

# Why CIDR'S?

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CIDR's greatly increase the number of stock getting pregnant each year as it increased the estrous produced and starts ovulation which increases the chance of pregnancy [1]. CIDR'S are also very useful for bringing stock to cycle at the same time so that a large number of cows will give birth around a set date. This means less late or early cows which is more efficient for the farmer [2] and ensures that the cow can be mated successfully improving breeding value [3]. CIDR'S are also good for financial returns as it means calving dates can be selected as earlier which means the farmer can have a longer milking season bringing more profit [4]. As the pros heavily out weight the cons, this makes CIDR'S a good option for dairy farmers than other reproductive practices. For example, CIDR'S are better than inducing as the calf is able to be kept and still have a relatively early calving date.