

Schedule F

National Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Eradication Program

Part 1: PRELIMINARIES

1. The purpose of this Schedule is to outline the delivery of agreed activities for the National Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Eradication Program from 2017-18 to 2020-21 (National Program) and to facilitate the Commonwealth's cost-shared contribution to Queensland, the combatant state for this eradication program. The timeframe for this Schedule spans two Response Plans; *Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2015-2018 v1.0* and *Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2018-2021 v1.0*.
2. The National Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Eradication Program is being conducted under the Emergency Plant Pest Response Deed (EPPRD) as agreed by the National Management Group (NMG) on 3 May 2019.
3. Financial commitments are approved by the NMG subject to budget considerations. The *Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2015-2018 v1.0* was endorsed by NMG on 4 November 2015 and *The Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2018-2021 v1.0* (the Response Plan) budget was approved on 3 May 2019, 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 Queensland.
6. This Schedule will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth and Queensland ministers with portfolio responsibility for national biosecurity emergency management and will expire on 30 June 2022 or upon completion or termination of the National 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 eradication program are described in the *Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2015-2018 v1.0* and *Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Response Plan 2018-2021 v1.0*.

8. Queensland is responsible for delivering the following elements in accordance with the Response Plan:
 - a. *Pre-emptive activities*
 - i. A pre-emptive blocking (male annihilation technique) and protein baitspray program on islands where annual incursions are considered probable (northern islands).
 - b. *Incursion Response*
 - i. When operational triggers (outlined in the Response Plan) are activated by pre-determined numbers of target fruit flies caught in monitoring traps, blocking will be conducted on the affected islands as well as additional bait spraying and trapping for a period of 12 weeks after the last target fly has been detected to ensure eradication is achieved. The bait spraying and additional trapping are implemented on the affected islands by the Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy on behalf of the Queensland Department of Agriculture and Fisheries
 - c. *Community engagement*
 - i. The communications plan will utilise media releases, online and hardcopy information packs to be distributed to stakeholders and the general public.
 - ii. An ongoing community engagement program in Torres Strait, through local Department of Agriculture officers, including utilising local indigenous ranger groups.

10. To qualify for the associated payment, Queensland must meet the following milestones:

Table 1: Milestones

Milestone	Due date	Payment
2017-18		
Annual progress report (2017-18) endorsed by the CCEPP demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above project elements as per the agreed Response Plan.	June 2019	Up to \$245,981
2018-19		
NMG agreement that the 2015-18 response plan was successfully implemented and agreement to a new response plan for 2018-2021.	June 2019	Up to \$328,859
2019-20		
Annual progress report (2018-19) endorsed by the CCEPP demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above project elements as per the agreed Response Plan.	November 2019	Up to \$319,196
2020-21		
Annual progress report (2019-20) endorsed by the CCEPP demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above project elements as per the agreed Response Plan.	November 2020	Up to \$336,620

Part 4: REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

9. Queensland will report against the agreed milestones as outlined in Table 1 above.

10. Queensland will provide a final report demonstrating completion of the eradication program in 2020-21 within three months of completion.
11. Circumstances may give rise to additional reporting being sought in accordance with the EPPRD.

PART 5: FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

12. The Commonwealth's agreed financial contribution for the National Exotic Fruit Fly in Torres Strait Eradication Program is outlined in Table 2 and payable in accordance with the milestones set out in Table 1. All payments are exclusive of GST.
13. 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 an 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 contributions

	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21
Commonwealth	\$163,986	\$219,239	\$212,796	\$224,413
Industry^(a)	\$81,995	\$109,620	\$106,400	\$112,207
- Australian Table Grape Ass.	\$369	\$439	\$426	\$449
- Avocados Australia	\$1,927	\$9,263	\$8,991	\$9,481
- Summerfruit Australia	\$9,921	\$6,796	\$6,597	\$6,957
- Apple and Pear Australia	\$27,058	\$21,157	\$20,535	\$21,656
- Australian Banana Growers' Council	\$5,617	\$15,950	\$15,481	\$16,326
- Australian Mango Industry	\$4,469	\$3,617	\$3,511	\$3,703
- AUSVEG	\$5,576	\$21,595	\$20,960	\$22,105
- Australian Processing Tomato Research Council	\$41	\$55	\$53	\$56
- Canned Fruit Industry Council Australia	\$1,517	\$767	\$745	\$785
- Cherry Growers Australia	\$4,879	\$5,426	\$5,267	\$5,554
- Citrus Australia	\$19,391	\$20,554	\$19,950	\$21,039
- Dried Fruit Australia	\$41	\$55	\$53	\$56
- Australian Grape and Wine	\$1,189	\$987	\$958	\$1,010
- Australian Lychee Industry Ass.	-	\$877	\$851	\$898
- Australian Melon Ass.	-	\$2,083	\$2,022	\$2,132
Total	\$245,981	\$328,859	\$319,196	\$336,620

^(a) All industry parties to this eradication program have been included above. The Commonwealth will only underwrite those that request underwriting.

PART 6: SIGN OFF

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

*Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of
Australia by*



Date

30/6/2019

Signature

**Senator the Honourable Bridget McKenzie
Minister for Agriculture**

*Signed for and on behalf of the State of Queensland
by*



Date

9/10/2019

Signature

**The Honourable Mark Furner MP
Minister for Agricultural Industry Development and Fisheries**