



CRDC Grassroots Grants

2011-2012 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$90,000)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1201	Capacity Building via small projects for St George CGA members and community	Ed Willis	St George	30/06/13	\$10,000
CGA1202	Pushing the boundaries	Nigel Corish	Macintyre Valley	30/06/12	\$10,000
CGA1203	Biomass burner at Tandou	David McClure	Menindee & Lower Darling	30/06/12	\$10,000
CGA1204	Gwydir growers	Zara Farrell	Gwydir Valley	30/06/12	\$10,000
CGA1206	Macquarie welcome back	Sharanne Turnbull	Macquarie	28/02/12	\$10,000
CGA1207	Walgett Measurement tools	Lori Nemec	Walgett	31/12/11	\$10,000
CGA1208	Upskilling growers in chem use and nurture teens	Marie Louise Offner	Darling Downs	31/01/13	\$10,000
CGA1209	Engaging growers in My BMP	Marie Louise Offner	Darling Downs	30/06/13	\$10,000
CGA1210	Extension officer for Upper Namoi CGA and Agvance	Rod Smith	Upper Namoi	1/09/12	\$10,000
2012-2013 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$57,570)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1302	Macquarie Cotton Growers Momentum Continues	Claire Jenkins	Macquarie	31/05/13	\$9,400
CGA1303	Field to Fabric Course Sponsorship	Bron Christensen	Dawson Valley	30/06/13	\$6,600
CGA1304	Capacity Building at the Cotton Fibre Expo	Mel Elms	Lower Namoi	30/06/13	\$2,500
CGA1305	Irrigation History Book	Tracey Geddes	Central Highlands CG&IA	31/08/14	\$10,000
CGA1306	An Afternoon Of Cotton	Kieran O'Keefe	Lachlan Murrumbidgee	30/11/13	\$9,650
CGA1307	Travel: Presenting at APEN International Conference in NZ	Mike and Debbie Austin	Dawson Valley	28/09/13	\$3,870
CGA1308	Future Leaders Industry Excursion	Geoff Hunter	Lower Namoi & Walgett	30/06/14	\$15,550
2013-2014 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$61,650)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1404	Relationship building with high school for future industry workforce	Alex Roughley	Menindee and Lower Darling	31/12/14	\$10,000
CGA1402	Celebrating the Season	Claire Jenkins	Macquarie	31/12/13	\$3,000
CGA1403	Cotton Picking Women's Picnic	Chantal Corish	Macintyre Valley	30/06/14	\$10,000
CGA1405	Understanding soil and plant nutrition for cotton growers	Nigel Corish	Macintyre Valley	30/06/14	\$6,250
CGA1406	Cotton Communities Heath Empowerment	Kelly Foran	Dirranbandi	30/06/14	\$9,800
CGA1407	Great Northern Bus Tour	Claire Jenkins	Macquarie	30/06/14	\$6,100
CGA1408	Understanding the Weather	Geoff Hunter	Walgett	30/06/14	\$10,000
CGA1409	Grower Workplace H&S Capacity Building	Mary O'Brien	Darling Downs	30/09/14	\$6,500
2014-2015 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$74,560)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1501	Cotton Planter Development	Geoff Hunter	Lower Namoi	31/12/14	\$10,000
CGA1503	Weather Station project	Emma McCullough	Central Highlands CG&IA	7/05/15	\$10,000
CGA1502	Teachers Field to Fabric	Bron Christensen	Dawson Valley	24/09/14	\$2,200
CGA1505	Grower investigation of tools to manage soil compaction	Lou Gall	Gwydir Valley	30/06/15	\$10,000
CGA1506	Addressing the burning questions	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	30/06/15	\$12,900
CGA1508	Cotton nutrition workshop	Kate O'Callaghan	Southern Valleys	30/06/15	\$9,460
CGA1507	Education and development of the cotton industry	Emma Ayliffe	Menindee and Lower Darling	30/06/15	\$10,000
CGA1509	Weather station network & Darling Downs grower of the year field day	Mary O'Brien	Darling Downs	30/06/15	\$10,000
2015-16 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$91,600)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1601	In-field trials: dryland cotton vs sorghum on various row configurations	Jo Weier	Mungindi Water Users'	30/06/16	\$10,000
CGA1602	Gwydir Valley dryland planting date row configuration trial	Ben Dawson	Gwydir Valley	31/12/16	\$10,000
CGA1603	Optimised irrigation row configuration	Jake Cutcliffe	Gwydir Valley	30/06/16	\$10,000
CGA1604	Local weather dataaccess	Damien Erbacher	Dawson Valley	30/06/16	\$10,000
CGA1605	Binnia Valley Growers Group: In-field trials to address local barriers	Jon Welsh	Upper Namoi	30/01/17	\$10,000
CGA1606	Upgrade to weather station network and chemical application days	Chris Barry	Darling Downs	30/09/16	\$10,000
CGA1607	Irrigation scheduling training using canopy sensors	Geoff Hunter & Steve Madden	Lower Namoi	30/06/16	\$5,000
CGA1608	Strengthening CGA policy and procedures	Emma McCullagh	Central Highlands CG&IA	30/06/16	\$10,000
CGA1609	Seasonal benchmarking with canopy temperature sensors	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	1/08/15	\$6,400
CGA1611	Weigh trailer for Southern NSW cotton trials	Kate O'Callaghan	Southern Valleys	30/06/16	\$10,000
CGA1610	Stickybeak farm tour	Bronwyn Christensen	Dawson Valley	29/02/16	\$200
2016-17 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$85,000)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1701	Weather station project	Brent Scott	Dirranbandi	31/10/16	\$10,000
CGA1702	In-field trials: dryland cotton vs sorghum on various row configurations	Jo Weier	Mungindi Water Users'	30/06/17	\$10,000
CGA1703	Capital Item: Planter bar and trailer	Ian Gouley	Dryland Cotton Research Assoc.	30/06/17	\$20,000
CGA1704	Weather station access to minimise the spray drift in the Macquarie	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	1/05/17	\$9,000
CGA1705	Weather station project	Jack Harris	Walgett	31/05/17	\$10,000
CGA1706	Counteract high sodium uptake & N efficiency via soil health	Craig Estens	Gwydir Valley	1/05/17	\$10,000
CGA1707	Assessing the benefits: transitioning to controlled traffic for compaction	Emma Ayliffe	Southern Valleys	30/06/17	\$6,000
CGA1708	Upgrade to Darling Downs weather station network	Adam McVeigh	Darling Downs	1/09/17	\$10,000
2017-18 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$82,232)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1801	Weather stations network	Jeff Hamblin	Lower Namoi	30/06/18	\$8,000
CGA1802	In-field trials: dryland cotton vs sorghum on various row configurations	Joanna Weier	Mungindi Water Users'	30/06/18	\$10,000
CGA1803	Implementing innovative irrigation - Central QLD style	Aaron Kiely	Central Highlands CG&IA	9/11/17	\$2,716
CGA1804	Implementing innovative irrigation and 2018 sticky beak tour	Simon Green	Dawson Valley	30/01/18	\$3,500
CGA1805	Spreader Workshop	Andrew Watson	Upper Namoi	30/06/18	\$7,800
CGA1806	Silverleaf whitefly and mealybug meetings	Janelle Montgomery	Gwydir Valley	1/03/18	\$20,000
CGA1807	Grower development and extension programs	Emma Ayliffe	Southern Valleys	28/02/18	\$10,000
CGA1808	Local weather data access	Bron Christensen	Dawson Valley	30/03/18	\$6,000
CGA1809	Weather station network and upgrades	Cate Wild	Macintyre Valley	24/06/18	\$7,496
CGA1810	Improving skills and capacity of Darling Downs growers	Adam McVeigh	Darling Downs	30/06/18	\$6,720
2018-19 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$93,755)					
Reference	Project Title	Contact	CGA	Completion Date	Amount
CGA1901	Investigating efficiency and productivity of on-farm irrigation water use	Alexandra Dalton	Upper Namoi	29/03/19	\$5,000
CGA1902	Field assessment of the impact of late season thrip infestations	Lou Gall	Gwydir Valley	31/05/19	\$10,000
CGA1903	Grower development and extension: off-target spray drift mitigation	John Durham	Southern Valleys	30/09/19	\$10,000
CGA1904	Assessing black root rot treatments in the Lachlan & Murrumbidgee	John Durham	Southern Valleys	31/08/19	\$8,800
CGA1905	Development tour for Northern Australian cotton	Andrew Phillip	NT Farmers Association	3/03/19	\$10,000

CGA1906	Weather station network	Aaron Kiely	Central Highlands CG&IA	1/06/19	\$10,000
CGA1907	Improving drought resilience	Bernie Bierhoff	Walgett	30/04/19	\$10,000
CGA1908	Improving skills and capacity of growers	Georgie Krieg	Darling Downs	30/06/19	\$7,220
CGA1909	Spray drift workshops	Richard Avendano	Upper Namoi	11/12/18	\$10,000
CGA1910	On-farm evaluation of the IoT technologies	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	15/06/19	\$11,735
CGA1911	Additional Support - Fullbright Scholarship to study Verticillium wilt	Karen Kirkby & Jeff Hamblin	Lower Namoi	30/06/20	\$10,000
<b>2019-20 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$44,990)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CGA2001	Weather stations	Jeff Hamblin	Lower Namoi	30/06/20	\$5,980
CGA2002	On-farm evaluation of pumping telemetry	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	30/06/20	\$7,000
CGA2003	Climate change: Planting times, pests and spray drift	Alex Macintosh	Walgett	30/06/20	\$6,000
CGA2004	Demonstration farm of IoT and LoRaWAN technology	Andrew McKay	St George	15/06/20	\$6,600
CGA2005	Fostering crop RD&E collaboration and leadership in Northern Aust	Debra Pearce	Northern Australia Crop Alliance	30/04/20	\$10,000
CGA2006	Impact of last irrigations on profit and quality in the MIA region	Emma Ayliffe	Southern Valleys	30/08/20	\$9,410
<b>2020-21 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$56,100)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CGA2101	NT industry development - Northern crop production growers guide	Simone Cameron	NT Farmers Association	12/12/21	\$10,000
CGA2102	Digitally enabled cotton farms	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	30/06/22	\$8,100
CGA2103	Digitally ready cotton farmers	Iva Quarisa	Southern Valleys	31/05/21	\$10,000
CGA2104	Central Highlands tour of St George agriculture	Aaron Kiely	Central Highlands CG&IA	30/06/21	\$8,500
CGA2105	Ord & Northern Territory crop development tour	Hollie Gall	Macintyre Valley	30/06/22	\$10,000
CGA2106	Increasing cotton grower skills, and awareness	Georgie Krieg	Darling Downs	31/12/21	\$9,500
<b>2021-22 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$39,590)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CGA2201	Weather station: Cuttabri	Jeff Hamblin	Lower Namoi	30/06/22	\$2,990
CGA2202	Reducing nitrogen losses early season	Peter Birch	Gwydir Valley	30/06/22	\$10,000
CGA2203	The connectivity challenge	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie	1/12/22	\$10,000
CGA2204	Coleambally community demo farm: soil health	James Kanaley	Southern Valleys	1/12/22	\$9,600
CGA2205	Central Highlands weather station network	Danni Ingram	Central Highlands CG&IA	30/04/22	\$7,000
<b>2022-23 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$13,300)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
NUAG 10440	Young Cotton Grower Tour	Jacob Thuijs	Nutrien Ag	2/03/23	\$3,300
FNQS 10534	FNQ Sustainable Cropping Group grower study tour	Sarah Stevens	FNQ Sustainable Cropping Inc	30/06/23	\$10,000
<b>2023-24 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$36,538)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CHCGIA 11070	Central Highlands weather network	Alexandria Galea	Central Highlands CG&IA	30/11/24	\$8,513
MACC 10598	Growers sharing experiences on irrigation hard setting red soils to maximise productivity and profitability	Amanda Thomas	Macquarie CGA	30/06/24	\$10,000
CI 10863	Travel to Irricom and CSD field day February 2024	Kieran O'Keeffe	Southern Valleys	30/06/24	\$8,025
DDGCI 11031	DDGCI Weather station upgrade	Daniel Skerman	Darling Downs	30/06/24	\$10,000
<b>2024-25 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$23,352)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
CHCGIA 11495	Grower group tour of NT	Robyn Lehmann	Central Highlands CG&IA	30/06/25	\$10,000
MACC 11546	Grower development and extension: Macquarie growers tour to Dirranbandi	Alexandra Dalton	Macquarie CGA	31/03/25	\$6,300
DDGCI 11657	Darling Downs weather station upgrade	Daniel Skerman	Darling Downs	31/12/25	\$6,200
CI 10863	Travel to Irricom and CSD field day February 2024	Kieran O'Keeffe	Southern Valleys	31/12/24	\$852
<b>2025-26 Grassroots Grants (TOTAL \$40,000)</b>					
<b>Reference</b>	<b>Project Title</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>CGA</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>
UNCGA 12215	Camp Cotton: Grower networking lunch and transport - an opportunity for the local cotton community to meet with global and Australian customers	Janelle Montgomery	Upper Namoi	10/04/26	\$10,000
LNCGA 12135	Camp Cotton: Grower networking lunch and transport - an opportunity for the local cotton community to meet with global and Australian customers	Janelle Montgomery	Lower Namoi	10/04/26	\$20,000
CHCGIA 12585	Central Highlands irrigated cropping tour (Making the most of our water)	Janelle Montgomery	Central Highlands	30/06/26	\$10,000
				<b>Total:</b>	<b>Projects</b>
					<b>Investment</b>
					<b>\$890,237.00</b>