



Australian Government
**Cotton Research and
Development Corporation**

TRAVEL & CONFERENCE REPORT

Part 1 - Summary Details

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CRDC Project Number: CRDC1205

Project Title: CSIRO Field to Fibre : Geelong

Project Commencement Date: 23/08/2011 Project Completion Date: 25/08/2011

Select Research Program (from CRDC Strategic R&D Plan 2008-2013):- Please Select One -

Part 2 – Contact Details

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Part 3 – Travel Report

(Maximum two pages)

1. A brief description of the purpose of the travel.

To attend the CSIRO Field to Fabric Course in Geelong

2. What were the:

- a) **major findings and outcomes** The major findings and outcomes for me was the understanding of the entire cotton pipeline from variety selection through to textile quality assurance and how each segment of the industry operates and relates to one another
- b) **other highlights** Meeting other participants from other areas of the cotton pipeline such as manufacturers, ginners and marketers

3. Detail the persons and institutions visited, giving full title, position details, location, duration of visit and purpose of visit to these people/places. (NB:- Please provide full names of institutions, not just acronyms.) Refer attached (Cotton Field to Fibre Programme)

- 4. a) **Are there any potential areas worth following up as a result of the travel?** N/A
- b) **Any relevance or possible impact on the Australian Cotton Industry?** As a cotton grower, I feel this would have a great impact on the grass roots cotton grower. I would recommend encouraging other cotton growers such as myself to attend.

5. How do you intend to share the knowledge you have gained with other people in the cotton industry? By attending the course, I now feel more confident to impart my knowledge to others interested in the cotton industry. Through my employment with Senator Barnaby Joyce (Shadow Minister for Regional Development, Local Government and Water), I often speak to constituents concerned with the above portfolio particularly the Murray Darling Basin and water. Cotton is inevitable brought up in the conversation more often than not. I am now armed with further information that I have obtained from the Field to Fabric course which will enable me to impart this to those people.