

Cover Crops 101

by Rob Stout, Washington County, Iowa

April 17, 2012



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Cost to Seed Cover Crop Oats and Radish

2 bushel oats @ \$4.80/bu	\$ 9.60
5# Tillage Radish @ \$2.90/lb	\$14.50
Aerial Seeding @ \$17/acre	<u>\$17.00</u>
TOTAL COST PER ACRE	\$41.10

September 24, 2012

Seeded August 22, 2012



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October 1, 2012



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Cost to Seed Cover Crop Cereal Rye

1 ½ bu Rye @ \$15/bu	\$22.50
Aerial Seeding @ \$17/acre	<u>\$17.00</u>
TOTAL COST PER ACRE	\$39.50

October 29, 2012



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January 11, 2013



Corn Planter



Soybean planter Residue remover Yetter Sharktooth



Martin Residue Remover



June 1, 2011



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Benefit: Soil organic matter ↑

Soil erosion ↓

Soil tilth ↑

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