

# National Citrus Canker Eradication Program

## PART 1: PRELIMINARIES

1. The purpose of this Schedule is to outline the delivery of agreed activities for the National Citrus Canker Eradication Program for 2018–19 to 2019–20 and to facilitate the Commonwealth's cost-shared contributions to the Northern Territory and Western Australia, the combatant jurisdictions for this eradication program.
2. The National Citrus Canker Eradication Program is being conducted under the Emergency Plant Pest Response Deed (EPPRD) as agreed by the National Management Group (NMG) on 20 December 2018.
3. Financial commitments are approved by the NMG subject to budget considerations. The *National Citrus Canker Response Plan v4.0* (the Response Plan) budget was endorsed on 20 December 2018 in accordance with the EPPRD.
4. If required, this Schedule will be reviewed in conjunction with reviews of the eradication program in accordance with the provisions of the EPPRD.

## PART 2: FORMALITIES

5. The Parties to this Schedule are the Commonwealth of Australia and the Northern Territory and Western Australia (the jurisdictions).
6. This Schedule will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth, Northern Territory and Western Australia ministers with portfolio responsibility for national biosecurity emergency management, and will expire on 30 June 2021 or upon completion or termination of the National Citrus Canker Eradication Program as determined by the NMG, including endorsement of the final progress report and processing of final payments against milestones, unless terminated earlier or extended as agreed in writing by the Parties.

## PART 3: PROJECT ELEMENTS AND MILESTONES

7. The project elements for the National Citrus Canker Eradication Program are as described in the Response Plan. The jurisdictions are responsible for delivering the following elements in accordance with the Response Plan:
  - (a) Phase 1 – Delimit the extent of the incursion in the Northern Territory and in other jurisdictions with trace premises.
    - i. All infected material detected and health status verified.
    - ii. All hosts located on known infected premises and established Restricted Areas are inspected, removed and destroyed.
    - iii. Risks associated with low levels of bacteria and survival under dry conditions understood, quantified and applied to optimise the response strategy.

- (b) Phase 2 – Verify that containment and eradication of citrus canker in the Control Areas and Restricted Areas in Western Australia and the Northern Territory has been successful.
    - i. Restricted Areas remain free of hosts until the host free period is completed.
    - ii. The host free requirement is met.
    - iii. Control areas remain free of disease.
    - iv. Controlled reintroduction of hosts as part of the evidence of absence strategy.
  - (c) Phase 3 – Gather evidence of absence of citrus canker in the wider host population within Australia as the basis for reintroducing country freedom.
    - i. Data collected and analysed from response and verification activities provides evidence that the strategy is effective, and contributes to proving freedom from citrus canker.
  - (d) Phase 4 – Transition to ongoing baseline monitoring for citrus canker.
    - i. Confirm pest free status for jurisdictions/areas where status is currently absent. Sequentially reinstate state and area freedoms from citrus canker through declarations based on evidence of absence.
    - ii. Baseline surveillance supports ongoing freedom from citrus canker.
8. To qualify for the associated payment, the jurisdictions must meet the following milestones:

**Table 1: Milestones**

Milestones	Due date	Payment
<b>2018-19</b>		
Efficacy Review and report of the National Citrus Canker Eradication Program as per the endorsed response plan.	June 2019	Up to \$8,125,372
<b>2019-20</b>		
Annual progress report (2019-20) endorsed by the Consultative Committee for Emergency Plant Pests (CCEPP) as demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above project elements as per the endorsed Response Plan.	August 2020	Up to \$2,961,917

## PART 4: REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

- 9. The jurisdictions will report against the agreed milestones as outlined in Table 1 above.
- 10. A mandatory review of the status of the response against the aim and objectives of the Response Plan will be completed by the CCEPP in June 2019.
- 11. The jurisdictions will provide a final report demonstrating completion of the eradication program within three months of completion.
- 12. Circumstances may give rise to additional reporting being sought in accordance with the EPPRD.

## PART 5: FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

13. The Commonwealth's agreed financial contribution for the National Citrus canker Eradication Program is outlined in Tables 2 and 3 and payable in accordance with the milestones set out Table 1. All payments are exclusive of GST.
14. Where the Industry Party is not able to meet its cost sharing obligations either directly, or from funds held on its behalf, the Commonwealth will initially meet that Industry Party's Cost Sharing obligations as set out in section 10.4.2 of the EPPRD. Each Industry Party will subsequently meet its cost sharing obligations to the Commonwealth, arising as a consequence of the Commonwealth meeting Industry Party obligations pursuant to clause 10.4.2, as set out in Part 1 of Schedule 7 of the EPPRD (Section 10.4.3).

**Table 2: Estimated financial contribution to Northern Territory**

	2018-19	2019-20
Commonwealth	\$4,392,492	\$1,952,345
Citrus Australia	\$2,112,789	\$939,078
<b>Maximum Commonwealth Liability to Northern Territory</b>	<b>\$6,505,281</b>	<b>\$2,891,423</b>

**Table 3: Estimated financial contribution to Western Australia**

	2018-19	2019-20
Commonwealth	\$1,093,917	\$47,599
Citrus Australia	\$526,174	\$22,895
<b>Maximum Commonwealth Liability to Western Australia</b>	<b>\$1,620,091</b>	<b>\$70,494</b>

## PART 6: SIGN OFF

The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this Schedule as follows:

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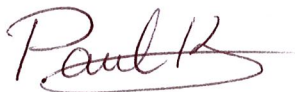
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