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ASX ANNOUNCEMENT

COMPANY UP DATE

The company announces the installation of a new Valley lateral irrigator at Hirschbrooke.

The irrigator will enhance the performance of Hirschbrooke by allowing the efficient watering of 80% of the cultivatable land on the property. It will provide significant flexibility in the management of the farm and allow us to plan continuous weekly production from the property for up to 9 months of the year, which is designed to ensure at each occasion when the market is at its peak we will be selling product at those prices.



The new Valley irrigator operating at Hirschbrooke, irrigating the latest broccoli planting. March 2018

Not only does the lateral irrigator enable us to increase our irrigated area by up to 25% (over traditional pivots) the irrigator has the capacity to fully swing on its access which will allow us to irrigate any part of the block on an 8 hour cycle, thus greatly improving our capacity to manage crops in times of weather stress.



The Hirschbrooke Irrigator was the highlight of a recent open day of new farming innovations at Jondaryan

The sprinklers installed on the irrigator are the latest specifications from the US and are designed to imitate soft rain. This is crucial in vegetable production, particularly in the early weeks of growth when large heavy water droplets can damage vegetable crops. The sprinkler heads are designed to ensure no water is sprayed on the frame of the irrigator as water tends to coalesce on the frame and thereafter fall as large droplets which again damages vegetables.

The irrigator has the latest electronic and remote access control systems which are controlled from newly developed Aps on smart phones.



**Preparing Hirschbrooke by the company's joint venture partner Qualipac Agriculture for broccoli planting
March 2018**

The irrigator is intended by the company to improve profitability of the project and the company over time.

The company is continuing to seek further working capital in the immediate future.

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