



# RED Grants

## White Asparagus Production in the Gascoyne

MT Boston Pty Ltd (Ozparagus)

Completed February 2024

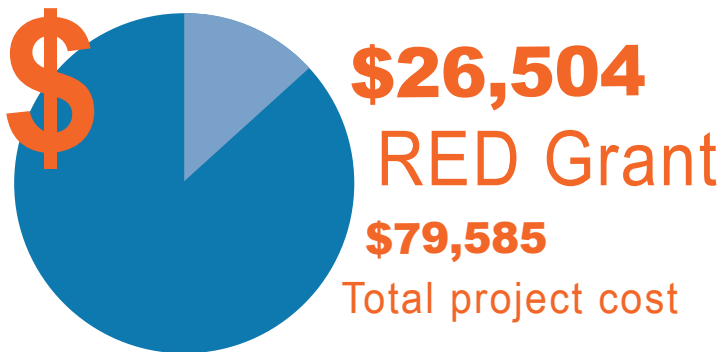


The project supported the production and harvest of white asparagus in Carnarvon.

The year long trial involved the construction of specialised growing domes to allow the asparagus to grow in 99% darkness, extending the growing season for this new market opportunity from 8 months to year-round production.

**3** new jobs created  
(1 full time position and 2 part time positions)

**6** short term jobs created



**384** domes constructed

**4,514** kgs of white asparagus produced (Jan 2023 – Jan 2024)



*“We created the work which would not normally be viable with green (asparagus)... Research and Development is how we got here and with applying for the (RED) grant and all the help we received, we will continue to grow the business.”*

Markham Boston, Ozparagus

Extended the typical 8-month growing season of green asparagus to **year-round white asparagus production.**

Employed agriculture workers out of the traditional growing season, **increasing use of accommodation and services** in Carnarvon during the low season.

