

# DEALING WITH THE DRY

FARM BUSINESS REGIONAL FORUMS  
BOOLEROO - SA



## BOOLEROO CENTRE WEDNESDAY 5 FEBRUARY 9:00am - 4:00pm

Booleroo Sports Complex  
46-54 Arthur Street, Booleroo Centre

### COST

FREE (morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea  
and resources provided)

### REGISTRATION

[bit.ly/GRDC\\_Dealingwiththedry\\_Feb2020](https://bit.ly/GRDC_Dealingwiththedry_Feb2020)

### OR CALL

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Growers are invited to attend the dry-time regional forum which offers practical advice on production decisions such as nutrition budgeting and application, soil, fallow and herbicide residue management and broader farming system decisions. A session will also cover sheep management, such as which sheep to keep, when to join and feeding strategies including confinement feeding and feed budgeting. The workshop will also explore business and financial strategies to assist cash-flow planning, debt management, and accessing and utilising government services.

Presenters will provide locally relevant content and will include panel sessions to get your questions answered. Each attendee will receive a resource kit with supporting information.

# AGENDA

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Wednesday 5 February, 2020

TIME	ITEM	SPEAKER
9:00	<b>Welcome and housekeeping</b>	<b>Belinda Cay</b> <i>Director</i> AgCommunicators
9:10	<b>GRDC – Drought Support and Investment</b>	<b>Randall Wilksch</b> <i>Grower Relations Manager - South</i> GRDC
9:15	<b>Assistance available</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rural Financial Counselling service</li><li>• Overview of government assistance programs</li></ul>	<b>Rural Financial Counsellor</b> Rural Business Support
9:30	<b>Dry Time Production Management and Planning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Nutrition status of eroded paddocks / best crops to sow following erosion and / or rebuilding good stubble cover</li><li>• Soil nutrition budgeting and applications</li></ul>	<b>Dr Sean Mason</b> <i>Research Agronomist/Director</i> Agronomy Solutions
10:15	<b>What to Expect from Weeds and Managing Herbicide Residues</b>	<b>Dr Chris Preston</b> <i>Associate Professor</i> University of Adelaide
11:00	<b>MORNING TEA</b>	
11:15	<b>Sheep Management Decisions</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Is it worth keeping sheep?</li><li>• Supplementary feed strategies and feed budgeting</li><li>• Confinement feeding</li></ul>	<b>Daniel Schuppan</b> <i>Animal Production Specialist</i> Nutrien Ag Solutions
12:00	<b>Farm Business Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Developing a flexible Farm Business Management Plan, considering risks</li><li>• Managing cash flow and reserves</li><li>• Budget planning</li><li>• Labour &amp; staff management - providing a positive working environment and retaining good staff in dry times.</li></ul> <b>Effective Debt Management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Optimising your position</li><li>• Margin management</li><li>• Integrating risk and developing a responsive, flexible marketing strategy</li><li>• Managing input costs effectively i.e. cooperative buying power.</li></ul>	<b>Mike Krause</b> <i>CEO</i> P2P Agri Pty Ltd
12:45	<b>Drought Support Initiative</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Rebate support</li><li>• Eroded Soil Resources</li></ul>	<b>Mary-Anne Young</b> <i>Drought Recovery Facilitator</i> Rural Solutions SA
1:00	<b>LUNCH</b>	
1:50	<b>Building resilience in your farming business</b>	<b>Ruth Sommerville</b> Upper North Farming Systems
2:30	<b>AFTERNOON TEA</b>	
2:45	<b>Building resilience in your farming business, continued</b>	<b>Ruth Sommerville</b> Upper North Farming Systems
4:00	<b>CLOSE</b>	