



1-2-1 Business Advisory Service...



Department of
Primary Industries

Horticulture Grower 1-2-1 Business Advisory Service

Fruit Growers Victoria Limited has been contracted to help horticulture irrigators access the financial and agronomic information they need to make business decisions in the face of reduced water availability.

The project is being run by the Department of Primary Industries (DPI). Through the project, growers are able to access one-to-one, free, confidential sessions with Extension Providers who have a background in finance or horticulture.

Some of the issues that the Extension Providers can help irrigators with include;

- Budgeting
- Planning
- Preparing Business Plan
- Exiting strategies
- Succession Planning
- Block profitability
- Assistance with grants and other funding
- Assistance with Centrelink

Agronomic advice

Call Fruit Growers Victoria on **03 5825 3700** for further information, email admin@fgv.com.au, or contact the following Extension Providers to set up an appointment:

Liz Mann	mobile: 0427 857 578	email: lizmann@aptrc.asn.au (GV)
David Rutledge	mobile: 0414 599 289	email: RutledgeDH@msn.com.au
Ann Young	mobile: 0409 503 711	email: hdc2@iinet.net.au (Swan Hill)
Tony Pickett	mobile: 0438 443 985	email: pickag@bigpond.net.au (North East)

There is also the opportunity to hold group sessions with small or large groups of growers. These sessions will include tools that will assist growers to determine how much their business can afford to spend on purchasing water. Please contact any of the extension providers above if you would like to attend group sessions or workshops.