

# Water Information Session

## Managing avocados with less water

Monday May 24 2021

**Presentations:** Paragon Theatre - 75 Churchill Street, Childers Queensland 4660

**RSVP:** Friday May 21, 2021 - **Book here:** <https://www.trybooking.com/BRGIK>

Time	Item	Presenter
<b>7:30am - 8:00am</b>	<b>Registration</b>	
8:00am - 8:10am	Welcome	<b>Eric Carney</b> - Avocados Australia (AAL) Central QLD Director
8:10am - 9:10am	<b>Managing avocados with less water</b>	<b>Jeremy Giddings</b> - Regional Manager Irrigation – Mallee—Agriculture Victoria
9:10am - 9:40am	<b>Coffee Break</b>	
9:40am - 9:55am	Physiological impacts of less water	<b>Liz Singh</b> - Avocados Australia (AAL)
9:55am - 10:55am	<b>My Drought story - Back O Burke Fruits</b>	<b>Phillip Mansell</b>
10:55am - 11:00am	Future Directions	<b>Eric Carney</b> - Avocados Australia (AAL) CQ Director
<b>End</b>		



**Jeremy Giddings** is the irrigation manager for Agriculture Victoria in the Mallee. Prior to this he was the Irrigation Officer at NSW DPI for 20 years, including a period of severe water restrictions experienced in 2008-10". Read Jeremy's paper on [Managing Avocados with less water](#)

**Phillip Mansell** used the most water efficient means to grow quality fruit at Back O Burke Fruits. When drought hit and irrigation entitlements were cut back he was virtually bankrupted over night and his business lost millions. Without enough water to grow crops to service his borrowings the bank foreclosed. Hear Phillip's experiences with dealing with access to water issues and the journey he has needed to take to re-invent himself after farming.



*This event is part of the strategic levy investment project, Avocado industry development and extension (AV17005).*

*This project has been funded by Hort Innovation, using the Hort Innovation avocado research and development levy, co-investment from the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries, and contributions from the Australian Government. Hort Innovation is the grower-owned, not-for-profit research and development corporation for Australian horticulture.*