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Instructions for using the interactive budgets

You will need Adobe Acrobat Reader to use these forms. If you do not have this program installed on your computer, you can download a free version [here](#).

You can make changes to the interactive PDF budget files for this publication by inputting your own prices and quantities in the green-outlined cells for any item. You will need to click on and add your own estimated price and quantity information to all of the green-outlined cells to complete your customized budget.

The cells outlined in red automatically calculate your revised totals based on the changes you made to the cells outlined in green.

When you are finished, you can print the budget using the green **Print Form** button at the bottom of the form.

You can use the red **Clear Form** button to clear all the information from your budget when you are finished.

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Table 9-1. Land preparation budget tree fruit, Pennsylvania, 2021. Summary of estimated costs per acre.

Item	Unit	Quantity	Your Quantity	Price	Your Price	Amount	Calculated Estimate
VARIABLE COSTS							
Lime	ton	2	_____	\$18.00	_____	\$36.00	_____
Fertilizer ammendments							
N	pound	40	_____	\$0.63	_____	\$25.20	_____
K	pound	75	_____	\$0.25	_____	\$18.75	_____
Labor, seasonal (Hourly)	hour	15	_____	\$15.00	_____	\$225.00	_____
Labor, operator	hour	2.9	_____	\$18.00	_____	\$52.20	_____
Hard fescue seed	pound	30	_____	\$2.40	_____	\$72.00	_____
Diesel fuel	gallon	10.7	_____	\$3.05	_____	\$32.64	_____
Other							
Repairs and maintenance							
Tractors	acre	1	_____	\$9.62	_____	\$9.62	_____
Equipment	acre	1	_____	\$13.39	_____	\$13.39	_____
Additional expenses							
Additional expenses	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
interest on operating capital	acre	1	_____	\$11.26	_____	\$11.26	_____
Total variable costs						\$496.06	_____
FIXED COSTS							
Tractors	acre	1	_____	\$21.63	_____	\$21.63	_____
Equipment	acre	1	_____	\$21.81	_____	\$21.81	_____
Additional expenses							
Land charge	acre	1	_____	\$200.00	_____	\$200.00	_____
Total fixed costs						\$243.44	_____
Total specified costs						\$739.50	_____

You should monitor local markets and contact suppliers to determine current prices for all items contained in this sample budget.

Use the Your Price and Your Quantity columns to enter your potential or actual figures. Budget estimates are based on data available in June 2021

Other Potential Costs	Per Acre	Your Calculations
Tree removal	\$750-2000	_____
Root and stump removal	\$600-1000	_____
Bulldozing, grading	\$500-1000	_____
Fumigation	\$1000-2000	_____
Rapeseed cover crop	\$100-150	_____
