

NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION

Receipt of licence application from Trigall Australia for a field trial of genetically modified wheat

The Office of the Gene Technology Regulator (OGTR) has received a licence application (DIR 204) from Trigall Australia Pty Ltd to conduct a field trial of genetically modified (GM) wheat with increased tolerance to environmental stress. A summary of the application is posted on our <u>website</u> (search for DIR 204).

The trial is proposed to take place over a period of 5 years, on up to 10 sites with a maximum area of 20 hectares per year. The trial sites would be located in wheat growing areas of New South Wales, Victoria, Western Australia and South Australia. The trial would be subject to control measures that restrict the spread and persistence of the GM plants and their introduced genetic material. The GM wheat would not be used for human food or animal feed.

The OGTR is preparing a Risk Assessment and Risk Management Plan for the application. This is expected to be released for public comment and advice from experts, agencies and authorities in **early June 2024**. There will be at least 30 days for submission of comments.

If you have any questions or would like to receive a copy of the application or the summary, please contact the OGTR and quote the reference number DIR 204.

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