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Irrigation Farm Water Use Efficiency Assessments - the benefits

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What is an IFWUEA?

An Irrigation Farm Water Use Efficiency Assessment (IFWUEA) is an assessment of the water losses and management performance of a whole farm irrigation system.

Why are they important?

IFWUEAs are important to identify the scope for improvement in irrigation performance and assess the potential water savings that may result from modernising on-farm infrastructure.

What will an IFWUEA give me?

The professional advice provided through the IFWUEA process will assist eligible irrigators to determine if efficiencies can be gained through modernising on-farm irrigation infrastructure.

IFWUEAs provide detailed information relating to:

- Current irrigation system performance including on-farm water losses
- Current irrigation management



Mark and Peter Winter found undertaking an IFWUEA a very useful process. Image: S. Bray



Pieter Mayne found the IFWUEA identified areas where he could improve efficiencies immediately. Image: J. Easey

Irrigator feedback

The IFWUEA highlighted some areas where we can make improvements and also helped with determining the costs and the most efficient way to go.

Peter Winter, Moree

The IFWUEA picked up some inefficiencies in my present system. It showed our distribution uniformity have been, so we were able to rectify that straight away.

Pieter Mayne, Bonshaw

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