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 Projected recording budget for: **4 SONGS** at Limited Pressing Scale
 (Limited Pressing allows for the manufacturing of up to 10,000 copies before having to upgrade the musicians to Master Scale)

Producer: Producer Fees: ???

Musician: Names:	1 Session	Rate:	Scale: Limited Pr.	H&W	Pension
Drums		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
Bass		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
Ac guitar		Leader*	\$393.00	\$22.50	\$43.23
Keys		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
El guitar		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
Steel		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
Fiddle/Mando		Sideman	\$196.50	\$22.50	\$21.61
Harmony vocalist			\$400.00		
Total musician cost:					\$2,302.39

Cartage estimate: \$250.00

Studio time:	Hours:	Rate:	Total:
Description:			
Tracking at EMI	3.00	\$80.00	\$240.00
Vocals at EMI	4.00	\$80.00	\$320.00
BGVs at home studio	4.00	\$42.00	\$168.00
Editing at home studio	8.00	\$42.00	\$336.00
Mixing at home studio	8.00	\$42.00	\$336.00
Mastering at home studio	2.00	\$42.00	\$84.00
Total studio cost:			\$1,484.00

Incidentals:
 Piano tuning (optional) \$76.48
 2 hard drives 320GB \$200.00
Total incidentals: \$276.48

Total session cost: **\$4,312.87**

* Every tracking session has to have a designated "Leader". For this budget example, it is the acoustic player.

** Generally, with good planning, you can count on getting 4 songs in a three hour recording session. This budget is based on a 4 song project. For more songs, double or triple the figures for musician cost, and studio time. If you don't need a 7-piece band, subtract the musician cost for those players you feel you can live without.

*** I HIGHLY RECOMMEND that for your session, you use professional Nashville musicians. If you try to include amateur, or part-time players from back home, you will end up increasing the editing and mix time, and typically wind up with a less-than-professional sounding final product.

**** Musician rate scales change from time to time, so be aware that these figures may not be current. But, even with occasional increases, they won't be far off.

Please contact me, with any questions. And yes, there are some shortcuts that can be taken.

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