

## Temperature warming prompts rust warning

Victorian grain growers are encouraged to monitor their crops for rust diseases as temperatures begin to rise and as up-front fungicide treatments begin to wear off. Cereal disease authorities, with support from the Grains Research and Development Corporation (GRDC), advise that although inoculum levels are low due to a dry summer and the absence of a “green bridge” to support carryover of diseases, infections may still occur with the onset of warmer conditions and following the favourable conditions during winter. Growers who detect or suspect rust in their crops should contact Grant Hollaway, DEPI Victoria, phone 03 5362 2111 or email [grant.hollaway@depi.vic.gov.au](mailto:grant.hollaway@depi.vic.gov.au). More information on cereal rust diseases is available via the GRDC-supported Rust Bust website at [www.rustbust.com.au](http://www.rustbust.com.au) and the GRDC online resource hub at [www.grdc.com.au/diseaselinks](http://www.grdc.com.au/diseaselinks).

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