

# Re: Electric Farm Tractors

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On Aug 1, 4:37 pm, Eeyore <rabbitsfriendsandrelati...@xxxxxxxxxxx>  
wrote:

bill wrote:

Eeyore wrote:

bill wrote:

4. it's  
possible to  
electrify  
fields right  
now

It's absurdly impractical.

well graham, that depends on the field. As  
applies to iowa  
unirrigated corn fiends, you are quite  
correct. as applies to  
california circle irrigated cropland, it would  
be a pretty small  
investment on top of the extant irrigation  
system. So.... Figure 20%  
of agricultural diesel could be replaced with  
electric, not a bad  
chunk to dig in 1 go.

Are you seriously suggesting that tractors drag a cable round  
the field behind  
them ?

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Circular irrigated fields have a very long wheeled arm on a swivel that already drives itself around the fields. running an electric cable along that arm and attaching it to a tractor would be an absolutely trivial addition, so yes, for certain applications, I am.

[http://www.cgstock.com/locations/new\\_richmond/6308](http://www.cgstock.com/locations/new_richmond/6308)

And what would be the point of having a tractor there ?

Graham

Plowing, seeding, fertilizing, harvesting, you know, all the usual things a tractor would be on a field for.

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