

## **Dr Simon Speirs – NSW DPI**

Dr Simon Speirs graduated from the University of Sydney with a B.Sc.Agr (2000) and with a PhD (2006) after researching the impacts of irrigation water quality on the structure of vertosols. Dr Speirs contributed to evaluations of the cotton industry's BMP program.

After joining Industry & Investment NSW (2006), he was a contributor to research and extension in central NSW addressing precision agriculture and subsoil constraints. Dr Speirs has led a number of initiatives developing and delivering extension resources for grain growers and graziers. In 2009 Dr Speirs was appointed to lead the "Making Better Fertiliser Decisions for Cropping Systems in Australia" project.