

*Ellis Ranch*

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*Trial*

FIELD NUTRIENT TRIAL 4-2

SOIL-VEGETATION SURVEY  
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Sprayed and seed broadcast 15 Nov 1968

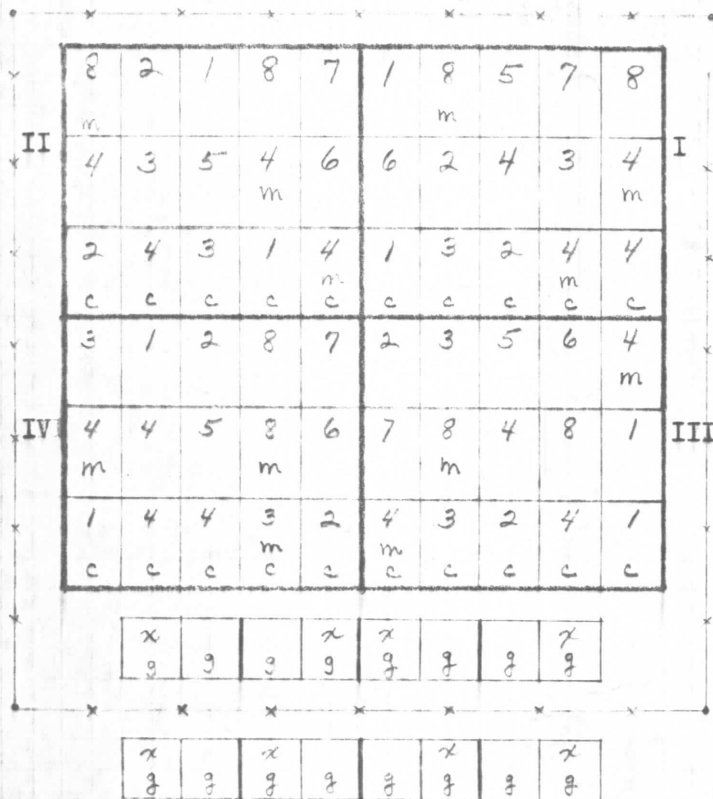
Plot fenced 20 Nov 1968

Fertilizer broadcast 27 Nov 1968

AUBURN soil series

Soil-Veg. plot 7, SW  $\frac{1}{4}$  Bangor  
Quadrangle (50B-3)

Butte County, George Ellis Ranch  
SE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of NE  $\frac{1}{4}$  of Section 7, T.17N., R.5E.  
Slope south 6%, Elevation 300 ft.  
4 mi. SW of Bangor, 500 feet N of  
LaPorte Road.



Fertilizer treatments

1. No fertilizer
2. S
3. P
4. PS
5. N
6. NS
7. NP
8. NPS

S = 100 lb/A of sulfur in 290 lb of gypsum and 50 lb of soil sulfur.

P = 100 lb/A of phosphorus in 435 lb high test sulfur-free treble super-phosphate (=230 lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>).

N = 150 lb/A of nitrogen in 445 lb of ammonium nitrate.

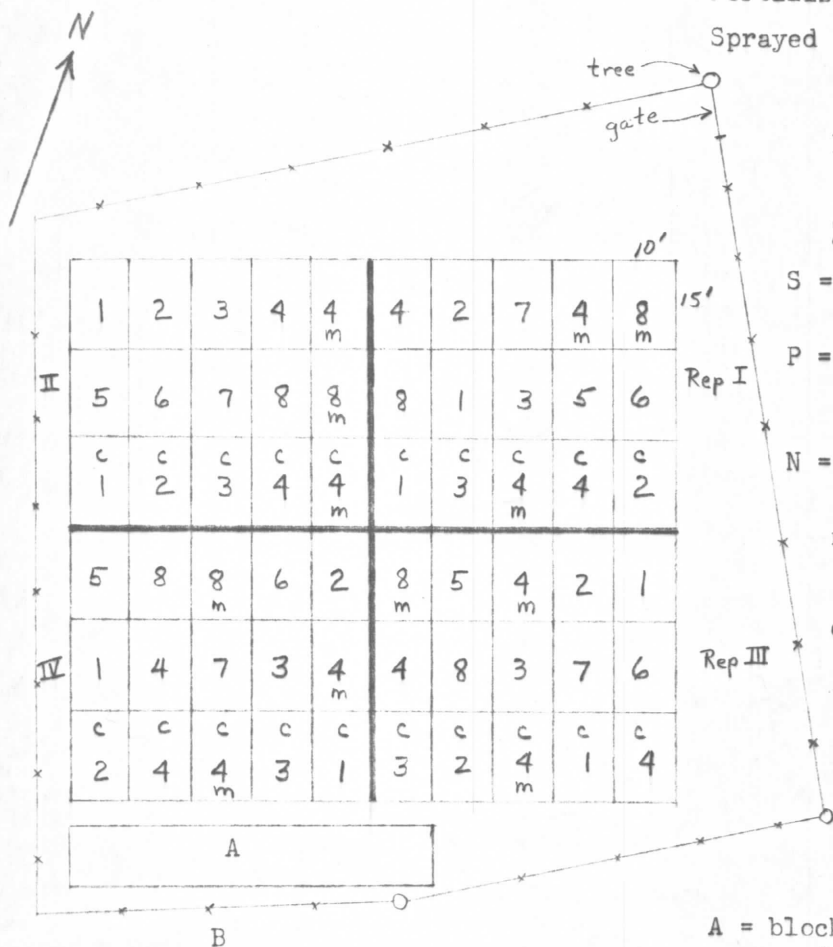
Seed and spray treatments

- x. Sprayed with paraquat at 1/3 lb/A (= 2/3 quart) in 75 gallons water with 1/2 pint X-77 surfactant.
- c. Sprayed with paraquat and seeded with 50 lb/A of the following legume seed mix:  
Mt. Barker, Woogenelup, Geraldton and Yarloop Sub clovers;  
Wilton rose clover, Cyprus barrel medic.
- g. Seeded with above legumes mix plus 5 lb/A each of hardinggrass and Palestine orchard grass.
- m. Micronutrients. These never were applied.

Note: Legumes were pellet-inoculated with appropriate strains of bacteria.

Field Nutrient Trial No. 4-1  
 State Coop. Soil-Vegetation Survey  
 SIERRA soil series  
 J. Maurice Gravier Ranch  
 1.8 mi NNE of Bangor, 250 yd W of Gravier house, 100 yd N of LaPorte Rd.  
 Quadrangle 50B-2  
 NE  $\frac{1}{4}$ , NE  $\frac{1}{4}$ , Section 22, T18N, R5E.  
 Elevation 1125 feet; Slope SSE 8%

Fertilizer applied 22 Nov 67  
 Sprayed and seeded 1 Dec 67



TREATMENTS

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|------------------|--------|
| 1. no fertilizer | 5. N   |
| 2. S             | 6. NS  |
| 3. P             | 7. NP  |
| 4. PS            | 8. NPS |

S = 100 lb/A of sulfur in gypsum and elemental sulfur

P = 100 lb/A of phosphorus (230 lb P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>) in TVA triple super phosphate

N = 150 lb/A of nitrogen in ammonium nitrate

m = micronutrient application

c = sprayed with paraquat ( $\frac{1}{2}$  lb/A) and seeded with subclover mixture (100 lb/A, pellet inoculated):

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|------------|-----|
| Mt. Barker | 25% |
| Woogenelup | 25% |
| Geraldton  | 25% |
| Yarloop    | 25% |

A = blocks sprayed with paraquat and seeded with 20 lb/A of mixture:

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|------------------------|-----|
| Hardinggrass           | 25% |
| Palestine orchardgrass | 15% |
| Mt. Barker sub         | 20% |
| Woogenelup sub         | 20% |
| Geraldton sub          | 10% |
| Wilton rose clover     | 10% |

B = area seeded as in A but not sprayed

All seed broadcast

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S-V Survey  
 Field Nutrient Trial 4-2  
 Sampled 25, 28 April 1969

<u>Fertilizer treatment</u>	<u>Herbage yield, lb/A oven-dry</u>
No fertilizer	2682 a
S	2562 a
P	3192 abc
PS	2832 ab
N	3942 bcd
NS	4212 cde
NP	4818 de
NPS	5220 e
No fertilizer w/clover	2268 a
S " "	1866 a
P " "	3030 a
PS " "	2988 a

The clover part of this experiment was not intended to be a species trial but was to determine whether a solid clover stand that was seeded would be any more useful than resident vegetation for indicating a yield response to fertilizer. The clover stand was not solid as noted below.

<u>Species on clover plots</u>	<u>Fertilizer</u>			
	<u>None</u>	<u>S</u>	<u>P</u>	<u>PS</u>
	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>	<u>%</u>
Rose clover	32	31	35	32
Sub clover	19	28	17	25
Grasses	15	11	16	15
Broadleaves	34	30	32	28

Oct 11  $\frac{3}{4} - 1\frac{1}{2}$ " favorable year  
 + warm Oct

Sierra Soil Series  
Soil-Vegetation Plot 4-1

Fertilizer	Oven dry yield 26 Apr 68		30 Apr 69
None	1290	a	1476
S	1338	a	1800
P	1770	ab	3054
PS	1506	ab	2352
N	2412	bc	1896
NS	2772	cd	2250
NP	3384	d	2568
NPS	3492	d	2460

w/clover	None	—	2676
	S	—	2424
	P	—	3696
	PS	—	3348