

GRDC GROWER FORUM

In partnership with Upper North Farming Systems' Eastern Spring Crop Walk



AGENDA

Thursday, Sept 23, Melrose

TIME	AGENDA ITEM	Person
12:30	Welcome and introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Round the room- About the day- Housekeeping	Randall Wilksch GRDC Tom Blake GRDC
12:50	Update on GRDC investments <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Snapshot of regional and national research, extension and communication projects	Randall Wilksch GRDC Tom Blake GRDC
1:10	GRDC Project Update: Sandy Soils and Calcareous Soils <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Increasing production on sandy soils in low and medium rainfall areas of the southern region- Understanding constraints to crop profits on highly calcareous soil	Dr Therese McBeath CSIRO research scientist
1:45	Afternoon tea	
2:00	Review and identify factors impacting farm productivity and profitability.	Randall Wilksch GRDC Tom Blake GRDC
2:45	Review opportunities for local research, development and extension. <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Identification of potential GRDC investment support. Define local RD&E needs	Randall Wilksch GRDC Tom Blake GRDC
3:15	Pathway forwards	Randall Wilksch GRDC Tom Blake GRDC
3:30	GRDC Grower Forum ends, Eastern Spring Crop Walk commences	