

National Plant Health Surveillance Program

FEDERATION FUNDING AGREEMENT – ENVIRONMENT

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Parties	Commonwealth New South Wales Victoria Queensland Western Australia South Australia Tasmania Australian Capital Territory Northern Territory																																														
Duration	This Schedule is expected to expire on 30 June 2029.																																														
Purpose	<p>This Schedule will support Australia’s plant biosecurity system through the National Plant Health Surveillance Program (NPHSP).</p> <p>The program focuses on early detection of national priority plant pests that can enter and establish in Australia. The program is implemented through effective collaboration with all Australian jurisdictions and aims to minimise the impact of pest incursions on agricultural industries, environmental assets and communities through timely pest detection, and provide surveillance data that supports trade and market access.</p>																																														
Estimated financial contributions	<p>The Commonwealth will provide an estimated total financial contribution to the States of \$5.0m in respect of this Schedule.</p>																																														
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Additional terms	<p>The details of the implementation of this Agreement are provided in the <i>National Policy for Implementing the National Plant Health Surveillance Program</i> (the National Policy), which has been agreed by All Parties to this Schedule through the Plant Health Committee (PHC).</p> <p>The States will nominate a surveillance coordinator to be the primary point of contact for the duration of the NPHSP and will ensure that their contact details are provided in writing to the Commonwealth should the surveillance coordinator change.</p> <p>The States will be responsible for delivering the NPHSP in their respective states in accordance with an operational plan. This operational plan details surveillance activity for a specified period within the State and aligns to the national implementation plan developed by the Commonwealth and agreed with Parties.</p> <p>The States will be responsible for collecting surveillance data in accordance with the National Pest Record Specification and the NPHSP Program Data Standard. Surveillance data will be uploaded into the agreed national surveillance data aggregation system within the performance standard (timeframe) specified in the National Policy.</p> <p>The States will be responsible for providing a financial and/or in-kind contribution to support the NPHSP implementation, matching the Commonwealth contributions, as provided in Table 1 above. The State will commit these resources for delivery of the NPHSP annually through the operational plan. A Financial Report detailing resourcing provided and expenditure will be required annually.</p>					

Table 2G: Australian Capital Territory – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary				
Performance milestones	Report due (each financial year)	Commonwealth Payments (each financial year from 2025-2027)	Commonwealth Payments (each financial year from 2027-2029)	
Annual Operational Plan outlining the surveillance to be conducted in the jurisdiction during the period accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	15 August	\$34,515	\$35,410	
Midterm Report summarising progress against the Operational Plan and any issues encountered accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	31 January	\$34,515	\$35,410	
Final Report outlining the surveillance delivered during the period, any issues encountered, and a financial report accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	30 June	Nil	Nil	
	Annual Total:	\$69,030	\$70,820	

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

Signed for and on behalf of the Commonwealth of Australia by



The Honourable Julie Collins MP

Minister for Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry

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Signed for and on behalf of the Australian Capital Territory by



Ms Suzanne Orr MLA

Minister for Climate Change, Environment, Energy and Water

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Table 2H: Northern Territory – Performance requirements, reporting and payment summary				
Performance milestones	Report due (each financial year)	Commonwealth Payments (each financial year from 2025-2027)	Commonwealth Payments (each financial year from 2027-2029)	
Annual Operational Plan outlining the surveillance to be conducted in the jurisdiction during the period accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	15 August	\$66,030	\$66,490	
Midterm Report summarising progress against the Operational Plan and any issues encountered accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	31 January	\$66,030	\$66,490	
Final Report outlining the surveillance delivered during the period, any issues encountered, and a financial report accepted by the Commonwealth. Surveillance data uploaded in accordance with the Additional Terms.	30 June	Nil	Nil	
	Annual Total:	\$132,060	\$132,980	

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