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# Kentucky FFA Agronomy CDE

## Rotation E: Fertilizer Problem

The following soil test and fertilizer cost sheet was provided by Southern States

Fertilizer & Cost on hand at Southern States

18-46-0 = \$435/ton  
 0-0-60 = \$325/ton  
 46-0-0 = \$345/ton  
 Pellet Lime = \$180/ton



1) Show all work for questions two through seven – chart is optional and only for your benefit. When calculating, utilize two decimals beyond the whole number. (20 points)

Fertilizer Ratios	Element lbs./ton	\$/ton	\$/lb	Lbs. of fertilizer/acre	Cost/acre
18-46-0	920 – P 360 – N	435	0.22	565.22	124.35
46-0-0	920 – N	345	0.17	0	0
0-0-60	1200 - K	325	0.16	191.67	30.67

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Phosphorus } 920/2000 &= 260/x; \\ 920x &= 520,000 \\ x &= 565.22 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 565.22 * .18 (\% \text{ Nitrogen present}) &= 101.74 \\ 20 (\text{Nitrogen needed for field}) - 101.74 &= -81.74 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Potassium } 1200/2000 &= 115/x \\ 1200x &= 230,000 \\ x &= 191.67 \end{aligned}$$

- How much total nitrogen was spread on the field? **8851.38 lbs** (5 points)
- If you could only afford half the cost of the required lime needed, how much would it cost for the entire field? **\$7,830** (5 points)
- What does DAP stand for? **Di-Ammonium Phosphate** (5 points)
- How many tons of Ammonia Nitrate was used on this field? **0 was used on the field** (5 points)
- How many total pounds per acre would be spread on the field (excluding lime and micronutrients)? **65,849.43 lbs.** (5 points)
- What is the total fertilizer cost for the field (excluding lime and micronutrients)? **\$13,486.74** (5 points)