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Part 1 - Summary Details

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Part 2 – Capital Item Final Report

1. Background

The QAAFI Cotton/Weed research team undertook to purchase a small tractor and trailer to assist with spraying and minor tillage operations associated with field trials. Previously the project relied on farm staff for transporting and spraying of field trails on research farms and growers properties. This often coincided with other farm staff operations, which made it difficult to co-ordinate for timeliness of operations.

Having our own equipment will allow us to run field trials more efficiently and effectively, particularly where a number of spraying applications need to occur (eg. double knock – second knock timing trials).

2. Results.

Originally the New Holland tractor was chosen, however due to the extended timeframe in the purchase and procurement process there were no more of the desired models available. Therefore, another round of quotes was obtained, and the Case Farmall 20B was selected. Another quote was issued for the trailer, and due to a price rise in steel the trailer price was also more expensive.

As a result, all CRDC supplied funds were used to obtain the trailer and the majority of the tractor, with UQ funding an additional \$3638.

3. Conclusion

A Case Farmall 20B tractor and trailer has been purchased. This will provide great assistance to conduct timely operations for our field trials.

Part 3 – Capital Item Final Report Executive Summary

The QAAFI Cotton/Weed research team has purchased a Case Farmall 20B tractor and a trailer to assist with spraying and minor tillage operations for field trials. We look forward to using this equipment in the field.

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