

18TH General Meeting

29 May 2019

Welcome

Improving national biosecurity outcomes through partnerships



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1.0 Chairman's Welcome

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2.0 Ordinary Business

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2.1 Administrative Arrangements

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2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Quorum

The Company Secretary will confirm that a quorum is present.

78.1 Number

The quorum for a general meeting is 5 Government Members and 5 Plant Industry Members, such Members present in person or by Representative, attorney or proxy, and the quorum must be present at all times during the meeting.

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Voting at meetings

- Show of hands or poll if demanded
- Member vote may be exercised by Nominated Representative or by Proxy
- On a show of hands each Member has 1 vote. A proxy with 2 or more appointments that specify different ways to vote cannot vote on a show of hands (section 250A (4) (b))
- Poll – votes in accordance with prescribed votes held by Member
- Poll - General resolutions – simple majority + 60% Government/Industry Member support of poll
- Poll - Special resolutions - 75% majority + 60% Government/Industry Member support of poll

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Returning Officer

If required, the Chair intends to use:

- If a poll is demanded in accordance with clause 88.1, the Chair intends to use the **Company Secretary** as Returning Officer to assist with voting, vote counting and assessing the validity of proxies.
- Members will be given the opportunity to appoint a **Scrutineer** to observe the voting process, report irregularities and verify voting outcomes.

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

82 Members' Representatives and Attorneys

82.1 Appointment

Subject to clause 83, a Member must appoint, in accordance with clause 82.6, at least one individual as a Representative to exercise all or any of the powers the Member may exercise:

- *at general meetings*
- *at meetings of creditors or debenture holders; and*
- *relating to resolutions to be passed without meetings.*
- *the appointment may be a standing one.*

82.6 Member to notify change

Each Member must promptly notify the Secretary in writing of any change to its Representative.

83 Representative of Government Members

The Representative of each Government Member is the person from time to time holding the office of Minister of the Crown for that Government responsible for agriculture, or a person nominated by that Minister for the purpose of this clause 83.

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Notice of Meeting

Notice of meeting together with explanatory notes were mailed within the Corporations Act timeframe.

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Proxies	
ACT Government	Chairman
Australian Forest Products Association	Chairman
Australian Ginger Industry Association	Chairman
Australian Table Grape Association	Chairman
Australian Tea Tree Industry Association	Chairman
Australian Truffle Growers' Association	Chairman
AUSVEG	Chairman
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries QLD	Salvo Vitelli
Department of Primary Industry and Resources NT	Chairman
Dried Fruits Australia	Jenny Treeby
Grain Producers Australia	Maddison McNeil
GROWCOM	Dianne Fullelove
NSWDPI	Satendra Kumar

2.2 Apologies

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2.2 Apologies Received

Government Members	
ACT Government	Ian Walker
ACT Government	Stephen Hughes
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries Queensland	Malcolm Letts
Department of Primary Industries and Regional Development WA	Katherine Clift
Department of Primary Industry & Fisheries NT	Alister Trier
Department of Primary Industry & Fisheries NT	Anne Walters
Department of Primary Industry & Fisheries NT	Sarah Corcoran
NSW DPI	Bruce Christie

2.2 Apologies Received

Industry Members	
Australian Banana Growers' Council	Michelle McKinlay
Australian Forest Products Association	Natalie Hazelwood
Australian Ginger Industry Association Incorporated	Russell Parbery
Australian Macadamia Society	Jolyon Burnett
Australian Processing Tomato Research Council	Bill Ashcroft
Australian Sweetpotato Growers	John Maltby
Australian Sweetpotato Growers	Rodney Wolfenden
Australian Table Grape Association	Jeff Scott
Australian Tea Tree Industry	Tony Larkman
Australian Truffle Growers' Association	Peter Stahle
Australian Walnut Industry Association	Derek Goulet
AUSVEG	Callum Fletcher

2.2 Apologies Received

Industry Members

Chestnuts Australia Incorporated	Tanya Edwards
Cotton Australia	Sally Ceeney
Dried Fruits Australia	Anne Mansell
Grain Producers Australia	Barry Large
GROWCOM	Janine Clark
Nursery & Garden Australia	John McDonald

2.2 Apologies Received

Associate Members

Australian Grape and Wine Authority	Sharon Harvey
CSIRO	Andy Sheppard
GRDC	Ken Young
Horticulture Innovation Australia	Penny Measham
Vinehealth Australia	Inca Pearce

2.3 Minutes of PHA 18th Annual General Meeting

Held on 27 November 2018



2.4 Chairman's Address

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2.4 Chairman's Address

Mr Steve McCutcheon, Chairman of PHA, will address the 18th General Meeting, providing an overview of PHA operations and critical developments.

The Chairman's address will be available on PHA's website www.phau.com.au following this meeting.

2.5 2018/19 Performance Report

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2016–21 Strategic Plan

Summary



Strategic Plan 2016–21

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

Purpose

The purpose of Plant Health Australia is to co-ordinate strong industry and government partnerships that minimise plant pest impacts on Australia, boosting industry productivity and profitability while enhancing market access

Vision

PHA is recognised nationally and internationally as the independent and trusted coordinator of a robust, shared and integrated Australian plant biosecurity system

KEY RESULT AREAS

- 1 PARTNERSHIPS
- 2 EPPFD
- 3 PREPAREDNESS
- 4 SURVEILLANCE
- 5 DIAGNOSTICS
- 6 RDGE
- 7 COMPANY HEALTH

STRATEGIES & KEY PERFORMANCE INDICATORS

STRENGTHEN PARTNERSHIPS

- Strong working relationship with members
- Stakeholder engagement broadened along the value chain
- Established relationships with international partners
- Awareness programs expanded
- Farm biosecurity program strengthened

ENHANCE OPERATION AND INTEGRITY OF THE EPPFD

- Signatories comply with EPPFD obligations
- EPPFD review outcomes implemented
- Enhancement of policy and activities to promote early pest reporting
- Increased emergency response capacity and capability

DEVELOP PEST MANAGEMENT AND PREPAREDNESS PROGRAMS

- Improved national management of recently introduced pests
- Established framework for management of exotic weeds and pests of pastures
- Programs for management of nationally significant pests established
- Risks identified and managed

FACILITATE A NATIONALLY CO-ORDINATED SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM

- Surveillance programs for nationally significant pests established
- Uptake of new surveillance technology
- Increased industry capacity
- Nationally co-ordinated data management

IMPROVE THE DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEM

- Nationally co-ordinated diagnostic network
- Increased protocol coverage for Emergency Plant Pests
- Improved diagnostic capability

CO-ORDINATE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANT BIOSECURITY RDGE

- AGSOC Plant Biosecurity RDGE Plan implemented
- Nationally agreed RDGE priorities
- Monitor RDGE activities, capability and capacity
- Increased ability to fund plant biosecurity RDGE activities

MANAGE THE COMPANY EFFECTIVELY

- Attract and retain key staff skills
- PHA is in a sound financial position
- Legal and regulatory compliance obligations met
- Timely and accurate reporting

OPERATIONAL PLANS

ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN

Guides business to achieve strategic direction



2018/19 Annual Operational Plan



2018/19 Mid-year Performance Report



2018/2019 Performance

	Actual YTD March	Forecast 2018/19	Budget 2018/19	Forecast variance to Budget
Revenues from Ordinary Activities				
Member subscriptions	2,628,100	2,628,100	2,628,100	0
Project funding	5,502,063	7,001,581	7,001,581	0
Interest income	204,190	277,087	195,487	81,600
Total Revenue	8,334,353	9,906,768	9,825,168	81,600
Expenditure	7,590,899	9,876,357	9,830,757	45,600
Net Surplus	743,454	30,411	5,589	36,000

Partnerships

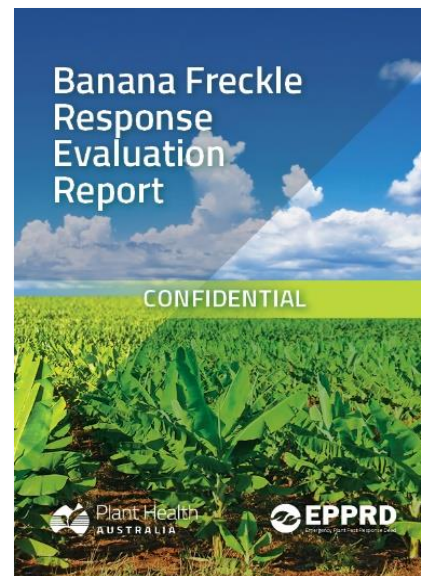
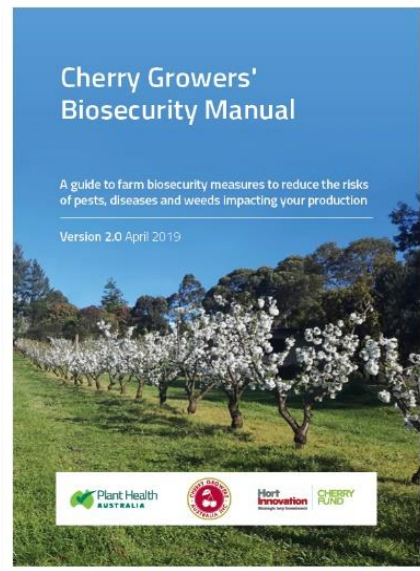
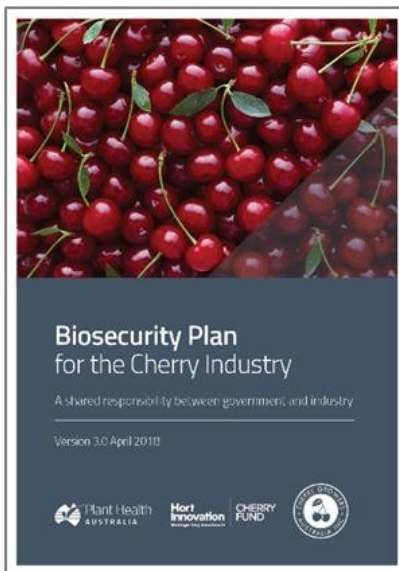
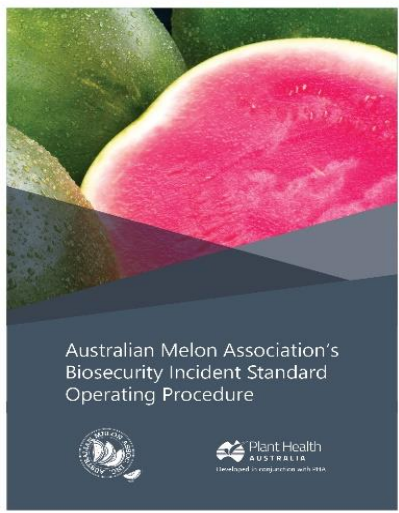
- National Committees: NBC, NCEN, Northern Australia Biosecurity Framework Reference Group, PHC, SDQMA and others supported
- Pacific Plant Biosecurity Partnership
- Continue to expand Biosecurity Portal, particularly the CCEPP and preparedness sites
- NFFC phase 3 agreed and funded
- Farm Biosecurity Program (joint AHA / PHA program) continues to be developed
- Undertaking study on value of an on farm biosecurity fellowship
- Biosecurity Programs for Avocados, Mangoes and Grape and Wine being finalised



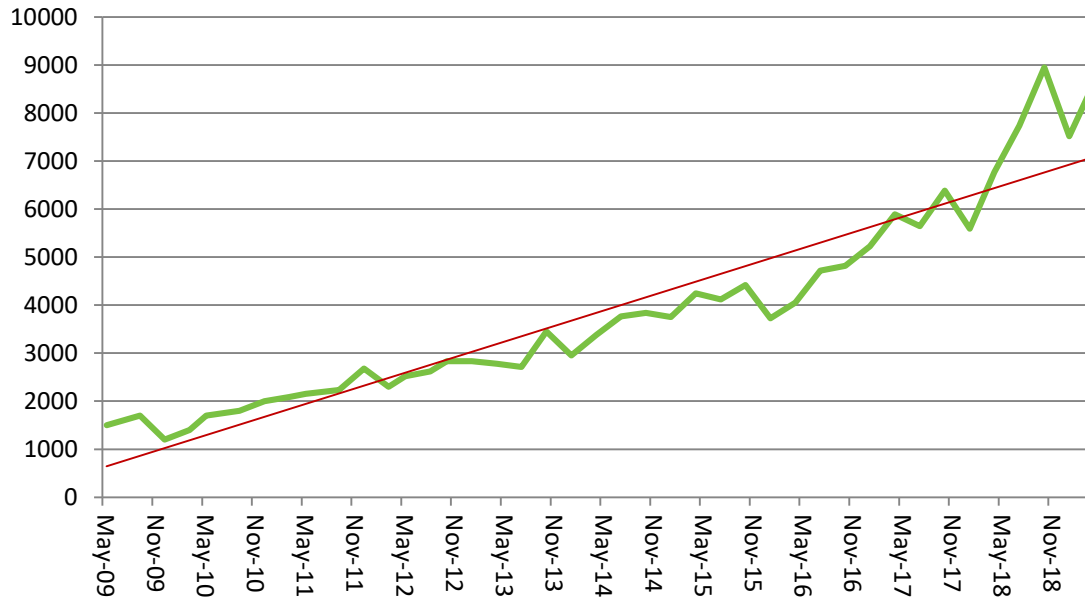
A screenshot of the Biosecurity Portal website. At the top left is the Biosecurity PORTAL logo, which consists of an orange circle with a white dot inside, followed by the text "Biosecurity PORTAL". To the right of the logo are two buttons: "REGISTER ACCOUNT" and "SIGN IN". Below the logo is a navigation menu with "ABOUT THE BIOSECURITY PORTAL" and a search bar labeled "SEARCH ALL SITES". The main content area features a link "BACK TO HOME" and a heading "Consultative Committee on Emergency Plant Pests". Below the heading is a paragraph of text: "The Consultative Committee on Emergency Plant Pests (CCEPP) is the key technical coordinating body providing the link between the Australian Government, state and territory governments, industry, Plant Health Australia (PHA) and the National Management Group (NMG) for plant pest emergencies. Its role is to co-ordinate the national technical response to emergency plant pests, and to advise meetings of the NMG on emergency plant pest issues in accordance with the Emergency Plant Pest Response Deed". Below this is another paragraph: "To maintain the strict security around the information pertaining to each Emergency Response, access to this site is restricted to the Secretariat of the CCEPP and authorised CCEPP Members." There is a button labeled "ENTER SITE" and a section titled "ENQUIRIES". At the bottom, there is a line of text: "For further information, access or assistance please email the administrator of the CCEPP site." followed by the email address "CCEPP_admin@phau.com.au".

Partnerships- levy funded activities

- Grains Farm Biosecurity Program Continues
 - Silo surveillance program underway
 - GBOs have presented to numerous meetings
 - NSW lupin anthracnose outbreak eradicated– GBO involved
 - SA Khapra beetle incident eradicated – GBO involved
 - Website in development
- Vegetable Biosecurity Program being renegotiated
 - Focus on surveillance
 - Materials in languages other than English developed
 - Pilot per-urban biosecurity program conducted
- Existing citrus biosecurity program extended
- Ongoing NGIA support to develop training videos
- Banana program continuing



PHA website visits per month



	PHA	Farm Biosecurity	BeeAware	Prevent Fruit Fly	Aus Interstate Quarantine
Sessions	25,860	40,325	52,172	11,629	50,633
Users	18,306	32,729	42,688	10,069	39,830
Overseas visitors	8% (USA)	13% (USA)	40% USA	14% (USA)	5% (USA)
Newsletter subscribers (as of 6 April)	Tendrils, 1,148	Farm Biosecurity News, 2,303	BeeAware Newsletter, 2,622	Prevent Fruit Fly Newsletter, 305	



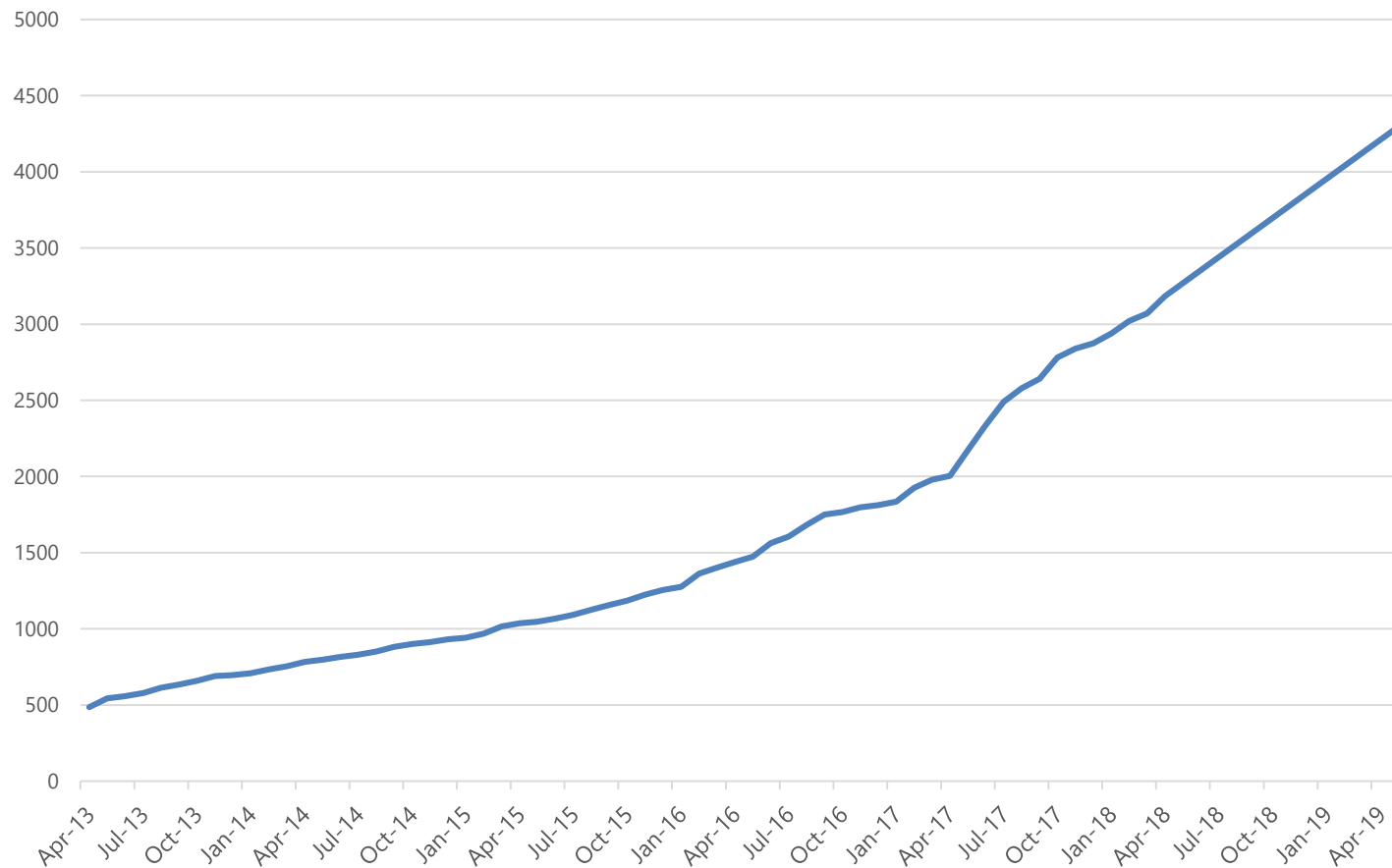
Emergency Response

- Financial activities in wrapping up responses (banana freckle, khapra beetle, exotic fruit flies in the Torres Strait, tomato potato psyllid, Brown marmorated stink bug)
- Citrus canker response activities
- Implementation of recommendations from the EPPRD Review and Incident debriefs
- ORC frameworks endorsed, assessments reviews and debrief commenced
- Continued delivery of tailored face to face plant biosecurity training at the request of members
- Exercises – Varroa mite, Xylella, exotic Ramu shoot borer
- New BOLT course (reporting) released

Emergency Response

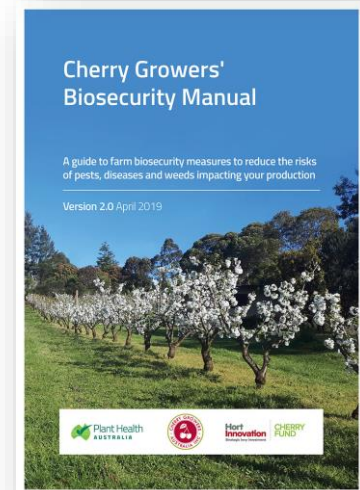
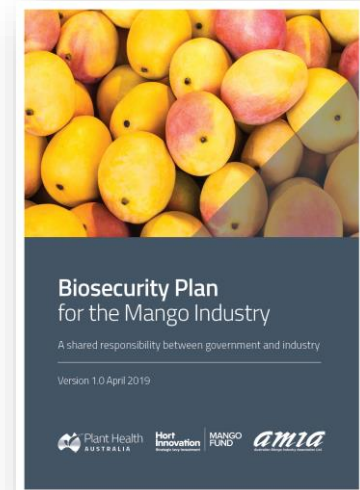
- Biosecurity Incident Standard Operating Procedure – Established and first workshop undertaken
- Review of signatories Normal Commitments
- Issue Resolutions Groups
 - Categorisation
 - Improved decision making
 - Equity for impacted owners
 - Application of the EPPRD and the border
 - Vector/pathogen complexes
- Financial needs analysis underway
- CCEPP Portal improvements – revised site launched
- PLANTPLAN Reviewed

BOLT users



Preparedness

- Biosecurity Plans
 - Work progressing on the following BPs: avocados, ginger, mangoes, strawberries/rubus (berry combined), summerfruit, sweetpotatoes, tea tree and viticulture
 - Reference panels held for bananas, onions, vegetables, potatoes and cherries
 - Funding applications in for forestry, honeybee, production nursery and small tropical fruit crops
 - Manual completed for cherries
- Environmental biosecurity
 - Work progressing to adapt the Environmental Acacia Biosecurity Plan



Preparedness

- Bee Biosecurity Officers
 - 5 BBOs active across Australia with Qld position being recruited
 - Active in promoting the Bee Code of Practice
 - Workshops for beekeepers to undertake the online BOLT training course
- Bee Health and Resources
 - Annual survey to assess beekeeper knowledge of biosecurity and the Code of Practice
 - Over 4000 participants in 2018 Bee Health Survey
 - Progressing the development of a bee pest identification app
- Working with PHC to develop a program to review the current interstate trade arrangements
 - With the aim to ensure the system remains contemporary and suitable for purpose



Preparedness

- Fruit Fly Preparedness
 - contract complete
 - Work continues on new Management Protocols
- PHA involved in the national review of methyl bromide fumigation
- Strategic National Phylloxera Management Project
 - One of the nationally significant endemic pests
 - Ongoing discussions with wine, table grapes, dried fruit producers and researchers
 - Development of a proposal detailing options for future national phylloxera management
 - National workshop planned for 26 June 2019



Surveillance and Diagnostics

- Continued to work with SNPHS and SPHD, expanding networks, training and launching new web sites
- Northern Australia Biosecurity Surveillance
 - Communicating pest pathways into and within northern Australia
 - Increasing capability and capacity for surveillance in the mango industry
 - Gaining an understanding of smaller tropical fruit industries
- Botanic garden surveillance network
- National collation of surveillance data – *AUSPestCheck*
 - Working with all jurisdictions to capture data from the National Plant Health Surveillance Program
 - Proof of concept to capture animal health data
 - Framework for determining Area Freedom
- Annual Diagnostic and Surveillance Workshops 2019

Surveillance and Diagnostics

Development of industry surveillance strategies in 2019

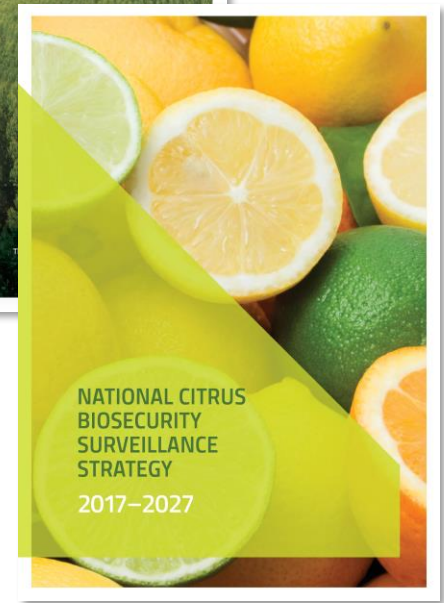
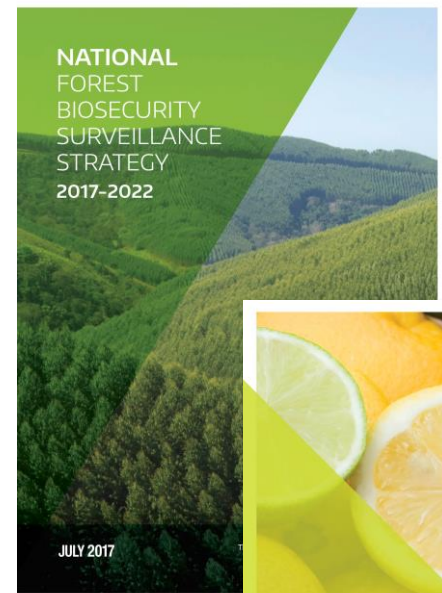
- Temperate fruit crops
- Potato industry
- Grains
- Tropical crops

Industry surveillance programs

- National Bee Pest Surveillance Program
- National Citrus Biosecurity Program
- National Forest Biosecurity Program



**NATIONAL
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BIOSECURITY**



RD&E

- AGSOC Cross Sectoral Plant Biosecurity Strategy being rewritten
- Workshops held and audits carried out
 - Pasture Biosecurity Workshop held in August 2018
 - Viticulture audit well advanced
 - Nematology capacity and capability inventory underway
 - Bacteriology capacity and capability inventory underway
- Meetings with AHA on biosecurity RD&E strategies
- Collaboration with PBRI



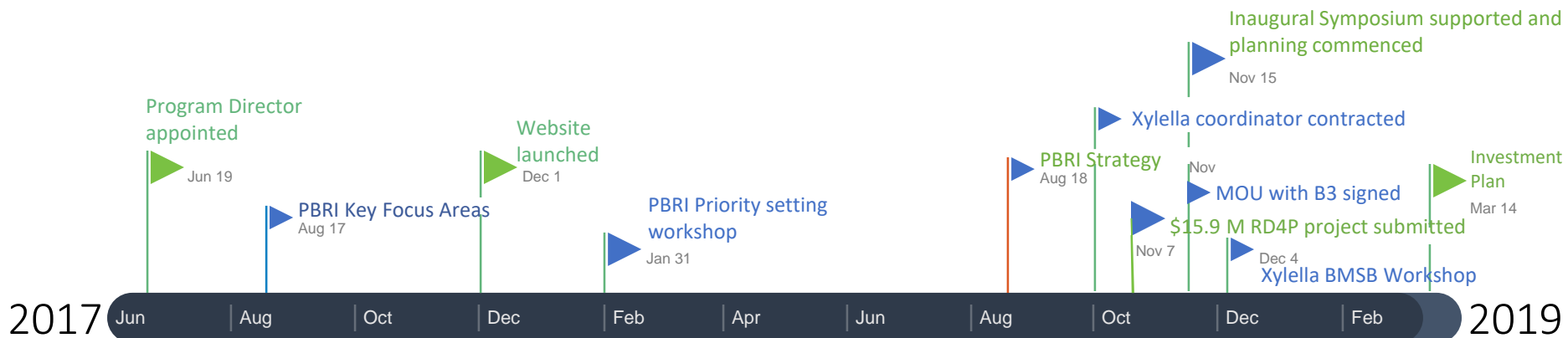


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Members



PBRI Timeline



PBRI Projects

Cross-sectoral project	Status	Total project value	Cash/in-kind
PBRI Program Director and PBRI establishment and review	CONTRACTED	\$740,921	cash only
RR&D4P iMAPpests - (national cross-industry surveillance project)	CONTRACTED	\$21,657,000	cash and in-kind
Xylella coordinator position jointly by Wine Australia and Hort Innovation	CONTRACTED	\$495,000	cash only
PBRI inaugural Plant Biosecurity RD&E Symposium	CONTRACTED	\$66,554	cash only
National Xylella diagnostic project	Under contracting	\$2,334,842	cash and in-kind
Review of the Biosecurity Plan and Manual for the Viticulture Industry (Wine and Horticulture)	CONTRACTED	\$146,203	cash and in-kind
Rapid diagnostic screening for Post Entry Quarantine	CONTRACTED	\$1,851,625	cash and in-kind
RR&D4P Boosting National Diagnostics	Successful outcome - not contracted	\$15,709,000	cash and in-kind
CONTRACTED TOTAL		\$43,001,145	

Company Health

Levy Activity

- PHA Levy established for 22 industries.
 - grains, AUSVEG, citrus, honey bees, NGIA, bananas, wine grapes, sweet potatoes, mangoes, melons, apples and pears, rice, avocados, onions, cotton, olives, chestnut, cherries, summerfruit, pineapples, strawberries and forestry
- Positive EPPR levies established 10 industries
 - grains, bananas, mangoes, honey bees, chestnuts, forestry, Almonds, Apple and Pear, Macadamias and Ausveg
 - Nil rate established in another 17 industries

Company Health

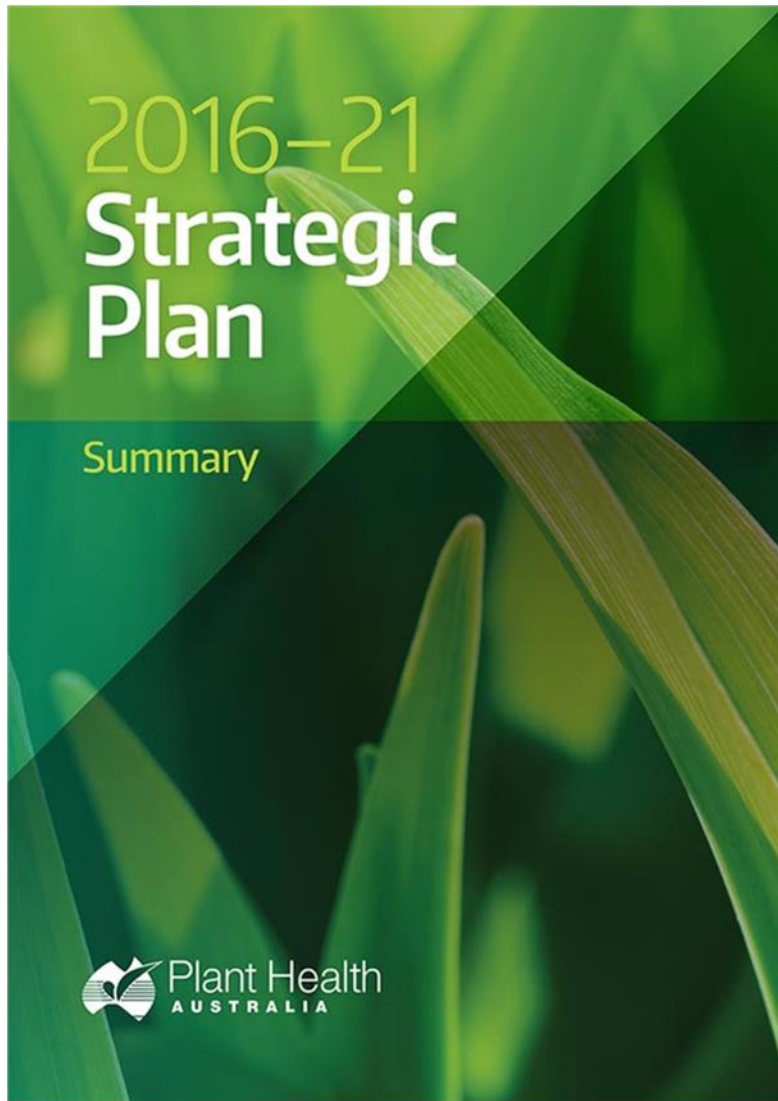
Levy Activity

- Positive EPPR levies most recently established for Macadamias and Ausveg
- PHA Levy for other biosecurity activities
 - Grains Farm Biosecurity program
 - AUSVEG on farm program
 - Citrus program extended – planning to expand surveillance program
 - Honey Bee Biosecurity Officer program
 - NGIA program focused on training videos supporting on farm biosecurity
 - Banana Emergency Response
 - Melon industry biosecurity program
 - Avocado biosecurity program
 - Mango biosecurity program
 - Australian Grape and Wine Biosecurity program
 - Consultative costs e.g. Sweet Potatoes, Strawberries, Pineapples, Rice growers

2.6 Annual Operating Plan (AOP) 2019/20

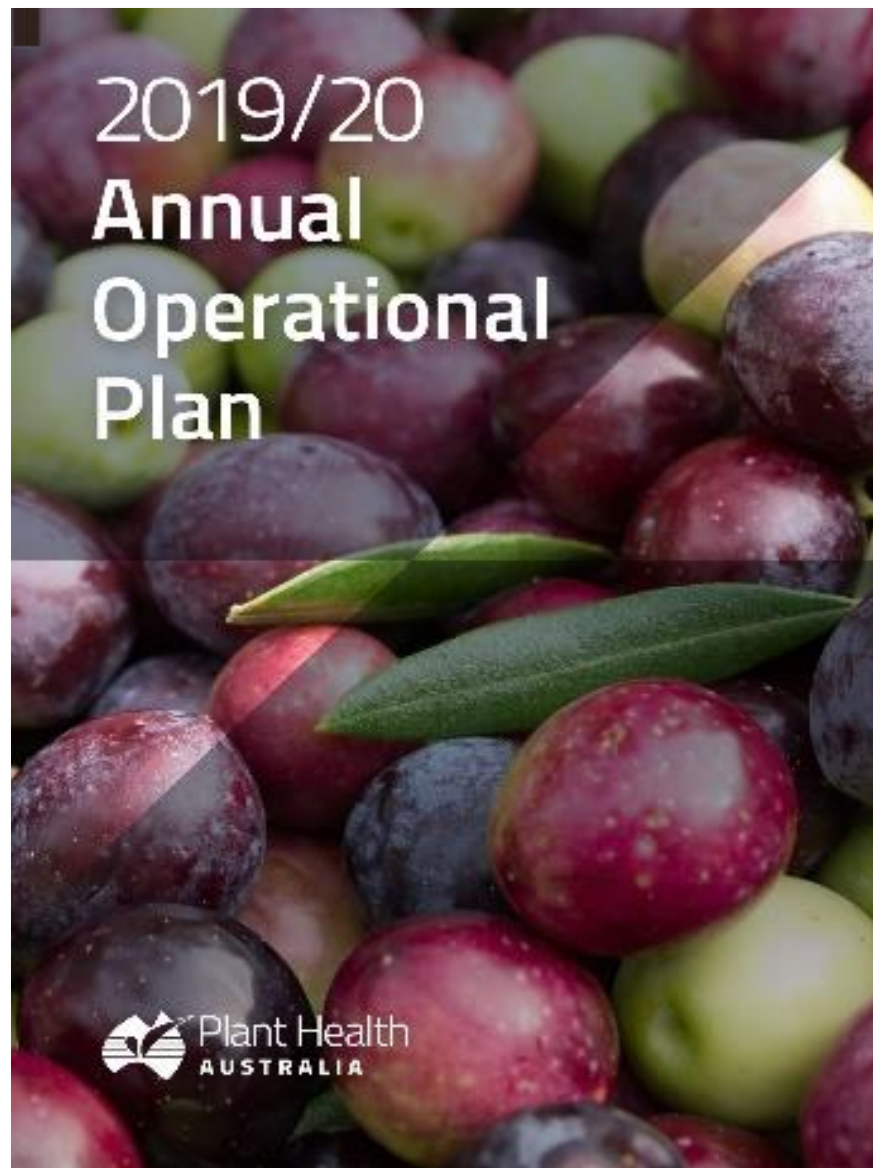
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2019/20 AOP is based on 7 Key Result Areas (KRAs) identified in the 2016-21 Strategic Plan

- ✓ Partnerships
- ✓ EPPRD
- ✓ Preparedness
- ✓ Surveillance
- ✓ Diagnostics
- ✓ RD&E
- ✓ Company Health



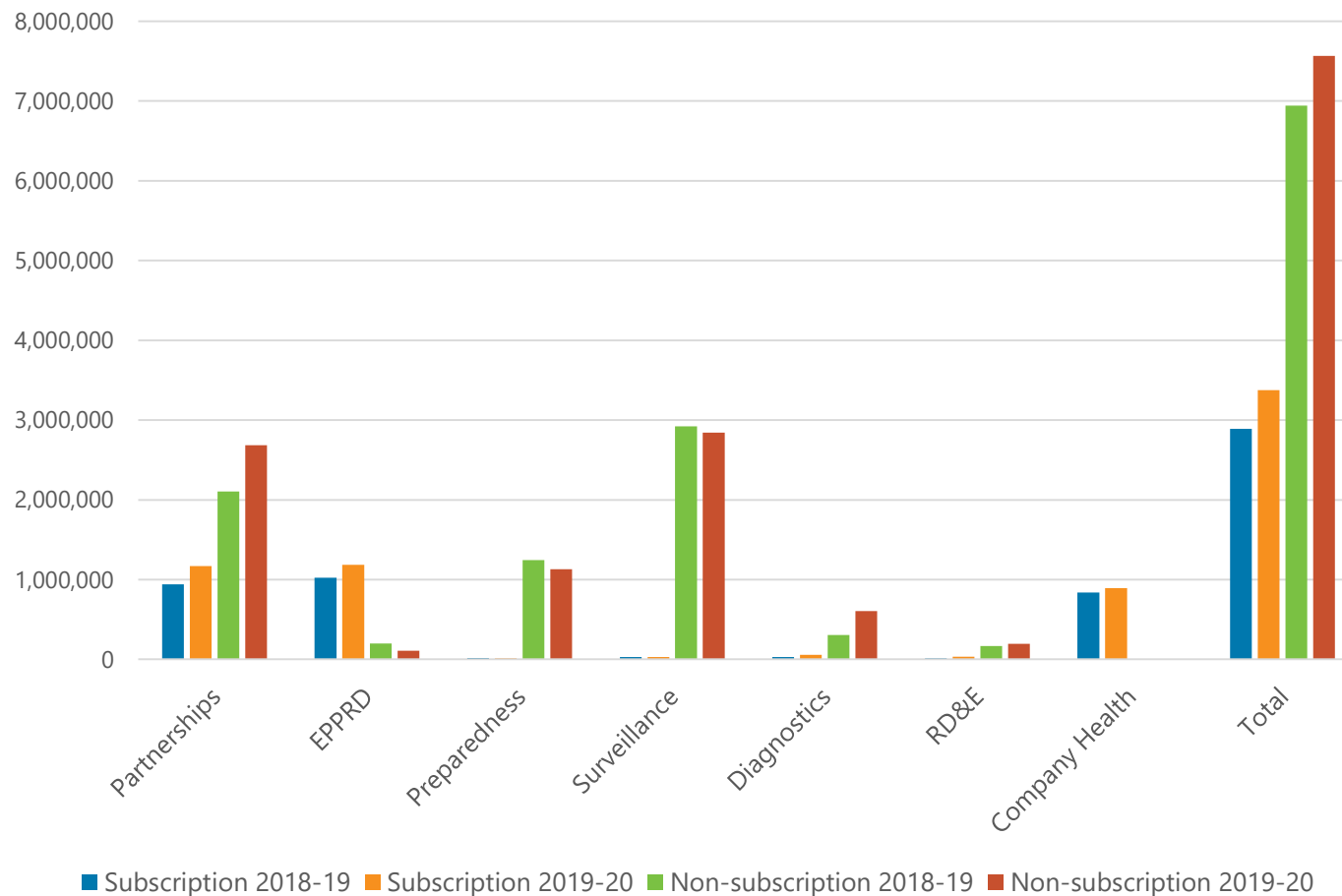
2019/20 Annual Operational Plan

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Overall Income and Expenditure

2019–20	\$	%
Income:		
Subscription	2,662,000	24.4
Non-subscription	8,035,539	73.6
Interest	219,059	2.0
Total income	10,916,598	100.0
Expenditure:		
Partnerships	3,851,873	35.2
EPPRD	1,293,345	11.8
Preparedness	1,140,779	10.4
Surveillance	2,868,240	26.2
Diagnostics	662,448	6.1
RD&E	227,768	2.1
Company health	892,171	8.2
Total expenditure	10,936,624	100.0
Result: surplus (deficit)	(20,026)	

Subscription and Non subscription funded activities



Partnerships

- Contribution to National Committees: NBC, NCN, Northern Australia Biosecurity Framework Reference Group, PHC, SDQMA and others continues
- Continue the Farm Biosecurity Program (joint AHA / PHA program)
- Sponsor a on-farm biosecurity fellowship
- Continue to expand Biosecurity Portal
- Implementation of Phase 3 of the NFFC
 - New manager and support person appointed
 - Refreshed strategy released
- Biosecurity Programs for avocados, mangoes and grape and wine, vegetables & melons in place

Partnerships

- Implement Grain biosecurity strategy with GPA, Bulk handlers, GRDC and DAWR
- NPBS Strategy review initiated
 - 2 sub strategies under NPBS – diagnostics, surveillance under review
 - New sub strategy – Preparedness in development
- Diagnostics and Surveillance network coordinator in place
- PaDIL transferred to PHA and system upgrades developed
- Mangrove environmental biosecurity/ stakeholder mapping project complete



Emergency Response

- Ongoing eradication programs including chestnut blight, varroa mite, citrus canker, Torres Strait FF
- Resolving financial aspects and undertaking debriefs for responses coming to an end
- Continue to promote the National EPP Training Program
- Biosecurity Incident Standard Operating Procedures developed
- Continued delivery of tailored face to face plant biosecurity training at the request of members
- Industry liaison training delivered
- Exercise Blueprint (cotton scenario)

Emergency Response

- National Biosecurity Response Team engagement
- Prepare for 2020 review of the EPPRD
- Review of Parties Normal Commitments ongoing
- PLANTPLAN review
- National guidance and overarching framework for ORCs
- Categorisation policy progressed
- Equity for impacted owners resolved
- New and ongoing Incidents?

Preparedness

- Biosecurity Plans and Manuals
 - BPs on a 5 year timeframe with the engagement of an annual review and focus on implementation.
 - Complete BPs for avocados, berries, ginger, melons , summerfruit, sweet potato, tea tree and viticulture
 - Annual review of banana, cherry, onion, potato and vegetable, mangoes, sweet potatoes, tea tree, and summerfruit BPs
 - Complete manual for viticulture
 - Capability index updated at reference panels
 - Environmental Acacia plan complete
- Phylloxera project
 - Project finalised and report delivered to the Victorian Agriculture Department



Preparedness

- Bee Biosecurity Officers
 - BBOs in place in 6 states
 - BOLT course continued to be promoted
 - 2019 Bee Survey undertaken and bee identification app released
 - BBO program review initiated and completed
 - New BBO contracts in place for start of 2020/21 financial year
- Preparedness Portal
 - Preparedness data for all plant industries uploaded



Surveillance

- Completed Surveillance Strategies for
 - Tropical plant industries
 - Potatoes
 - Temperate Fruit plant industries
 - Grains
- Finalisation of projects for plant pest surveillance in northern Australia
- Continuation of the National Bee Pest Surveillance Program
- Further enhancements to *AUSPestCheck* for plant and animal data
- Community of Practice for Botanic Gardens Surveillance Network
- Sustainable funding arrangements for the National Citrus Biosecurity Program and National Forest Biosecurity Program
- Citrus Field Triage Workshop

Diagnostics

- Contribution to the Subcommittee on Plant Health Diagnostics
- Diagnostics and Surveillance Network Coordinator – enhance and expand networks
- National Plant Biosecurity Diagnostic Network activities
 - Annual Diagnosticians' Workshop 2020
 - Taxa and general skills professional development workshops
 - Diagnostic Residentials
- Development and review of National Diagnostic Protocols for NPPPs
- Implementing the National Plant Pest Reference Collections Strategy
 - Developing curation standards framework
 - Audit reference specimen coverage of NPPPs in Australian collections
- Continued development of the surge capacity laboratory workflow tool
- Proficiency testing program continuation

RD&E

- AGSOC Cross Sectoral Plant Biosecurity Strategy and Implementation
 - Revised strategy launched and linked to PBRI and other potential implementation partners
- Supporting role at Australasian Plant Pathology Conference
- Fusarium workshop held
- Complete nematology, bacterial and cross sectoral audits
- Planning for new audits and workshops






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Plant Biosecurity Research Symposium

15-16 August 2019

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Plant Biosecurity Research Symposium 2019

When | 15 and 16 August 2019
Where | The Edge, State Library, Brisbane

The two-day Plant Biosecurity Research Symposium will showcase current plant biosecurity research supported by the PBRI member organisations and delivered by a large range of research teams in Australia. This includes research on pests, diseases and weeds affecting plant production systems and surrounding ecosystems.

The program will include keynote speakers, presentations from research teams, and panel discussions on future priorities for PBRI. Importantly it will provide a forum for plant biosecurity networking and collaboration across sectors.

Under a recently signed MOU between PBRI and the Better Border Biosecurity NZ, this event will include presentations from New Zealand colleagues working on common biosecurity threats with the intention of future collaboration with Australian researchers.

A dedicated session on future biosecurity leaders will include presentations from up-and-coming leaders studying or working in the field of biosecurity. On-site mentored growers, industry representatives, researchers, students and biosecurity staff to save the date for this day one.

[Click here to view the program](#)

REGISTRATION: \$275.00 inc GST (including two day symposium, day catering plus a cocktail dinner on the evening of the Symposium Terrace)

[Click here to register](#)

Suggested accommodation options:

Hilton Empress Hotel South Brisbane
 Rydges South Brisbane
 Hilton Hotel Brisbane



PLANT BIOSECURITY RESEARCH INITIATIVE

Plant Biosecurity Research Symposium Program

Biosecurity RD&E collaboration across industries and the Tasman

15-16 August 2019 | The Edge, State Library Brisbane

Day 1 15 August 2019

8:00am	Registration
8:30am	PBRI Introduction - Jo Luck (Program Director, PBRI)
8:40am	Welcome to country
8:50am	Opening and welcome
9:00-9:30am	Keynote
	Session 1: Preparedness: Biosecurity threats and the risk to business - what have we learnt and are we prepared? Chair - Liz Waters (General Manager RD&E, Wine Australia)
	Morning tea - Poster viewing
	Session 2: Diagnostics: Identifying biosecurity threats. Chair - Michael Beer (General Manager Research, AgriFutures Australia)
	Lunch - Poster viewing
	Session 3: Surveillance: Monitoring for early detection and area freedom. Chair - Ken Young (Senior Manager Biosecurity and Regulation, Grains RDC)
	Afternoon tea - Poster viewing
	Session 4: Sustainable pest, disease and weed management: Minimising the risks to industry and the environment. Chair - David Moore (General Manager, Research, Marketing and Investments, Hort Innovation)
6:00pm	Cocktail dinner at the State Library Terrace Symposium address: 2020 - the International Year of Plant Health Kim Ritman (Australian Chief Plant Protection Officer, DAWR)

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9:00-9:30am	Keynote
	Session 5: Trans-Tasman biosecurity, collaboration and opportunities. Chair - David Teulon (Director, Better Border Biosecurity)
	Morning tea - Poster viewing
	Session 6: Capability building: Future expertise in biosecurity across sectors - are we prepared? Chair - Jodie Mason (Forest Research Manager, Forest and Wood Products Australia)
	Lunch - Poster viewing
	Session 7: Industry resilience: Business continuity and coping with future shocks. Chair - Michael O'Shea (General Manager Research Funding Unit, Sugar Research Australia)
	Afternoon tea
	Session 8: Expert panel cross-sectoral RD&E priorities for plant biosecurity. Chair - Susan Mason (Cotton Research and Development Corporation)
4:45pm	PBRI student prize - Tim Lester (Council of Rural RDCs)
4:50pm	Closing remarks/acknowledgements - Greg Fraser (PBRI Chairman, Plant Health Australia)











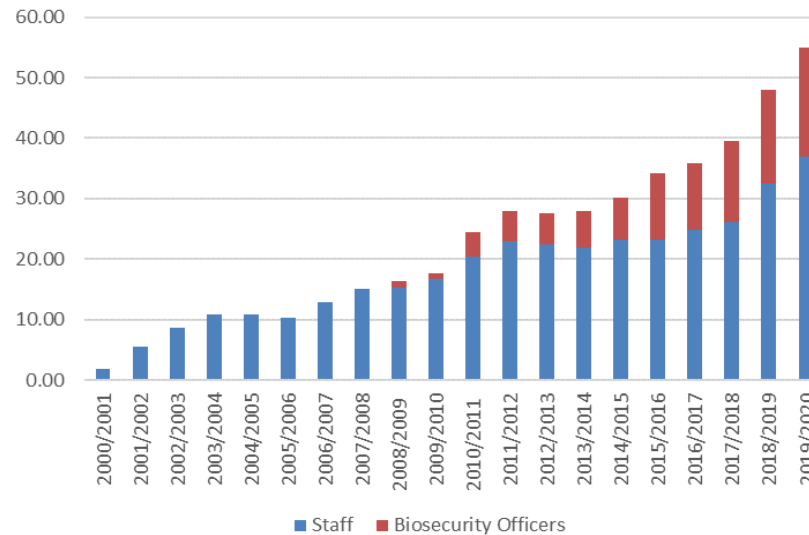


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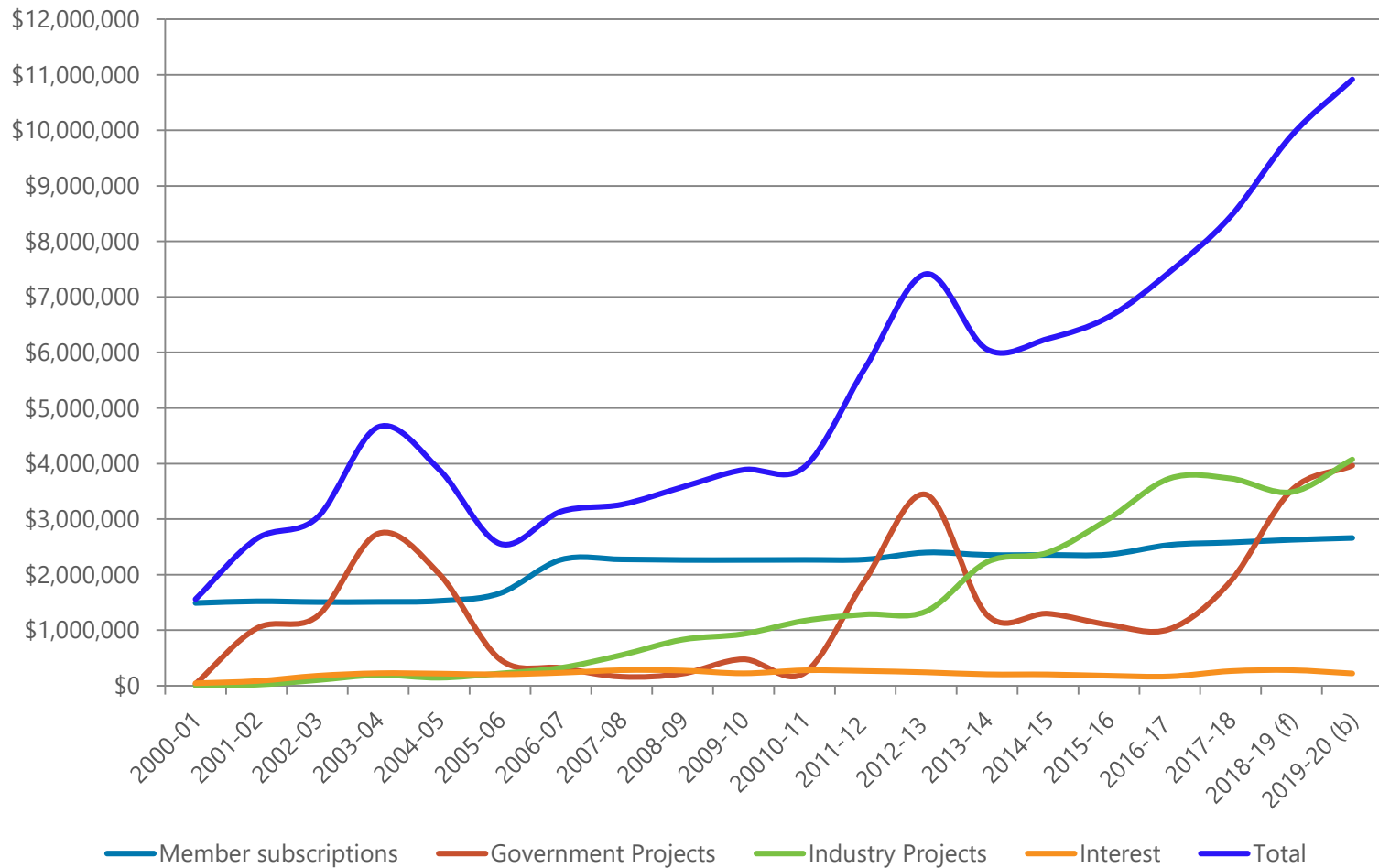
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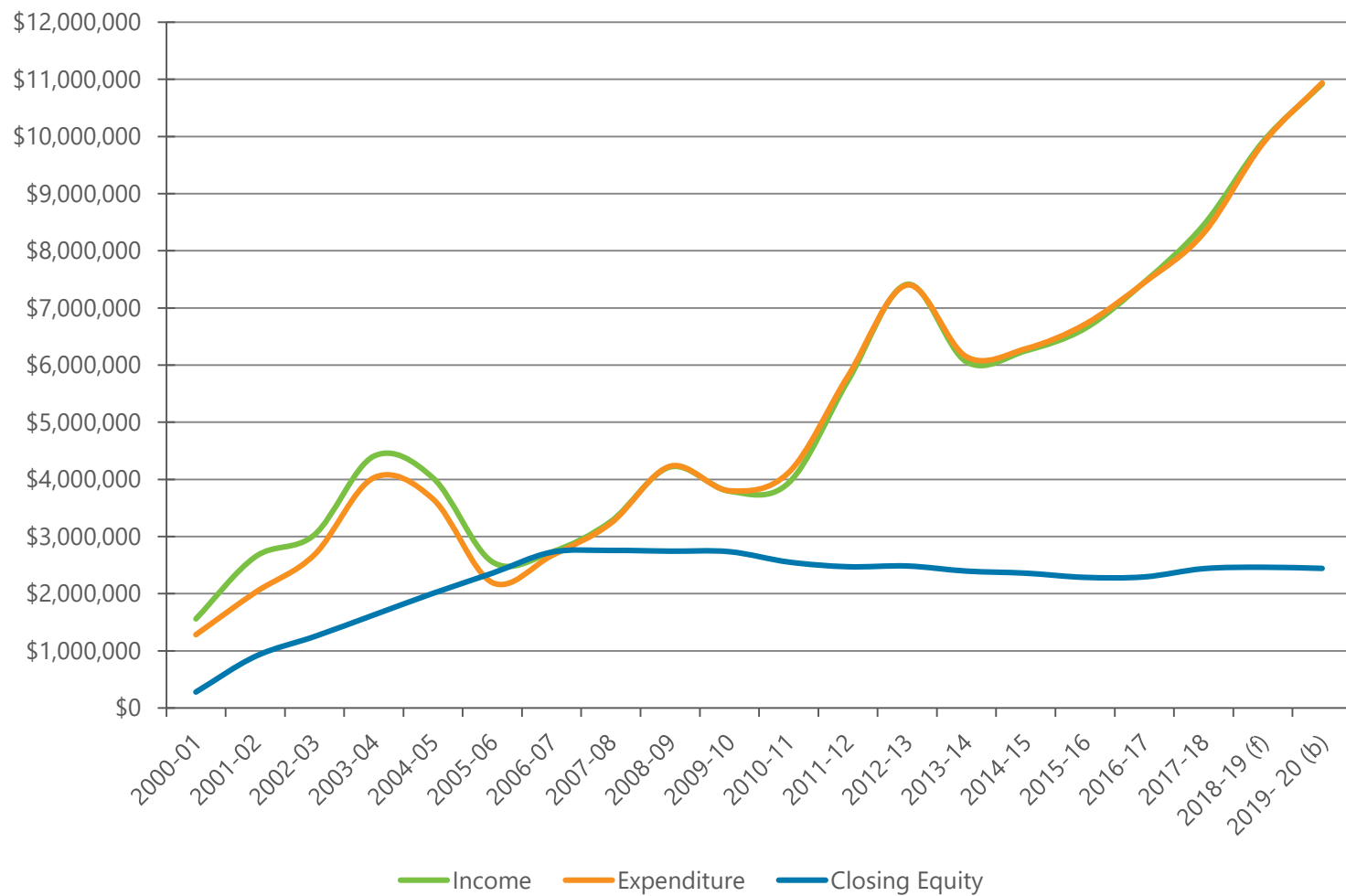
- Discussions are occurring with a number of Members regarding implementing or amending statutory levies in 2019/20
- At least one EPPR levy will be deactivated in the new year as repayment to the Commonwealth for underwriting emergency responses is completed



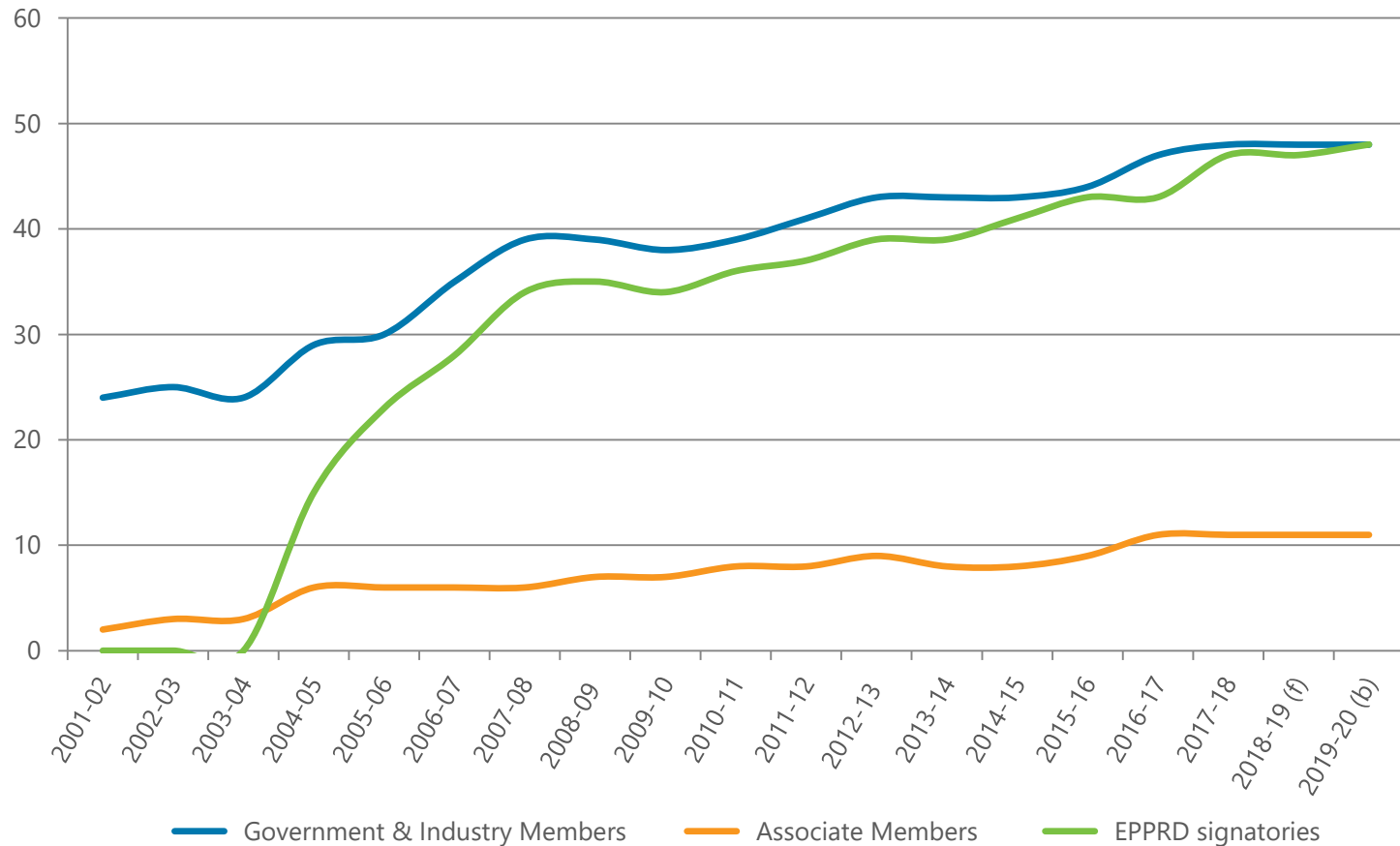
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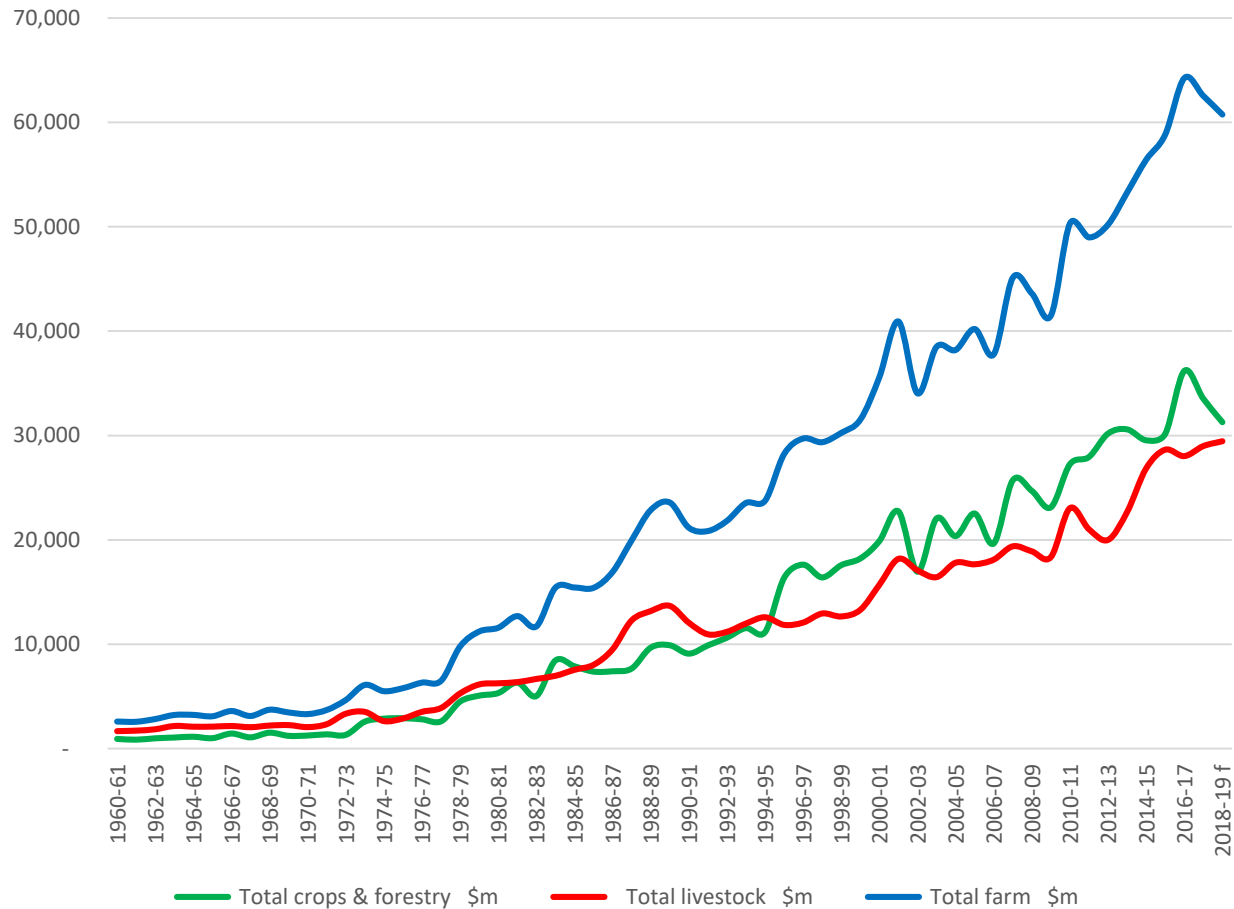
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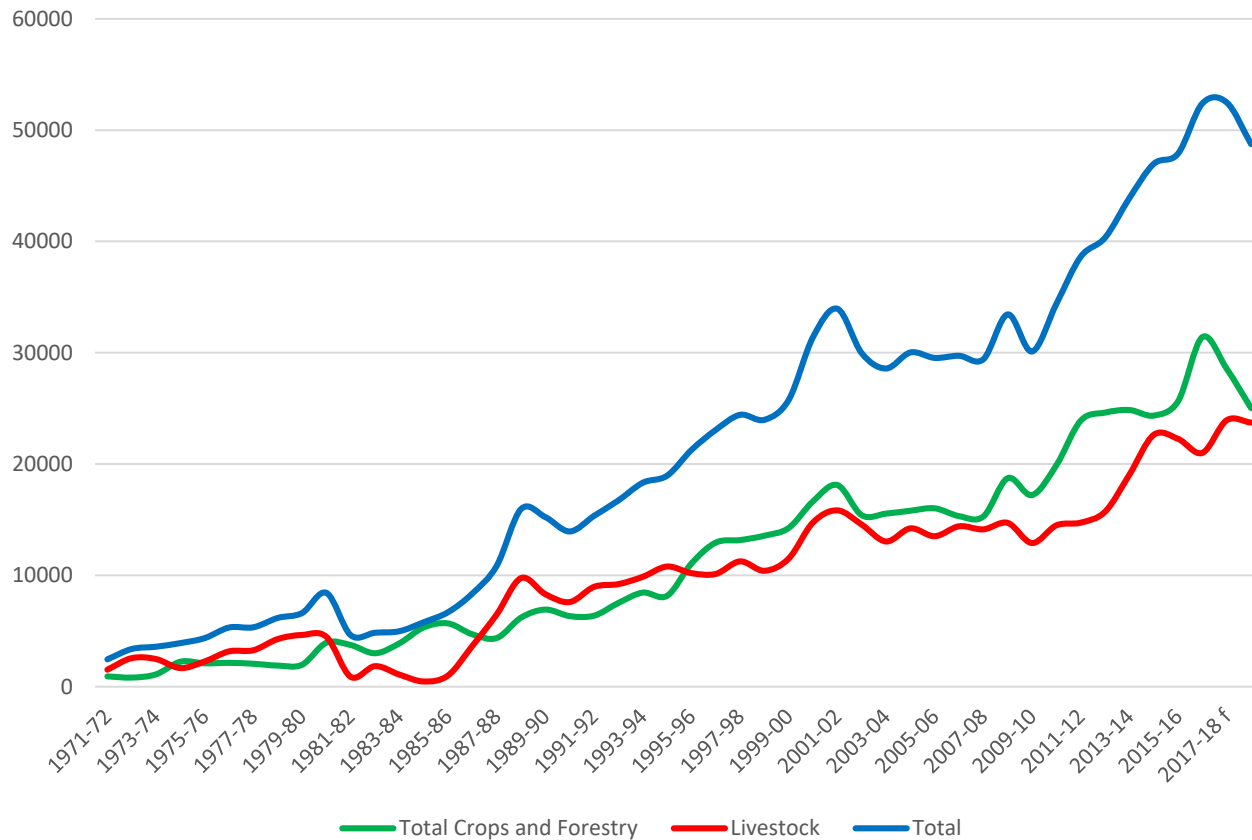


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Exports



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2.7 Member Subscriptions

(Ordinary Resolution)



2.7 Member subscriptions

Ordinary Resolution

2.7 (a)	That PHA Members approve the base 2019-2020 Annual Membership Subscription as being:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Annual Subscription payable by the Australian Government \$880,000• Total Annual Subscription payable by State/Territory Members \$880,000• Total Annual Subscription payable by Plant Industry Members \$880,000

3.0 For Information

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3.1 Board Selection Committee

Greg Fraser, ED & CEO

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3.2 Update on Board Selection process

May

- PHA Board approves Chair of the Selection Committee if required.
- Governments appoint two Committee members
- Industry nominates their two positions

June

- Industry votes on or approves their two positions
- Prepare draft advertisement for the positions
- Prepare draft Information Kit for applicants

3.2 Update on Board Selection process

July

- Convene teleconference of Selection Committee to approve:
 - Selection process and timetable
 - Approach to calling for applications, including advertising
 - Contents of information kits for applicants
 - Capturing information on Board performance, succession planning, expertise and experience
- Write to Members informing them that the call for PHA Director applications is underway and of the closing date for submissions
- Place advertisement calling for applications for PHA Director positions
- Promote call for PHA Director applications through Tendrils and other channels
- Contact incumbent Directors to advise that process is underway
- Supply applicant Information Kits on request
- Respond to all requests for information as required

3.2 Update on Board Selection process

August/September

- Applications close. Contact all applicants to advise that application received
- Collate applications and circulate to Selection Committee
- Allow a minimum of two weeks for the Committee to consider applications
- Circulate profiles, including matrix of expertise and experience of continuing Directors, to the Selection Committee
- Convene teleconference of the Selection Committee to shortlist candidates for interview
- Contact unsuccessful applicants from the initial shortlisting round
- Find suitable date/s and venue for interviews
- Notify candidates invited to attend interview

3.2 Update on Board Selection process

September

- Conduct Interviews
- Contact successful candidates
- Contact unsuccessful candidates

October

- Prepare resolution and supporting information for the Notice of Annual General Meeting

November

- Members vote to approve appointment of Directors at AGM on **19 November 2019**
- Provide new Directors with a copy of the PHA Directors Handbook
- Perform induction for new Directors
- First Board Meeting for new and returning Directors on **21 November 2019**

4.0 Other Business

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5.0 Close of General Meeting

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