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## **UTAS Farm Open Day highlights water and soil management**

An Open Day at the UTAS Cambridge Farm tomorrow (**Friday 12 September**) will launch a new irrigation system and demonstrate a number of research projects being undertaken on the farm.

Dr Peter Lane, Head of the UTAS School of Agricultural Science, said financial support from the Commonwealth Government through its Community Water Grants program had partly funded a centre pivot irrigation system for the farm.

“The irrigation system will enable the demonstration of effective soil water management under irrigation, and sustainable farming systems to the wider agricultural community,” Dr Lane said.

Dr Lane said the availability of the irrigation system would help monitor the benefits and impacts of using recycled water from the Clarence Recycled Water Scheme, which is proving to be a valuable source of water for the district.

The Honourable Dick Adams, Federal Member for Lyons, will officially launch the project at the Open Day tomorrow.

The local farming community and agribusiness are invited to join Federal, State and Local Government representatives at the event.

**What:** UTAS Cambridge Farm Open Day

**Who:** Head of the UTAS School of Agricultural Science Dr Peter Lane  
Honourable Dick Adams, Federal Member for Lyons.

**When:** Friday 12 September from 2pm-4pm

**Where:** Cambridge Farm, 701 Richmond Road, Cambridge

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