

Agronomic package for Burdekin cotton production

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During the last 5 years we have been researching the feasibility of cotton production in the Burdekin region of north Queensland. This research suggests that good yields of high quality cotton can be grown provided that agronomy is tailored to suit local climatic conditions.

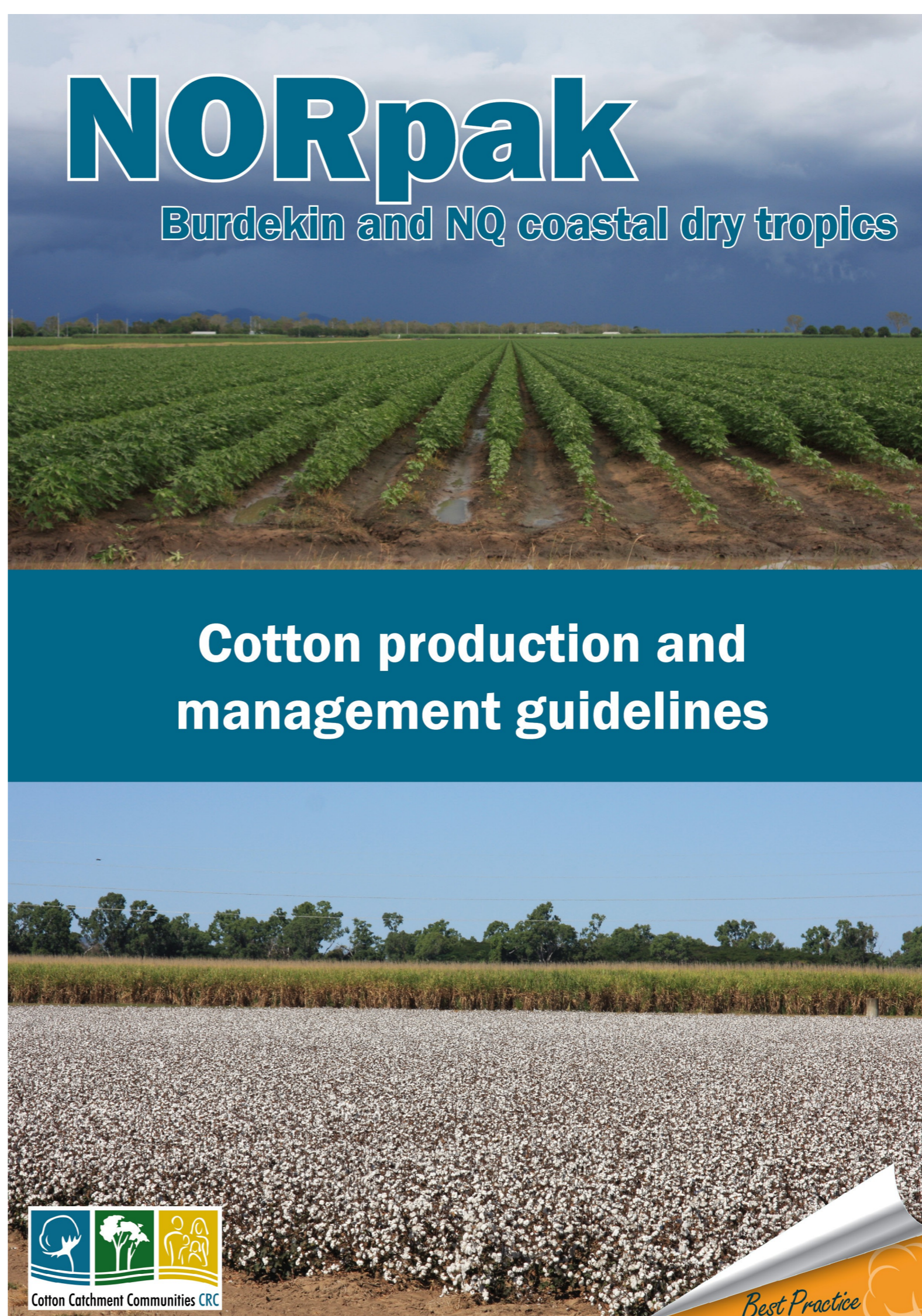
The results from this research as well as local knowledge and experience (much of it hard won by local pioneering growers who have been testing cotton since 2004) has been captured in a new production guide that was released in July.

This book details agronomic tactics to increase the success of cotton production in a region that can have climatic challenges with too much rain and cloudy weather. NORpak proposes a unique mix of production practices and is a significant step towards establishing cotton as a potential high value crop rotation option in the Burdekin sugarcane farming system.

Some of the tactics discussed could provide food for thought for other cotton production regions, particularly during La Niña-dominated seasons.



Cotton being grown as a rotation crop with sugar cane.



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