ACDS Decision
AGRICULTURAL CAPITAL DECISION STANDARD

ACDS-F-01

Equipment Investment Preparation

Gather the assumptions and evidence before opening the analyzer.

GUIDED DECISION

Estimated 3–5 minutes

Use supportable estimates; identify what needs proof.

FULL REVIEW

Estimated 20–30 minutes with records ready

Use current records, written quotes, and source dates.

01 DECISION BASIS

- ☐ Decision horizon, annual acres or workload, and required return
- ☐ Equipment type: self-propelled, pull-type, stationary, or passive
- ☐ Current equipment name, market value, remaining debt, and annual payment

02 CURRENT OPERATING COST

- ☐ Fuel or electricity, tractor power, labour, repairs, and insurance
- ☐ Effective acres per hour, annual hours, downtime, workable days, and daily hours

03 ALTERNATIVES

- ☐ Purchase quote: installed cost, trade allowance, cash down, rate, and amortization
- ☐ Lease quote: payments, timing, term, limits, and end-of-lease option
- ☐ Custom-operator quote: rate, inclusions, availability, delay, and completion time

04 EVIDENCE AND REVIEW

- ☐ Repair history, debt statement, written quotes, and resale comparisons
- ☐ Source date or reference for every material estimate
- ☐ Prepared-by, reviewer, decision conditions, and unresolved questions

QUESTIONS, SOURCES, OR MISSING RECORDS