

## Mildura farm safety workshop

The agricultural sector accounts for a disproportionate number of Australia's work related fatalities. While we make up less than three per cent of the workforce, we are responsible for around 24 per cent of fatalities.

It is now a requirement under Australian law that all businesses have a safety management plan, and penalties for noncompliance have increased significantly.

Safe Ag Systems, a SA-based family farming business, has developed a software program to help agribusiness meet Australian Work Health and Safety regulations.

They will be conducting a free farm safety workshop at Mildura Golf Resort on Tuesday 23 May from 3pm to 5pm.

The session will provide growers with an understanding of their legal requirements, as well as a free trial of the Ag Safe Systems software.

For more information, contact Abigail Hickman on 08 8490 0939 or [AbigailH@safeagsystems.com](mailto:AbigailH@safeagsystems.com).

## Participate in a seasonal work trial

Growers interested in discussing their labour needs and finding out more about the Seasonal Work Incentives Trial can attend a Mildura information session on Thursday 1 June.

The Australian Government is introducing the two-year trial on 1 July 2017 to help meet the seasonal labour demands of horticultural growers.

It aims to encourage job seekers to take up short-term work placements of six weeks, and providers will receive a weekly incentive payment for placing an eligible job seeker into seasonal horticultural work.

Register your interest by Friday 26 May by contacting the Department of Employment at [SWIT@employment.gov.au](mailto:SWIT@employment.gov.au).



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