

**GEMINI MOTEL, GRIFFITH
WEDNESDAY 6TH AUGUST 2008**

Theme:

Optimal Production from Minimal Water

9.00	Welcome	<i>Peter Draper, Chairman IREC</i>	5
9.05	Global economic and market trends	<i>Matt Clarke, CBA</i>	30
9.35	Grains markets – a brave new world	<i>Brett Stevenson, Market Check</i>	40
10.15	<i>Morning tea</i>		30
10.45	Making the most \$ from the water we have	<i>Bruce Simpson, Peppin Planners</i>	30
11.15	Biotechnologies for a changing climate – What is in the GM crop pipeline for irrigated cropping	<i>Dr Carl Ramage, DPI Vic</i>	30
11.45	GRDC – future research and development	<i>Southern Panel Member</i>	20

Concurrent sessions, 30 minutes – R = repeat

12.05	Reducing input costs – alternative sources for N & P <i>Tony Good, MS&A</i> R	New cereals for yield on irrigation • Focus on varieties and quality results <i>Andrew Milgate, NSW DPI</i>	Barley – is it the most irrigation efficient winter crop? <i>Neil Fettell, NSW DPI</i> R
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12.35 *Lunch break* 60

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1.35	Industrial Hemp <i>David Ward, Demand Farming</i>	Achieving 10 t/ha • Focus on management to achieve 10t/ha <i>John Lacy, NSW DPI</i>	Irrigated canola – breaking through the 5t/ha mark <i>Damian Jones, DPI Vic</i>
2.05	Fast watering for efficiency <i>Sam North, NSW DPI</i>	Barley – is it the most irrigation efficient winter crop? <i>Neil Fettell, NSW DPI</i> R	Reducing input costs – alternative sources for N & P <i>Tony Good, MS&A</i> R

2.35	Climate change and variability – the seasonal outlook	<i>Michael Cashen, NSW DPI</i>	30
3.05	Summing up and evaluation	<i>Matt McCarthy, consultant</i>	15
3.20	Closing	<i>Peter Draper, chairman IREC</i>	