

# Keep it Clean – field vegetables

summary	Treating recycling water reduces pests and disease problems	
Common pests Common diseases	Diamond back moth, various aphids, thrips	
landholder/s	Tony Har	
enterprise	Small area vegetable farm in Sydney Basin	
 <p>Removing weeds and preventing their growth reduces the source of pests and disease problems in and around the growing areas.</p>		
 <p>Recycling and treating recycled water both saves money and reduces disease problems on the farm.</p>		<p><b>the project</b></p> <p>Intensive vegetable farming uses a high volume of water. To reduce water use, Tony, with the assistance of grant funding installed a water recycling system. He then reduced his water use and by also installing a disinfection filter he also reduced the chance of disease spread throughout his farm.</p> <p>To reduce his pest and disease problems further Tony maintains the farm as weed free as possible.</p>
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