

## A WORRYING MISTAKE TURNS OUT OK

This Insight highlights how it is never too late to implement remedial practices that bring about best possible outcomes and how **Cereal Plus Zinc** proved its worth for a **wheat** grower.

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Here is a comforting story taken from our archives – it is worth re-telling.

Pictured is Robert Vincent (and his 'apprentice') taking a break from rounding off the last of his 2007 harvest, at Tottenham in New South Wales.

Robert was more than a little bit worried at sowing time, after he realised that his seeding rig had been operating all through the night with a fertiliser blockage. As a result, a fair slice of ground was sown without any granular fertiliser. Rather than re-sow and lose valuable moisture and time, Robert decided to foliar feed the crop through the year with **Cereal Plus Zinc**.

At harvest time he was pleasantly surprised to record no difference in yield between where granular had been applied, and where the foliar was used on its own. The following season Robert applied foliar to all his wheat country and was very happy with the results, both in terms of yield and quality.

At RLF we don't ever state or recommend that any foliar will, or can replace granular fertiliser. Fortunately for Robert, the results received from the foliar applications of **Cereal Plus Zinc** seem to indicate that there was adequate N & P in the soil to support the yield, and that a consequential superior root system enabled the plants to more efficiently intercept and utilise the required nutrients.

This is a good reminder, and a case-in-point for us to ensure we undertake the Fertiliser Efficiency Review for our farmers and growers – because the **BSN/CSF program** improves the utilisation of soil nutrient reserves, and this directly translates to the opportunity for granular fertiliser 'savings'.

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