

National *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program

PART 1: PRELIMINARIES

1. The purpose of this Schedule is to outline the delivery of agreed activities for the National *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program from 2020-21 to 2022-23 to facilitate the Commonwealth's cost-shared contributions to the Western Australian Government, the combatant state for this eradication program.
2. The National *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program is being conducted under the National Environmental Biosecurity Response Agreement (NEBRA) as agreed by the National Biosecurity Management Group (NBMG) in 2020.
3. The National *Lepisiota incisa* (Forel, 1913) Response Plan Western Australia v2.2 and the associated budget was approved by the NBMG in accordance with the NEBRA on 22 December 2020.
4. If required, this Schedule will be reviewed in conjunction with reviews of the *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program in accordance with the provisions of the NEBRA.

PART 2: FORMALITIES

5. The Parties to this Schedule are the Commonwealth of Australia and Western Australia.
6. This Schedule will commence as soon as it is agreed between the Commonwealth and Western Australian ministers with portfolio responsibility for biosecurity and will expire on 30 June 2024 or upon on completion or termination of the National *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program as determined by the NBMG, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Parties.

PART 3: PROJECT ELEMENTS, MILESTONES AND PAYMENT SUMMARY

7. The objectives of the response are to complete delineation of known infestations, conduct tracing investigations, prevent further spread of *Lepisiota incisa* and eradicate it through treatment and destruction of nests.
8. The project elements for the National *Lepisiota incisa* Eradication Program are:
 - (a) Tracing activities at all known infested premises (IPs), and pest control notices issued to limit movement as deemed appropriate by the Program.
 - (b) Treatment of all nests with the use of chemical insecticides (bait and spray) at IPs as per the Response Plan. Treatment protocols may be modified as required through the Program.

- (c) Surveillance activities focused on IPs and those identified as at-risk premises around the Perth metropolitan area and through tracing activities. A series of scheduled surveillance will occur as per the Response Plan.
 - (d) Scientific and technical support to complete genetic analysis, research and treatment trials.
 - (e) Community engagement activities, tailored through a communication plan as per the Response Plan along with media release, talking points and stakeholder engagement through the Western Australian Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development website.
9. To qualify for the associated payment Western Australia must meet the following milestones:

Table 1: Milestones

Milestones	Due date	Payment
2020-21		
Half yearly progress report (Jan-June 2021) endorsed by the National Biosecurity Management Consultative Committee (NBMCC) as demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above progress elements of the Response Plan.	October 2021	Up to \$245,363
2021-22		
Annual progress report (2021-22) endorsed by the NBMCC as demonstrating satisfactory progress towards the above progress elements of the Response Plan.	October 2022	Up to \$364,949
2022-23		
Final report endorsed by NBMCC demonstrating satisfactory completion of the Program.	September 2023	Up to \$132,225

PART 4: REPORTING ARRANGEMENTS

- 10. Western Australia will report against the agreed milestones as outlined in Table 1.
- 11. Circumstances may give rise to additional reporting being sought in accordance with the NEBRA.

PART 5: FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

- 12. The Commonwealth's agreed financial contribution for the National *Lepisiota incisa* 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.

Table 2: Estimated financial contributions by year of activity*

	2021-22 (\$)	2021-22 (\$)	2022-23 (\$)	Total Budget
Maximum Australian Government Liability to Western Australia	245,363	364,949	\$132,225	\$742,537

*Note this differs to financial year of payment

PART 6: SIGN OFF

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

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

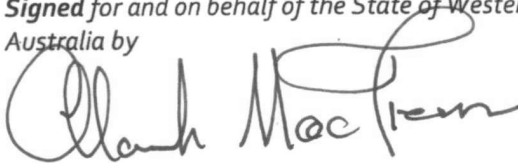


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23.3.21
Date

**The Honourable David Littleproud MP
Minister for Agriculture, Drought and Emergency Management**

*Signed for and on behalf of the State of Western
Australia by*



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25.4.21
Date

**The Honourable Alannah MacTiernan MLC
Minister for Agriculture and Food**