



Autumn Farming



A new liming product for hill country

DEBENHAM Australia Pty Ltd has announced the introduction of Calciprill into Gippsland.

Calciprill is a 2mm to 6mm prill made from very finely ground high purity lime.

Calciprill now gives farmers in hilly and steep country in South Gippsland the opportunity to address soil acidity on their farms, something that has not been able to be done in the past because of physical and economic restraints.

The granulation of Calciprill enables dust free, easy application by aircraft or through normal farm spreading equipment.

There is a high proportion of hill country in South Gippsland that has a good fertiliser history but the soils are still very acidic, Ian Debenham from Debenham Australia Pty Ltd said.

This means poor up-



Plenty of hills: Calciprill can be applied in hilly and steep country by aerial method when ground access is unavailable.

take of applied fertiliser and often above optimum levels of soil aluminium and iron. Raising soil pH will help to alleviate these problems and improve pasture performance.

Farmers should now consider building the use of Calciprill into their annual fertiliser programs.

Mr Debenham also suggests it is important to soil test on a regular basis so

the correct decisions are made when purchasing lime or fertiliser.

For further information and all enquires contact Ian Debenham on 0418 343 013 or 5662 5317.

New national approach to BJD

THE interests of Australian cattle producers have driven the development of the new Bovine Johne's Disease (BJD) Framework document.

The framework, released recently, outlines a fresh approach to the management of the endemic disease and is the result of 12 months of consultation and evaluation of existing practices, led by Animal

Health Australia (AHA).

The framework outlines how Australia will manage BJD into the future and shifts the focus of BJD management to the wider biosecurity practice of reduction and management of all diseases, said AHA's executive manager of biosecurity Duncan Rowland.

Throughout the consultation period, time and time again, producers talked about the significant emotional and

financial stress they faced when dealing with existing BJD management regulations, he said.

So while this new approach introduces a substantial shift in thinking, better biosecurity awareness and practices will provide a safer environment for producers to operate in.

Producers are the cornerstone of the new approach.

The management of BJD will continue to be a

shared responsibility between government, the industry and producers, Mr Rowland said.



Leaves all other limes for DUST!

Calciprill®

Why use Calciprill®?

- Calciprill is high analysis and much finer than standard aglimes.
- Calciprill is a dust free frilled product allowing application through aircraft small farm spreaders.
- Accurate placement with minimal loss to dust drift
- Can be sown or spread with seed or fertiliser.
- Releases tied up nutrients on steep and inaccessible farming land.
- Supplies calcium to the soil and pasture.
- Handled in bulk or 1t Bulka bags.

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