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'HOOK'

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As Seen By the "Intermountain Farmers Association" Crop Advisor
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During the past growing season, **Hook** has been used successfully by many IFA Field Agronomists with various agricultural materials on a variety of crops throughout Utah and parts of Idaho. Because **Hook** is a new material, the IFA Crop Advisors have taken a very close look at it and many of them have had a great experience adding **Hook** to their spray program.

Randy Grover in Garland has used **Hook** with grain herbicides such as 2-4-D and Harmony Extra. He believes that the over all weed control was improved by using **Hook**, especially with the yellow and purple mustard (Mustard Blue *Ohonispora Tenella*). In years past he has had good results with most weed control except for the Mustard family.

This year the control was very evident compared to the past years due to the absence of mustard. Some of his growers have asked what he did to improve the weed control this year. Their fields were cleaner and did not have the typical breakthrough weeds. The only change Randy made was using **Hook**. He was very pleased to get the control that he wanted.

The Spanish Fork Agronomy Center has been using **Hook** in their RoGator throughout Utah County both this year and last. Spanish Fork Crop Advisors work with a large number of alfalfa, corn, and grain growers and spray many acres with Round Up, Velpar and Weedar (2-4-D). Due to the continual population growth of Utah County and new residential neighbors, Spanish Fork applicators are very careful not to let spray materials leave the fields they are treating. When **Hook** is added to the spray tank it enhances the activity of the spray material, gives great weed control, reduces drift, and the potential for unhappy neighbors. **Hook** is a product that gives real results.

Dan Madsen is the manager at the Uintah Basin Agronomy Center in Roosevelt, Utah. Last year Dan sold more **Hook** than any of the other IFA salesmen. Whenever he needs a surfactant Dan uses **Hook**. He believes that **Hook** improves the activity of the materials in the tank with either herbicides or pesticides. Dan will admit that he has not done a side by side test with other surfactants, however, when he uses **Hook** the control of either weeds or insects has been up to what the growers demand (Perfection).

Hook is a new generation surfactant that improves the deposition and activity of the spray material on the surface of the plant, helps reduce the number of fine particles in the spray pattern and gives a more even coverage and less loss due to drift and runoff when spraying. **Hook** will improve the activity of most chemicals.

Hook is manufactured by IFA in Garland, Utah. Intermountain Farmers is very excited to offer this product to the wonderful growers who purchase agronomy products at IFA. Please contact your local IFA crop advisor for more information about this product

REMEMBER: ALWAYS ADD HOOK LAST TO YOUR TANK MIX

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