

**Project User Fee Schedule**  
**Outlying Research and Demonstration Farms**

1. Crops (Agronomic)
  - \$62/acre/year including alleys, borders, etc.
  - Studies that result in a major yield, a major reduction in the saleable crop, or are very labor intensive will be charged \$110/acre/year. This would include organic studies.
  - Minimum fee for any study is \$125/year.
  - Grain and soil samples will require an additional fee per sample negotiated in advance.
  - All costs beyond “normal” operations will be charged to the project.
  - Normal is defined as typical tillage, cultivation, harvest and yield data collection.
  - Fees are assessed each year in July–August for projects in progress.
  - Crop destruction (no saleable crop) will be billed at 4X rate of \$250/acre/year.
  
2. Livestock
  - Small projects < 10 head                      \$250/trial
  - Medium projects 11–150 head                \$1,125/trial
  - Large projects > 150–999 head              \$2,375/trial
  - Extra Large projects > 1,000 head        \$6,125/trial
  - All costs beyond “normal” operations will be charged to the project.
  - Normal is defined as typical feeding, breeding, marketing, and weighing.
  - Fees are assessed annually during July–August for projects in progress and those completed in the prior year.
  
3. Crops (Horticultural)
  - Minimum fee \$125/year.
  - \$110/acre per year including alleys and borders.
  - All costs beyond “normal” operations will be charged to the project.
  - Normal is defined as typical tillage, cultivation, harvest, and yield data collection.
  - High Tunnel use is \$625/year.
  - Fees are assessed each year in July–August for projects in progress.
  
4. Forestry
  - \$125 minimum.
  - \$62/acre per year.
  - All costs beyond “normal” operations will be charged to the project.
  - Fees are assessed each year in July–August for projects in progress.
  
5. All Other Project Topics
  - Minimum fee is \$150/year.
  - Very large or very long-term studies will pay a negotiated fee.
  
6. Exclusions
  - Studies excluded from this User Fee Schedule are soil moisture survey, insect traps, weather stations, and demonstration plantings.

Waivers: Fee waivers are available in cases where funds are not available. A waiver form must be signed by the farm superintendent, coordinator of farms, and the project leader’s supervisor. In-kind payments may be accepted in lieu of dollar payments at the discretion of the farm superintendent.

All fees are on a per site/farm basis. All projects led by private companies are billed at 4X rate.