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Online farm program to assist land management

The South East Natural Resources Management Board (SENRM Board) invites all interested landholders to a series of workshops on how to use the popular nrmFarm online management program. A beginners and advance workshop is being run in July which will show landholders the benefits of using the program and is part of a suite of online programs that the SENRM Board have to offer.

nrmFarm is a free online tool that offers farmers a simple way to record important farm related information that is all connected to a map of the landholders farm. Information can only be accessed by the individual farmer under a secure login system and is stored confidentially with no access by any other persons or organizations.

SENRM Board's Enhancing soil health project officer Nicole deCourcy-Ireland said the program is one stop shop for landholders who are looking for a program that encompasses the many aspects of farm management. "One of its strengths is its versatility as not only can you map and record farm assets, you can flag repair jobs such as holes in fences, record soil tests, record NLIS and other livestock information as well as spray and fertilizer records."

Ms. deCourcy-Ireland says this data can then be used to help make important decisions on the farm or be exported in a variety of ways such as graphs and tables. "It can also be emailed which allows the landholder to send this information to agronomists and other stakeholders."

SENRM Board Presiding Member Mark Braes encourages landholders to attend the workshops as keeping good farm records is an important part of farm management these days and helps farmers when it comes to succession planning within the family or selling their property. "One of the great things about nrmFarm is that it is free yet has a lot of the features found in expensive software."

Ms. deCourcy-Ireland said registration to the workshops is vital. There is a beginner's workshop for landholders new to nrmFarm and digital farm record management while an advanced workshop is for landholders looking to learn more about nrmFarm and data interpretation.

The beginner's course is being held on Sunday 15th July at the Mount Gambier library from 12.30 – 3pm and the advance course on Thursday July 19th from 10am – 12.30pm. Light catering is available at each session.

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