



# Area Based royalty

## Background

Over the years triticale development has been well serviced by a number of groups, namely the University of Sydney, Camden, NSW, the University of New England, Armidale, NSW and the Waite Institute, Adelaide, South Australia. These groups have provided the major breeding efforts that have given growers:

- High yield in grazing biomass
- High grain yield
- Superior quality grain
- Robust disease resistance, and
- Improved ease of threshing and grain cleaning.

The move away from publicly supported triticale breeding and development has left growers with the responsibility of supporting the cost of running the programs directly.

There is a need to be pro active in generating sufficient funds to maintain a strong, viable and relevant breeding and development program—the responsibility of each and every grower.

## The future

The way forward is a nationally coordinated triticale breeding program supported, in part, by the Grains Research and Development Corporation. The program will be managed as modules focusing on either grain or grazing, with a combined attack on disease resistance. It will be industries responsibility to support the improvement of grain quality and promote the benefits triticale can provide in dairy and meat production.

## Area Based Royalty

Triticale is grown for both grazing and grain production, and much of the grain produced is used on-farm or traded privately for livestock feed. The traditional End Point Royalty based on grain sales (\$/t) is not suited to triticale as contributions would be unequally distributed across the grains industry. For this reason, Waratah Seed Co Ltd has developed an AREA BASED ROYALTY as an alternative, based on a rate per hectare sown.

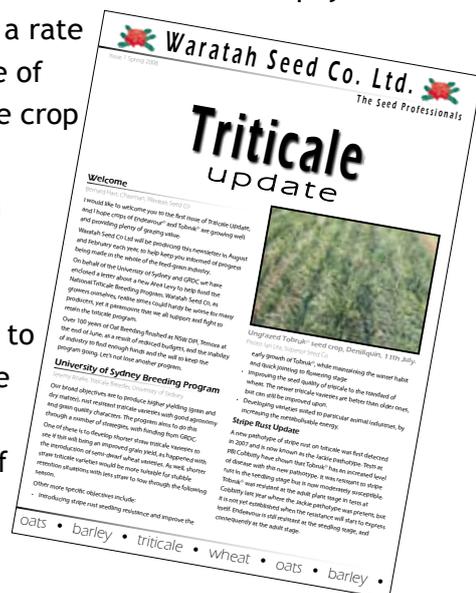
The aim is to share the cost uniformly across producers, and between grazing and grain—all with a single collection system.

## How the Area Based Royalty Works

Initially, Waratah Seed Co Ltd is trialing the Area Based Royalty (ABR) with it's two recently released triticale varieties—Tobruk<sup>®</sup> and Endeavour<sup>®</sup>.

For example, a grower sowing Tobruk<sup>®</sup> will enter into an agreement with Waratah Seed Co Ltd to pay an ABR after planting at a rate of \$7/ha, irrespective of crop yield or what the crop is used for.

Twice a year Waratah Seed Co Ltd will distribute Triticale Update, a newsletter to all growers paying the ABR to assist them to realise the benefits of growing triticale.



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