



## **NSW Government announces GM crop moratorium to end in July**

Farmers in New South Wales will be assured of access to all current and future approved GM crop innovations with the NSW Government announcement today that the moratorium will expire on 1 July 2021. This will bring NSW into line with all other Australian mainland states.

This is a welcome announcement following a strong advocacy effort led by CropLife over several years and a highly concerted effort specifically in the last 18 months in partnership and coordination with other farming and industry peak bodies.

CropLife has also recently met with the NSW Shadow Minister and is extremely confident the NSW Labor opposition will not oppose this measure in line with its commitment to good science-based policy.

This now means all of mainland Australia has one of the best paths to market for the plant science industry's innovations in crop biotechnology with the data- and science-based Federal regulatory system the only approval requirement. This makes even more important the updating and reform of the system, currently underway by the Department of Health. CropLife's advocacy efforts will continue to be focused on this over the coming 24 months.

Read CropLife's full media release [online](#).

Read Minister Marshall's full announcement [online](#).

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