National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H₅N₂ Eradication Program FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - ENVIRONMENT

Table 1: Formalities and operation of schedule				
Parties	Commonwealth Victoria			
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire upon completion or termination of the National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program as determined by the National Management Group, including endorsement of the final report and processing of final payments against milestones, unless terminated earlier or agreed in writing by the Parties.			
Purpose	The purpose of this Schedule is to outline the delivery of agreed activities for the National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program in 2020-21 to facilitate the Commonwealth's cost-shared contributions to the Victorian Government, the combatant jurisdiction.			
	The National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program is being conducted under the Emergency Animal Disease Response Agreement (EADRA) as agreed by the National Management Group (NMG) in August 2020.			
	The Emergency Animal Disease Response Plan for outbreak of Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza (H5N2) v1.0 was approved by the NMG in accordance with the EADRA on 14 August 2020.			
	Financial commitments were approved by the NMG subject to budget considerations. The final 2020-21 budget was agreed on 15 December 2020.			
	If required, the Schedule will be reviewed in conjunction with reviews of the Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program in accordance with the provisions of the EADRA.			
	In September 2021, NMG agreed to increase the National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program budget to accommodate the increased costs which resulted from the COVID-19 outbreak.			
	The purpose of the National Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program is to eradicate H5N2 viral infection in pultry and eggs in accordance with the AUSVETPLAN strategies and procedures. This will be achieved by:			

a) Implementation of an eradication response; b) Maintenance of strict quarantine and movement controls to reduce the spread of infection; c) Tracing (of poultry, poultry product including bird wastes, people, vehicles, equipment, feed and other risk items) from infected premises d) Surveillance, including of any backyard poultry flocks, within the restricted and control areas to examine potential spread; e) Cleansing and decontamination, followed by a period of destroying to ensure no residual avian influenza' f) Post-response surveillance to support the proof-of-freedom claim. Estimated The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial financial contribution to the States of \$10m in respect of this Schedule. contributions Table 1 (\$ million) [Year 1] [Year 2] [Year 3] **Total** 1.2 0.0 0.0 1.2 **Estimated total budget** Less estimated National 0.0 0.0 0.0 0.0 Partnership Payments 1.2 0.0 0.0 0.0 Victoria Additional The Commonwealth's agreed financial contribution for National Low terms Pathogenic Avian Influenza H5N2 Eradication Program is outlined in Table 1, and is payable in accordance with the milestones set out below. All payments are exclusive of GST. 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 11.4(b) and Schedule 7 of the EADRA. 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 11.4(b) and Schedule 7 of the EADRA. Estimated Industry Total financial Australian Government \$399,702.69 underwriting for industry Australian Chicken Meat Federation \$604,684.52

parties

	Australian Eggs Ltd	\$194,720.86
,	Maximum Australian Government Liability to Victoria	\$1,199,108.07

Table 2B: Victoria — Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary					
Output (delete if the schedule has one output only)	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment		
NMG Endorsement of proof of freedom status	NMG endorsement of proof of freedom from infection <i>or</i> confirmation that Australia has returned to its pre-outbreak status.		\$1,199,108.07		
Final audit report	Delivery of the response program's final audit report.	June 2021			
Final costs	Confirmation of final costs				

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

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by

The Honourable Murray Watt MP
Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

[3] September 2022

Signed for and on behalf of the State of Victoria by

The Honourable Gayle Tierney MP

Minister for Agriculture

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