RRXtend Spray App

FACT SHEET

PREPARING FOR A SUCCESSFUL 2018 GROWING SEASON

Monsanto Company has launched a free mobile app to help growers and applicators plan successful applications of XtendiMax® Herbicide with VaporGrip® Technology. The RRXtend Spray App is a grower- and applicator-focused digital tool that provides location-specific weather forecasts, digital record keeping capabilities, and educational resources related to the Roundup Ready® Xtend Crop System. Growers can download the app for free on the Apple App Store® and on Google Play®. The RRXtend Spray App does not replace the applicator's need to confirm compliant application conditions at the time of spray.

KEY FEATURES



WEATHER FORECASTS

Provides field-level, location-specific 16-hour forecasts (hour-by-hour), including the following:

Forecasts are developed using publicly available weather data from the U.S. National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and unique models by The Climate Corporation, a subsidiary of Monsanto Company.

- Wind speed and direction are forecast at approximately 3 ft above the ground for more application-relevant forecasting.
- Inversion risk forecast shows the probability (by percentage) of an inversion occurring at a specific location and forecast hour.
- Temperature and relative humidity.

RECORDKEEPING

Gives applicators an easy way to comply with federal dicamba recordkeeping requirements through the following features:

- Digitally input application records with greater ease of use, including smartfill capabilities.
- Create a one-time profile, and this information auto-populates into future records.
- Save and export multiple field records, and store information on a mobile device.

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EDUCATIONAL RESOURCES

Access to helpful information all in one place, at your fingertips:

- Connects to key resources including training information, product labels and information on approved tank mixes and nozzles.
- Educational videos, including information on the methods and models utilized in the inversion risk forecast tool.

Forecasts are for planning purposes only and are not a substitute for checking actual weather conditions atyour location at the time of application and complying with the product label and other legal requirements.

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WHAT IS A TEMPERATURE INVERSION?



- Temperature inversions are common early in mornings and in evenings and nights when there is limited cloud cover and light to no wind. A temperature inversion can begin to form as the sun sets and often continue into the morning. Ground fog or dew on plant leaves are indicators an inversion exists.
- A temperature inversion will typically dissipate with increased winds (greater than 3 mph) or at sunrise when the surface air begins to warm (at least an increase of 3°F from the morning low temperature).

TEMPERATURE INVERSION CAN CAUSE OFF-TARGET MOVEMENT



- Risk for off-target movement (drifting) of any herbicide formulation sprayed increases during a temperature inversion.
- That's because when the atmosphere is very stable and vertical air mixing is restricted, the very small, suspended spray droplets can remain in a concentrated cloud for hours. This cloud can move in unpredictable directions due to the light variable winds common during inversions.
- In the time between when they are sprayed and when they settle onto vegetation, these small particles can move to non-target areas, potentially damaging susceptible crops or other vegetation.
- Even sprayer tips designed to produce large droplets also produce some small (200 microns or less) droplets.

RRXTEND SPRAY APP PROVIDES KEY DATA TO MAKE INFORMED DECISIONS

- Inversion risk can vary from hour-to-hour, day-to-day. Continued monitoring for key weather conditions, such as wind direction and temperature, is vital to avoid applying a herbicide during a temperature inversion on the field.
- Monsanto's RRXtend Spray App provides field-level, location-specific hourly forecasts that show the probability (by percentage) of an inversion occurring. Forecasts on the App update every hour so applicators should check regularly.
- The unique inversion-risk forecast feature helps farmers and applicators make proper decisions on timing of dicamba herbicide application.

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