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## Wheatbelt Tree Cropping

### The Triple Bottom Line Benefits

#### Economic:

- Extra income source for farmers from the sale of tree crop products.
- Improved returns from traditional agricultural products (eg. increased production from shelter for livestock and crops).
- Diversification of farm commodities and income streams.
- Reduced public cost in addressing natural resource management issues (eg. salinity and water quality).

#### Environmental:

- Reduction of ground water recharge through establishing profitable perennial vegetation.
- Salinity mitigation from appropriately sited plantations, alleys or belts of commercial trees.
- Improved catchment water quality through nutrient stripping and salinity mitigation.
- Habitat restoration and biodiversity enhancement.
- Improved soil management (wind and water erosion).
- Waste water management.
- Carbon sequestration.
- Reduced impact of flooding in certain catchments.

#### Social:

- Increased employment opportunities in rural areas.
- Development of new infrastructure and processing facilities stimulating regional business growth.
- Leveraging of external investment into rural communities.