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Advanced Chemical Spray Application Training

Where and when:

Location: Cowra Golf Club, Cowra NSW

Workshop: Tues 12 September, 9am - 4.30pm

Workplace visits: 13 -15 September (negotiated at the workshop)

The reason:

In 2016 and 2017, even with APVMA regulatory adjustments to labels, there has been a totally unacceptable level of crop damage especially in cotton and grape growing regions throughout Australia. As cotton crops spread throughout NSW, more broadacre farmers are being challenged to manage spray application processes that do not impact on crops grown within their region.

The solution:

Craig Day, of Spray Safe and Save Pty Ltd, will be delivering a chemical user training workshop at COWRA on Tuesday 12 September 2017 with workplace visits on the following days.

Advanced Spray Application training consists of two parts:

- one day workshop – 9am to 4.30pm
- workplace visit

Units delivered:

- AHCCHM303 Prepare and apply chemicals
- AHCCHM304 Transport and store chemicals
- AHCWRK302 Monitor weather conditions
- AHCMOM315 Operate chemical application machinery and equipment



The **workshop** will cover:

- weather
- drift reduction
- strategies and technologies
- how to recognise and avoid inversions
- chemical label requirements
- record keeping including spray plans
- PPE and OHS
- practical strategies for mixing and applying chemical
- practical demonstrations using a variety of nozzles and water rates
- water quality
- effect of adjuvants in the chemical mix
- case study – Dicamba in the US
- GHS.

The **workplace visit** will cover:

- development of spray drift management plans – winter and summer - customised to the farming operation – machine, speed, nozzles, etc
- calibration and testing of spray equipment as per spray plans
- operation of equipment to ensure accuracy
- general fine tuning of the machine
- time for one-on-one discussion to clarify any issues from the workshop.

If you have already supplied your name, phone number and email to Cath, you are registered. There will be another course in Cowra in February. To register for that, the Sept course (limited spaces) or to find out about other locations, contact Cath on 02 6345 5818 or 0437 455818 or email craig.day@bigpond.com



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