

## DFA & Hort Innovation dried grape industry event plan 2020

Topic	Event	Timing	Presenters
<b>Introducing the years' events</b>	Vine article	April	IDO
<b>Review of minimal pruning demonstration</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>View outcomes of minimal pruning treatment at harvest</li> </ul>	Online	April	Local grower, and IDO demonstrating the impact of saving time at pruning on the effectiveness of harvest
<b>Coordination of mechanised pruning research project</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Finalising project agreement and funding</li> <li>Liaising with researchers to find suitable trial sites</li> <li>Coordinate feedback to industry</li> </ul>	Meetings/ online, phone	April – Dec	IDO, Drying for Profit Committee, La Trobe University, Mallee Regional Innovation Centre
<b>Review of Best Practice Guides</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Content reviewed for reprinting or use in online format</li> </ul>	Content preparation	April – December	IDO, Drying for Profit Committee, various expert reviewers
<b>Video training packages</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a video to train pruners</li> <li>Development of a video to outline pruning strategy for managers/ owners</li> </ul>	Online video	May – July	IDO, Industry experts, DFA communications manager
<b>Benchmarking data collection</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Final collection season 2019/20</li> </ul>	Email and phone	May	IDO
Industry review of Carina Currant trial data investigating European Union MRL requirements for Chlormequat setting sprays	Workshop / email and phone	May	IDO, industry packers and processors
<b>Benchmarking report</b>	Vine article	July	IDO
<b>Coordination of 2020 TAFE Cert III in Dried Grape Production steering committee.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Coordinate presenters for the final sessions</li> <li>Review Course and determine future course needs</li> </ul>	Meetings	April – December	IDO
<b>Irrigation management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Update on seasonal allocations</li> <li>Discussion on water budgeting</li> <li>Discussion session about using "Green Brain" irrigation monitoring systems</li> </ul>	Farm visit or webinar format	August	Water Broker, IDO, MEA staff member
<b>Spring sticky beak tour</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key benchmarking and best practice demonstration sites across the region</li> <li>Disease modelling demonstration</li> </ul>	Farm visit or webinar format	September	IDO, dried grape growers, Peter Magarey
<b>Water use and irrigation</b>	Vine article	September	IDO
<b>Satellite imagery for irrigation management</b>	Workshop or webinar format	September	Agriculture Victoria staff, dried grape growers

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Using Irrisat</li> </ul>			
<b>DFA forum</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Farm Business Models</li> <li>Impact of Climate change on Dried Grape Production</li> <li>Benchmarking report</li> <li>Presentation of annual industry statistics</li> <li>New varieties</li> </ul>	Forum or webinar format	October	John Gladigau – Bulla Burra Graeme Anderson – Agriculture Victoria, IDO, CEO.
<b>Meet the researchers</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Visit to Adelaide and South Australian Riverland to meet key viticultural researchers</li> <li>Apple and Pear industry in the Adelaide Hills</li> <li>Possible fresh market tour</li> </ul>	Tour and farm visit (assuming boarder is open again)	November	IDO
<b>Summer sticky beak tour</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key benchmarking and best practice demonstration sites across the region</li> </ul>	Farm visit	December	IDO, Dried Grape Growers
<b>Year in review</b>	Vine article	December	IDO
<b>Annual focus group review</b>	Focus group	December	IDO