

# precision agriculture feature

## PA upgrades ideal for growers

Case IH has enhanced its precision ag offering, with software upgrades to the AFS Pro 600 Colour Screen, making it ideal for use in a range of cotton applications. Ideal for guidance, implement control, tractor and picker performance management, the software upgrades take the AFS Pro 600 to new levels of performance in field.

The AFS Pro 600, which is available as a factory fit on the Puma, Steiger and Magnum range of tractors, provides precise guidance information and records settings

on headland turn operations to simplifying seeding.

“Given that things are finally looking up in the cotton industry, the software upgrades come at an important time with growers keen to make the most of the season ahead,” said Guisepppe Cuteri, Brand Manager Advanced Farming Systems.

Designed with simplicity and ease of use in mind, the software enhancements include paddock recognition software, boundary and obstacle recording capabilities, and applied rate logging to record flow and seeding rates when in use.

“The paddock recognition software, which records and stores information for each individual paddock, ensures data on each particular field is automatically retrieved, saving time during the busy sowing season,” explained Guisepppe.

“Many other systems require the operator to manually select the paddock, but if the wrong paddock is selected this can result in crop damage or yield loss,” he said.

The inclusion of boundary and obstacle recording software is of further benefit to cotton growers. “The software captures data on the various obstacles in each field from culverts to head ditches and once the information is stored, if the equipment comes within a 50-metre radius of that particular obstacle, an alarm is triggered to alert the operator. The end result is reduced operator error, while protecting equipment from damage.”

Using the system to record flow and seeding rates, operators can undergo variable rate seeding as required. “Because operators can change seeding rates on the go, they have more control over the entire operation.”

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