



THE FRONT LINE
Vegetable and Potato Biosecurity

AUSVEG



TOO Adult (Image Courtesy of Department of Agriculture and Food, Western Australia)

BIOSECURITY UPDATE FROM THE FRONLINE

We need to take a proactive stance when it comes to incursions, so please lock this date into your diaries and take this opportunity to engage with stakeholders that can advise and update you in biosecurity issues that are relevant to you and see the value in your levy dollars at work.

Date: Tuesday 14th Nov 17

Venue: DAF Research Station Bowen

Time: 2.30pm - 5.00pm

RSVP by 10th November

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Light Refreshments Will be Provided

Paul will provide attendees with up to date information about the project MT16016 surveillance of TPP in the Eastern States and South Australia. Surveillance activities were designed to bolster psyllid surveillance for the early detection of TPP should it cross from Western Australia into South Australia and the Eastern States including Tasmania.

Jessica will provide attendees with information about the newly launched project: MT16004—RD&E Program from Control, eradication and preparedness for Vegetable Leafminer, which has been developed in recognition of the extensive impact the Vegetable Leafminer could have on the vegetable and nursery industries if it were to move into production areas with no management plan in place.

Jessica Volker from Prospect Ag will provide a short overview of what's happening in our area.

A session on developing a farm biosecurity program – Structure, risk identification and biosecurity best practices – Will Follow

The strategic levy investment projects MT16016 and MT 16004 are funded by Hort Innovation, using the vegetable research and development levy and contributions from the Australian Government. Hort Innovation is the grower owned, not-for-profit research and development corporation for Australian horticulture.



Dr Paul Walker - TIA



Dr Paul Walker is a part-time entomologist with the Tasmanian Institute of Agriculture, University of Tasmania. Since 2011, he has participated in a research project to monitor for Tomato potato psyllid (TPP) incursions in eastern Australian potato fields. He has an expertise in psyllid identification and how to distinguish TPP from native species of psyllids. Paul is currently based in Tamworth, NSW, where he also works part-time for the NSW Department of Primary Industries on cotton bollworm insecticide resistance.



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Jessica Lye— AUSVEG Ltd

Jessica Lye leads the Science & Extension project team at AUSVEG Ltd., Peak Industry body for Australian vegetable and potato growers. Jessica currently leads several industry levy funded projects encompassing agrichemical needs and



priorities, sustainable farming, exotic pest management, plant pest surveillance, and farm biosecurity.

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