



Using the On Farm Connectivity Program to increase on farm security

Grain, sheep and livestock farmers like Martin Honner are benefitting from the Australian Government's On Farm Connectivity Program which is providing up to 50% off eligible connected machinery and sensor technology to boost productivity, improve safety and drive more sustainable farming practices.

Martin is a grain, sheep and livestock farmer in the Riverina region of New South Wales. He considered purchasing cameras for farm security monitoring after his property was impacted by a surge of criminal activity in the area. Conscious of the cost, Martin had the camera system on his wish list until he was made aware of the On Farm Connectivity Program. The Program meant that Martin was able to take advantage of a rebate to enable him to purchase the equipment for his property.

The equipment provides Martin with peace of mind that his property is not being accessed by trespassers, and in the event it is, the equipment provides evidence for Martin to follow up with authorities. Additionally, Martin is able to monitor farming practices being carried out, ensuring the safety of his staff.

Martin appreciated the assistance he received from the supplier to find the right equipment.

"The technical advice we received was great and the supplier provided a lot of support," he said.

The Program has been a valuable initiative for farmers, reducing the financial barriers to improving connectivity across farms. The On Farm Connectivity Program is set to benefit more farmers, with a third round due to open later in 2025.

