



## Sustainable Weed Management Workshop

### **Approaches to the non-chemical / sustainable management of weeds**

With the increasing and well know issues surrounding herbicides, such as resistant weeds, 'resistant' consumers and increased regulation, non-chemical/herbicide weed management is becoming increasingly important.

In response to this need, the BHU Future Farming Centre, NZ's leading specialist sustainable agriculture research centre, and LandWISE with its focus on sustainable production through technology are putting on the third non-chemical weed management workshop to give attendees the knowledge and tools they need to make significant enhancements to the long-term sustainability of their on-farm weed management practices.

Topics covered include: the context of weed management; essential weed biology and ecology; integrated weed management; plus detailed coverage of field operations and machinery.

The course will run all day on **Thursday 20 July, at the Centre for Land and Water, 21 Ruahapia Rd, RD10, Hastings 4180**, and cost \$275+GST including lunch and refreshments.

Full information can be found at [www.bhu.org.nz/future-farming-centre/events/one-day-seminar-workshop-on-non-chemical-weed-management](http://www.bhu.org.nz/future-farming-centre/events/one-day-seminar-workshop-on-non-chemical-weed-management).

Registration is essential and is through the LandWISE website [www.landwise.org.nz](http://www.landwise.org.nz).

Dr Charles Merfield, Head of the Future Farming Centre, says "this practically focused course will give attendees a sound overview of the whole of non-chemical weed management as well as providing practical details about how to implement the ideas once they get back to the farm. The feedback from attendees at the previous workshops was very positive and we expect this year's course to be every bit as valuable."

Dan Bloomer, LandWISE manager says "Our members are well aware of the limitations of current weed management tools and practices. They recognise simple chemical solutions are increasingly limited and more sophisticated management is essential."

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