



# Alice Springs Region Grazing Systems in Central Australia

Investigating rotational grazing systems to improve land condition and profitability through incorporating periods of pasture rest.

## Mt Riddock Station

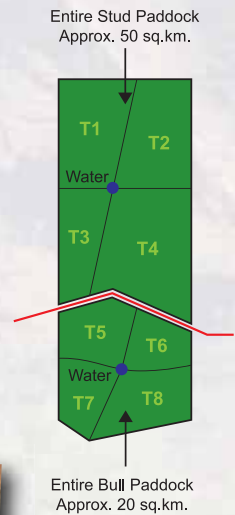
Eight paddock rotation system

### The strategy

- Move cattle approximately every 3-4 weeks through all eight paddocks, based on availability of feed.

### Aims

- Optimise productivity through improved pasture management
- Reduce buffel grass dominance in pastures
- Improve quality of cattle diet.



## Old Man Plains Research Station

Four paddock rotation system

### The strategy

- Spelling annual pastures during the summer growing season
- Spelling harder country every winter and second summer growing season
- Timing of rotation will provide opportunity to undertake improved practices, eg controlled mating.

### Aims

#### Increase profitability through:

- Maintaining or improving land condition
- Improving quality of cattle diet
- Decreasing overheads by reducing infrastructure maintenance
- Sustaining productivity in a variable climate

