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In this eNewsletter, we share links to two short videos and to some information about a new drought resilience tool. We also let you know about the inaugural Chief Executive Officer at Agricultural Innovation Australia.



### More profit from nitrogen

Hear from Lukas Van Zweiten in this [short video](#) as he gives a brief summary of this project recently completed in NSW.

The [final report](#) for this project is available on the SRA eLibrary.

Improved nutrient use efficiency through accounting for deep soil and mineralisable N supply, and deployment of Enhanced Efficiency Fertilisers to better match crop N demand was supported by funding from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment as part of its Rural R&D for Profit program, Sugar Research Australia, NSW DPI, Southern Cross University and Sunshine Sugar.

**Agricultural Innovation Australia (AIA) announces its inaugural Chief Executive Officer**

Mr Sam Brown has been appointed to lead the not-for-profit, public company established to facilitate joint investment and collaboration in cross-industry agricultural issues of national importance.

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## Australian CliMate app: helps identify potential climate risks

You can use the CliMate app to explore recent and past climate records for your location and get answers about rainfall, temperature and radiation; and derived variables such as heat sums, stored soil water and soil nitrate accumulation in fallows; as well as El Nino – Southern Oscillation status.

More information about the app is available on the Climate Kelpie website.

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Watch this [short video](#) that explains the ten tools currently available in the CliMate app.



This project is supported by funding from the Australian Government Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment as part of its Managing Climate Variability R&D program, Grains Research and Development Corporation, Cotton Research and Development Corporation, Sugar Research Australia, Australian Pork, Meat & Livestock Australia, Wine Australia and Agrifutures.

## Future Drought Fund releases new platform prototype

The Commonwealth Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment has advised that a new platform is now available for testing.

The Drought Resilience Self-Assessment Tool will provide accessible information and an online drought resilience assessment capability for primary producers.

The platform is in the prototype stage and is being tested in four pilot regions across Australia, including the Queensland Dry Tropics. Growers and advisers there can get involved in the testing and provide feedback.

If you are outside the dry tropics, you can still be involved in providing feedback, but the level of potential involvement is reduced.

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## New Manager Industry Communications and Marketing for SRA

Many in our industry would have had contact with Brad Pfeffer who was our Manager Industry Communications and Marketing. Brad has taken on a new role at Cotton Research and Development Corporation, where we wish him all the best. His replacement will be commencing in mid-August. In the meantime, our current Communications and Marketing Officer, [Allyson Starky](#) (0408 185 138) is the contact for all media and communications inquiries.

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