

Mosquito Control in the Torres Strait Protected Zone

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT - HEALTH

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Additional terms	<p>For the purposes of this Schedule, control of <i>Aedes albopictus</i> in the Torres Strait will be achieved through the following activities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Monitoring and responding to current distributions of <i>Aedes albopictus</i> in the Torres Strait region. 2. Applying, developing, and evaluating best-practice control tools to prevent the expansion of <i>Aedes albopictus</i> beyond the Torres Strait. 3. Increasing stakeholder activity in controlling container-breeding mosquitoes in the region through organisations such as the Torres Strait Council, which will raise community awareness and mobilisation and organise clean-up campaigns. 																								

4. Collaborating with a range of partners to improve knowledge in the Torres Strait and Northern Peninsula Area regarding the prevention of mosquito-borne diseases including the Environmental Health and Vector Control section of the Torres and Cape Hospital and Health Services, the Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council and the local newspaper, Torres News.
5. Eliminating *Aedes albopictus* when detected inside the "cordon sanitaire" area (Thursday Island and Horn Island) or on the mainland.

Queensland will provide annual performance reports, at the times specified in Table 2, that contain a description of actual performance and information that demonstrates achievement of the outputs and describes activities by Queensland in the period to date against the project milestones. This may include relevant statistics for surveillance, control and elimination and any indication of changes to the local capacity for vector management. Each report is to include details of any matter(s) that have arisen which could adversely impact on the delivery of the output, and how Queensland proposes to resolve this/these matter(s). The high-level evaluation report shall include the above reporting requirements as well as a description of lessons learned, benefits, and outcomes of the activities delivered over 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2028.

The Parties agree and commit to participating in Biannual Teleconferences in the last week of May and November each year, until the completion of this Schedule, to discuss progress and identify any arising issues.

Table 2: Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary

Output	Performance milestones	Report due	Payment
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Surveillance, control and, where possible, elimination of <i>Aedes albopictus</i> mosquitoes at the main population and transport hubs of the Torres Strait. 2. Increasing local capacity for vector management in Torres Strait communities regarding dengue fever, Zika virus and other mosquito borne diseases. 3. Surveillance for early detection of <i>Aedes albopictus</i> incursions from Torres Strait or internationally into Cape York Peninsula communities and north Queensland mainland. 	<p>Provision of a work plan for the delivery of surveillance and control an <i>Aedes albopictus</i> mosquitoes at the main population and transport hubs of the Torres Strait; and increasing local capacity for vector management in communities regarding mosquito borne diseases. Workplan is for the 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2028 period.</p> <p>Provision of an annual Performance report on activities delivered in accordance with the output of this Schedule over the 1 July 2024 to 31 March 2025 period. Report should detail activity against the Workplan.</p>	30/04/2025	0.926 m
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	<p>Provision of a high-level evaluation report on activities delivered over the 1 July 2024 to 30 June 2028 period including outstanding reporting periods, lessons learned, benefits, and outcomes of the activities. Refer to first milestone and Additional Terms for details on reporting.</p>	30/09/2028	Nil
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The Parties have confirmed their commitment to this schedule as follows:

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



The Honourable Mark Butler MP
Minister for Health and Aged Care

19/11/2024

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



The Honourable Tim Nicholls MP
Minister for Health and Ambulance Services

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