MASTER THESIS

EFFECT OF SOURCE OF IRRIGATION WATER AND NITROGEN ON GROWTH OF MILLET Panicum miliaceum L. AND SOME SOIL PROPERTIES Hassan Hadi Mustafa

ABSTRACT

To study the effect of irrigation water source (Abu Ghraib and Dijla Dera'a rivers) and nitrogen fertilizer levels (80, 160 and 240 Kg N. ha⁻¹) as urea . Pots experiment in screen wood at Soil Science Department , College of Agriculture was conducted . A complete randomized design (CRD) was used with four replicates. (10 kg) of silty loam soil was put at each pot. Soil samples were taken for analysis . (80 Kg P.ha⁻¹) as calcium super phosphate and (60 Kg K. ha⁻¹) as potassium sulfate were added before sowing. (15 seeds) of millet (*Panicum miliaceum* L.) were planted , thinned to (10 plants) per pot after germination.

At maturity plants were harvested, dried, total dry matter weight, seed yield weight, straw and root weight, 1000 seeds weight, plant heights and concentration of N, P and K in seeds and plants were determined. Soil samples were taken for analysis. The results can be summarized as follow :

1- Using of Dijla Dera'a water in irrigation had a significantly effect in decreasing total dry matter weight, seeds weight, straw and root weight, 1000 seeds weight, plants hight concentration of N in straw and roots, K in straw and root and grains were (13.88,

14.72, 9.98, 22.64, 10.35, 8.66, 11.49, 13.22 and 11.11)% respectively.

- 2- A significant effect of nitrogen levels in increasing total dry matter weight, straw, root, grains weight, 1000 seeds weight, plants hight and concentration of N, P and K in straw and roots and grains. The interaction between quality of irrigation water and nitrogen levels showed a significant effect in increasing total dry matter weight, root, and plants hight, concentration of N and K in straw and root were (28.80, 48.97, 54.91, 89.47 and 93.10)% respectively.
- 3- Using Dijla Dera'a water in irrigation has a significant effect in increasing in ECe , Na^+ , $SO_4^=$, CI^- , HCO_3^- , ESP , SAR , CaCO₃ and the availability of P , Ca , Mg and B , where as significantly effected in decreasing pH , NO_3^- and NH_4^+ concentration in the soil .
- 4- Nitrogen levels have significant effect in decreasing ECe , pH , $SO_4^=$, Cl⁻ , HCO₃⁼ , the availability of P , K , Ca , Mg and B. Also it gave a significant increasing in Na⁺ , ESP , SAR , NO₃⁻ and NH₄⁺ concentration in the soil. Where as the interaction between quality of irrigation water and nitrogen levels showed a significant effect in concentration of Na⁺ , NO₃⁻ , P , Ca , Mg, B, ESP and SAR in the soil , also it significant effect in decreasing Cl⁻ and HCO₃⁻ in the soil , too .