Advanced Challenge Level 2 Problem #1

Your job is to find the area (in acres) of the triangular plot of land shown below. You are able to accurately measure only two sides (shown as x and y) and one angle (shown as angle B). The distance represented by x is about 1,730 feet, and the distance represented by y is about 1,250 feet. The angle represented by B is about 39.7°. All dimensions are correct to three significant digits.

You have to do each of the following.

- 1. Derive a relationship that gives the area, A, in terms of x, y and angle B.
- 2. Use your relationship to estimate the area in square feet.
- 3. Convert your answer to acres.

Make sure you show/explain all aspects of your solution.

This diagram is not drawn to scale.

