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Ecosystem Service Payments

Wednesday 22 June: 14:05 – 15:00 (55 min)
Biodiversity is challenging

- 50% % farms actively encouraging natural regeneration
- 23% % farms undertaking revegetation
- 21% Cotton farms with a cover of remnant vegetation
Aim: To identify priority areas and management practices for threatened and iconic species restoration within cotton-growing environments.

Biodiversity Mapping
Our Biodiversity Work

The Cotton Landcare Tech-Innovations project is delivering outcomes and tools to help improve on-farm biodiversity.

- **Biodiversity**
  - Biodiversity management guidelines for cotton catchments

- **Innovation**
  - Innovation for cotton landscape revegetation (drones & tractors)

- **Technology**
  - Technology for acoustic monitoring on cotton farms (birds & microbats)

- **Collaboration**
  - Collaboration for a legacy of Australian cotton biodiversity action
In October 2020 The Biodiversity Project was launched to regenerate Australian cotton farmlands.
Project 1: The Kahl’s

- 3000 seedlings planted
- Drone plantings
- Over 12.5 hectares.
- Riparian zone fenced
- Bore installed to remove the need for stock to access the river.
Project 2: The Watson’s

3.7 kilometres of tree lines have been planted along the Namoi River at the family's property.
Then came the rains
Thank you

PS: River Red Gum trees like this can live to well over 100 years old.
Thank you