



APVMA Agricultural Chemicals Working Group

Meeting summary – 3 December 2025

Introductions

The Chair conducted an Acknowledgement of Country and welcomed members to the second meeting of the Agricultural Chemicals Working Group.

Executive Director's update

Ed Cram, Executive Director of Agricultural Chemicals, introduced himself to the group and provided a background.

Members were updated on the recent restructure of the APVMA and introduced to the Agricultural Chemicals branch team members. Updates on reference products and application quality initiatives were provided.

EPAC2026 update

The APVMA presented on the Enabling Precision Application of Crop Protection Products by Inclusion in Regulatory Approaches ([EPAC2026](#)) conference. The conference will facilitate greater understanding of new precision application technologies and the importance of including these in regulatory processes.

Working Group activities

Members were updated on the existing low burden pathways for regulation available including prescribed, listed and reserved registration pathways. The Working Group expressed an appetite for more information and discussed how these pathways might be utilised more effectively.

Members discussed the importance of minor use pathways and agreed that improving minor use would be an area of focus for the Working Group.

Members were updated on improvements in assessment of efficacy, including efficacy module templates published in September.

Published [efficacy templates for pesticides](#) are available on the APVMA website.