## **Writing Good Video Scripts**

Why video? Video is an increasingly powerful way to share information with farmers.

However, good video scripts are critical to engage the viewer and to communicate your points.

## How to write your video script.

- What's the goal of this video? Why are you making the video?
  Reduce the message of your entire video to one sentence and include that sentence somewhere in the first 30 seconds of the script. This tells the audience what to pay attention to in the video.
- 2. Write your story.....(Draw people in– show how your story is relevant and can solve their problems)

| Element |                             | Example                          | Comment                           |
|---------|-----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1.      | Audience: Who are you       | What are their main concerns     | You have 7 seconds to grab        |
|         | talking to                  | and problems                     | people's attention.               |
| 2.      | State a problem your        | Don't you hate it when           |                                   |
|         | audience is experiencing    | Isn't it frustrating when        |                                   |
| 3.      | Show you have the expertise |                                  | You then have 30 seconds or so    |
|         | or solution needed          |                                  |                                   |
| 4.      | Present the solution        | Clearly show its benefits        | What's the "takeways"             |
|         |                             | Be clear and concise             |                                   |
| 5.      | Call to action              | Give a specific action to take.  | Holding people's attention for 90 |
|         |                             | E.g., content me, sign up, visit | seconds can be a challenge. Keep  |
|         |                             | website                          | it brief.                         |

## **Practice**

| What's the goal of this video? Why are you making the video? |
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|    | your audience is   |         |  |
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References: Powtoon: Craft your story to make it exciting; A Follett, Video brewery; S Johnson (Hubspot)



