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### **How Important is Water quality?**

Water quality is vital for getting the best from any foliar product applied particularly in the warmer conditions of summer. Hard salty water which is typically found in dams, channels and bores interacts with the ability of the target plant in being able to uptake foliar applied nutrition and other products. However, this water is what most farmers must use when applying liquid products. The three major impacts on product efficacy with using this water are:

- Water pH
- Water Hardness
- Water Salinity

Water pH is important as the level of acidity effects the ability of the nutrient to pass through the epidermis (outer cells) of the leaf. Ideally the optimum pH for maximum efficiency is between pH 4.5-6.5. Dam water generally has a pH of around 7-9.

Water hardness is a measure of the salts, carbonates and oxides that are in solution or suspension. These salts and particles inhibit the passage of elements to pass through the leaf due to their size and solubility. The most common elements are Calcium, Magnesium and Sodium which are all positively charged. The most common solution to this problem is adding Sulphate of Ammonia (SOA or AMS) to reduce the pH and flocculate the hard water. **SprayMate from Ferti-Tech offers a better solution** (pun intended!).

#### **SprayMate Benefits**

- Is a liquid and requires no mixing or messy bags which can save a lot of **TIME** during filling. Over the course of a day this can add up to an hour or more saved.
- Will reduce the pH to the optimum for plant uptake.
- Contains fulvic acid to buffer the foliar products to help them pass through the guard cell of the leaf surface and into the Phloem.
- Contains energy and stickiness for improved leaf contact and absorption.

In summary, SprayMate will reduce the pH, soften the water hardness, buffer, protect the nutrients and prevent antagonism all in one.

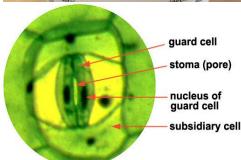
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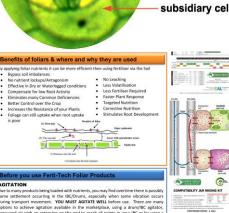
- Step 1 Check products compatibility prior to adding to your tanks
- **Step 2** Add water and the SprayMate as the tank fills. We suggest rates between 330mL to 1L/100L of water depending on the water quality.
- **Step 3** Add other product/s.
- **Step 4** Spray early in the morning or late evening when humidity is greatest and temperature is lowest. This is the best time when the plants leaves can take up foliar applied products.

Ferti-Tech can do a simple on farm water test for pH and hardness, or we can arrange an EAL lab test.











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