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DOUBLE CROPPING FIELD DAY AT ECHUCA



FIELD DAY: A maize crop in a double cropping trial near Echuca towers above Dale Boyd and will be showcased later this month.

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Irrigated mixed farmers and growers interested in double cropping are invited to attend a short field day near Echuca on Thursday 28 February to showcase the Victorian Department of Primary Industries (DPI) double cropping trials, which are now in their third year.

Seed company representatives will provide information on summer crop varieties and tips to growing them, and consultant Rob Fisher of Agronomic Results will discuss how these crop types can fit farmers' systems. Cobram DPI's Dale Grey will also be in attendance to field any questions on soybeans.

DPI agronomists will also discuss gross margins and lessons learnt from the trial site, which is currently growing soybeans, maize and sorghum.

From Echuca, travel 10 kilometres east along Bangerang Road, turn left over Stewarts bridge on the Goulburn river, travel 10.5 kilometres along Echuca/Nathalia Road (dirt) and then turn right at the River Bend Caravan Park sign. Head along bush track (one kilometre) to a farm clearing.

The field day starts at 9:30 am and finishes before lunch. To attend the day, growers and agronomists are advised to reply by Friday 22 February to Dale Boyd, Echuca DPI on 54821922 or Rob Fisher, Victorian Irrigated cropping council on 0428545263 (fax 03 5452 2313).
