

19th General Meeting

25 May 2020

Welcome

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Plant Health
AUSTRALIA

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 this meeting

- Modifications to the Corporations Act mean that votes taken at virtual General Meeting must be taken by a poll using technology which allows for voting in real time and not by show of hands
- The Determination also explicitly provides for (and encourages) people entitled to attend meetings to record their vote in advance of the meeting
- Voting is in accordance with the prescribed votes held by Member
- General resolutions – simple majority + 60% Government/Industry Member support of poll
- Special resolutions - 75% majority + 60% Government/Industry Member support of poll

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Returning Officer

The Chair intends to use the **Company Secretary** as Returning Officer to assist with voting, vote counting and assessing the validity of proxies.

It is not practical to appoint a Scrutineer to observe the voting process at this virtual meeting.

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 this meeting together with explanatory notes were mailed within the Corporations Act timeframe
- Information regarding participation in the virtual meeting was advised within appropriate timeframes and posted on the PHA website

2.1 Administrative Arrangements

Proxies	
ACT Government	Chairman
Australian Banana Growers' Council	Michelle McKinlay
AUSVEG Ltd	James Whiteside
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries QLD	Mike Ashton
Department of Primary Industry & Resources, NT	Anne Walters
Dried Fruits Australia	Jenny Treeby
Onions Australia	Chairman

2.2 Apologies

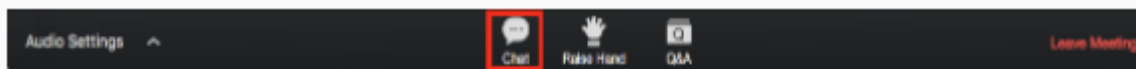
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2.2 Apologies Received

Government Members	
ACT Government	Ian Walker
Department of Agriculture and Fisheries QLD	Malcolm Letts
Department of Primary Industry & Resources, NT	Alister Trier

2.2 Apologies Received

Industry Members	
AUSVEG Ltd	Zarmeen Hassan
Australian Banana Growers' Council	Jim Pekin
Australian Banana Growers' Council	Rosie Godwin
Dried Fruits Australia	Anne Mansell
Onions Australia	Lechelle Earl
Raspberries and Blackberries Australia	Rachel Mackenzie

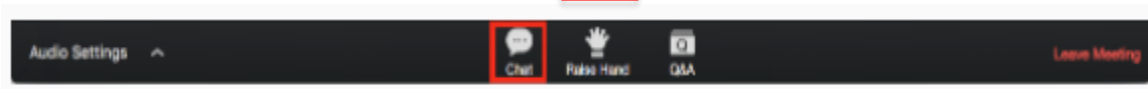
2.3 Minutes of PHA 19th Annual General Meeting

Held on 19 November 2019

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Attendee participation – Raise Hand Function



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The PHA host can also override the Raise Hand (by lowering your hand).

2.4 Chairman's Address

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2.4 Chairman's Address

Mr Steve McCutcheon, Chairman of PHA, will address the 19th 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 2019/20 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 EPPRD
- 3 PREPAREDNESS
- 4 SURVEILLANCE
- 5 DIAGNOSTICS
- 6 RD&E
- 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



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



ENHANCE OPERATION AND INTEGRITY OF THE EPPRD

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



IMPROVE THE DIAGNOSTIC SYSTEM

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



CO-ORDINATE PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION OF PLANT BIOSECURITY RD&E

- AQISOC Plant Biosecurity RD&E Plan implemented
- Nationally agreed RD&E priorities
- Monitor RD&E activities, capability and capacity
- Increased ability to fund plant biosecurity RD&E 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



2019/20 Annual Operational Plan



2019/20 Mid-year Performance Report



2019/2020 Performance

	Actual YTD March	Forecast 2019/20	Budget 2019/20	Forecast variance to Budget
Revenues from Ordinary Activities				
Member subscriptions	2,656,667	2,656,667	2,662,000	5,333
Project funding	6,188,244	7,572,539	8,035,539	463,000
Interest income	173,040	207,559	219,059	11,500
Total Revenue	9,017,951	10,436,765	10,916,598	479,833
Expenditure	8,257,868	10,324,891	10,936,624	611,733
Net Surplus / Deficit	760,083	111,874	20,026	131,900

Partnerships

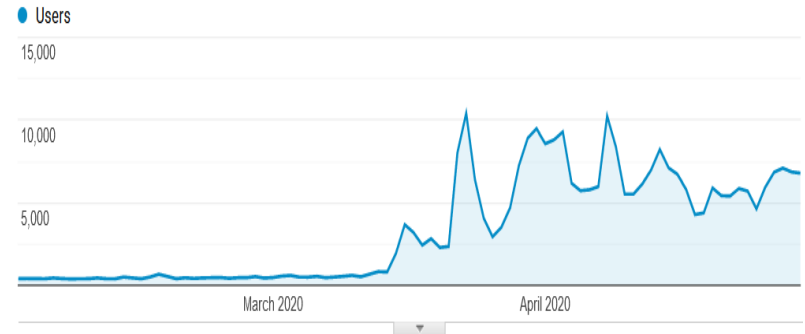
- National Committees: NBC, NCEN, Northern Australia Biosecurity Framework Reference Group, PHC, SDQMA and others supported
- Continue to expand Biosecurity Portal, particularly the CCEPP and preparedness sites
- NFFC phase 3
- Farm Biosecurity Program (joint AHA / PHA program) continues
- Australia/ NZ Innovation Exchange
- Maintaining international collaboration
- B3 and Euphresco



Partnerships

- Grains Farm Biosecurity Program Continues
- Vegetable and Potato Biosecurity Program being renegotiated
- Existing citrus biosecurity program extended
- Ongoing NGIA support to develop training videos
- Banana program continuing
- Melon Biosecurity program MoU revised and in place
- Drafting Strategies
 - Surveillance
 - Diagnostics
 - Preparedness
 - Starting on National Plant Biosecurity Strategy





	PHA	Farm Biosecurity	BeeAware	Prevent Fruit Fly	Aus Interstate Quarantine
Sessions	28,063	40,812 (up from 26,877)	52,472 (up from 43,385)	6,582	324,671 (up from 53,143)
Users	20,987	33,897 (up from 22,133)	42,857 (up from 35,102)	5,547	271,280 (up from 42,396)
Australian visitors	71%	42%	29%	61%	94%
Overseas visitors	9% (USA)	20% (Philippines)	41% (USA) (Up from 30%)	17% (USA)	1.2% (USA)
Newsletter subscribers (as of 11 May)	Tendrils, 1,221	Farm Biosecurity News, 2,726	BeeAware Newsletter, 3,102	Prevent Fruit Fly Newsletter, 369	213 (newsletter not yet available)



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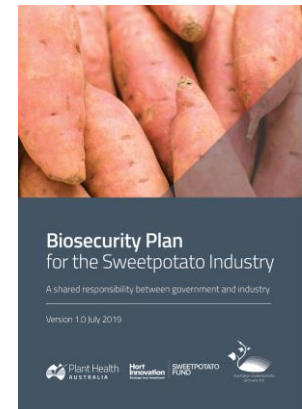
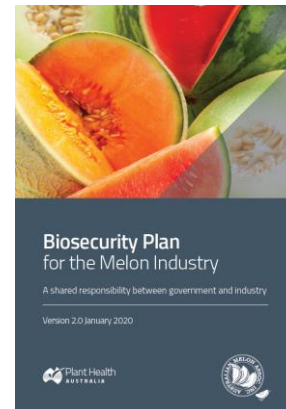
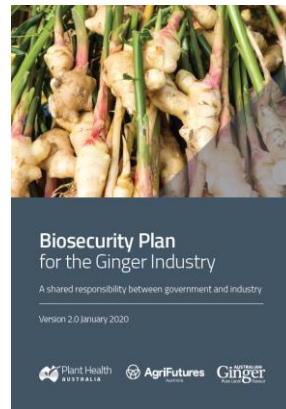
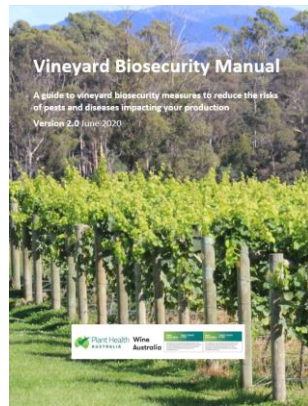
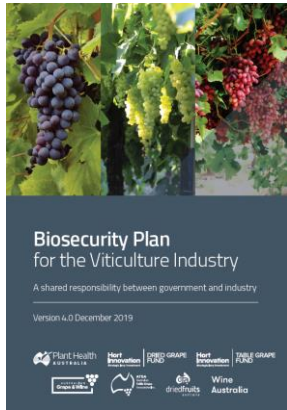
Emergency Response

- Citrus canker Proof of Freedom
- Implementation of recommendations from the EPPRD Review and Incident debriefs
- ORC frameworks endorsed, assessments reviews and debrief commenced
- ILO training delivered
- Exercises – Blueprint (Cotton)
- New BOLT course (reporting) released
- Biosecurity Incident Standard Operating Procedure
- Equity for impacted owners
- Financial needs analysis underway
- CCEPP Portal improvements – revised site launched



Preparedness

- Biosecurity Plans and Manuals



- Environmental biosecurity
- Preparedness Portal populated
- Spotted Wing Drosophila virtual workshop held with 94 “attendees”
- Fall Armyworm work with csaer and further discussions with PBRI and DAWE underway
- National Bee Biosecurity program

Surveillance and Diagnostics

- Continued to work with SNPHS and SPHD
- Northern Australia Biosecurity Surveillance
- Botanic garden surveillance network
- National collation of surveillance data – *AUSPestCheck*
- Annual Diagnostic and Surveillance Workshops 2019
- Industry Surveillance Strategies

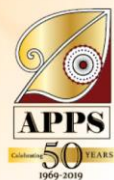


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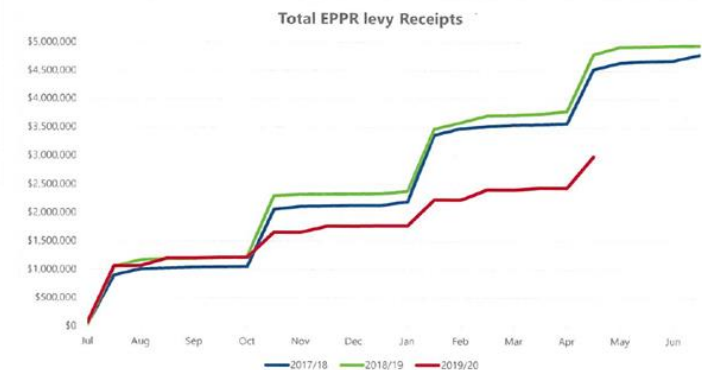
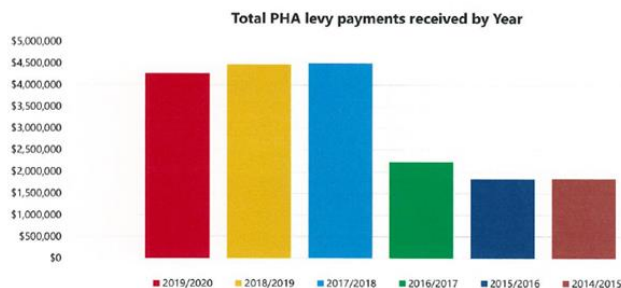
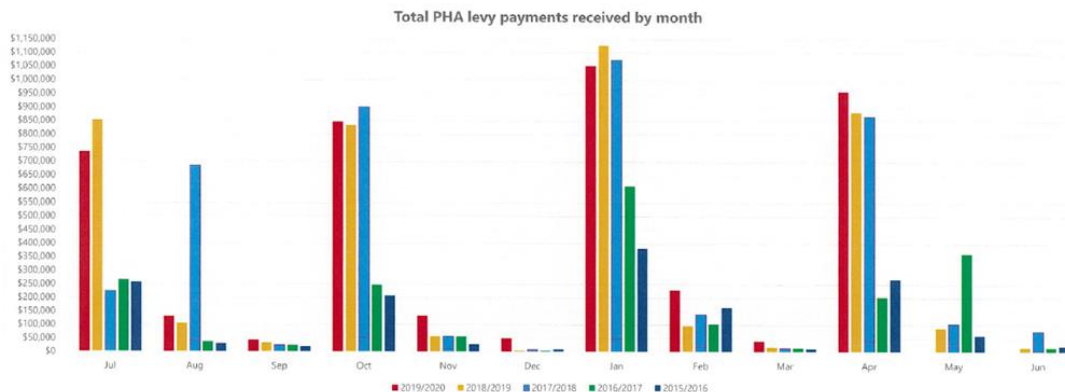
RD&E

- AGSOC Cross Sectoral Plant Biosecurity Strategy
- Workshops held and audits carried out
 - Viticulture audit
 - Nematology capacity and capability inventory
 - Bacteriology capacity and capability inventory
 - Held a Fusarium workshop in association with APPS conference
- Meetings with AHA on biosecurity RD&E strategies
- Collaboration with PBRI
- CSIRO H&B Advisory Committee
- Australia / NZ Innovation Exchange
- PBRI R&D Symposium
- PBRI signed MoUs with B3 and Euphresco

Company Health

Board selection process

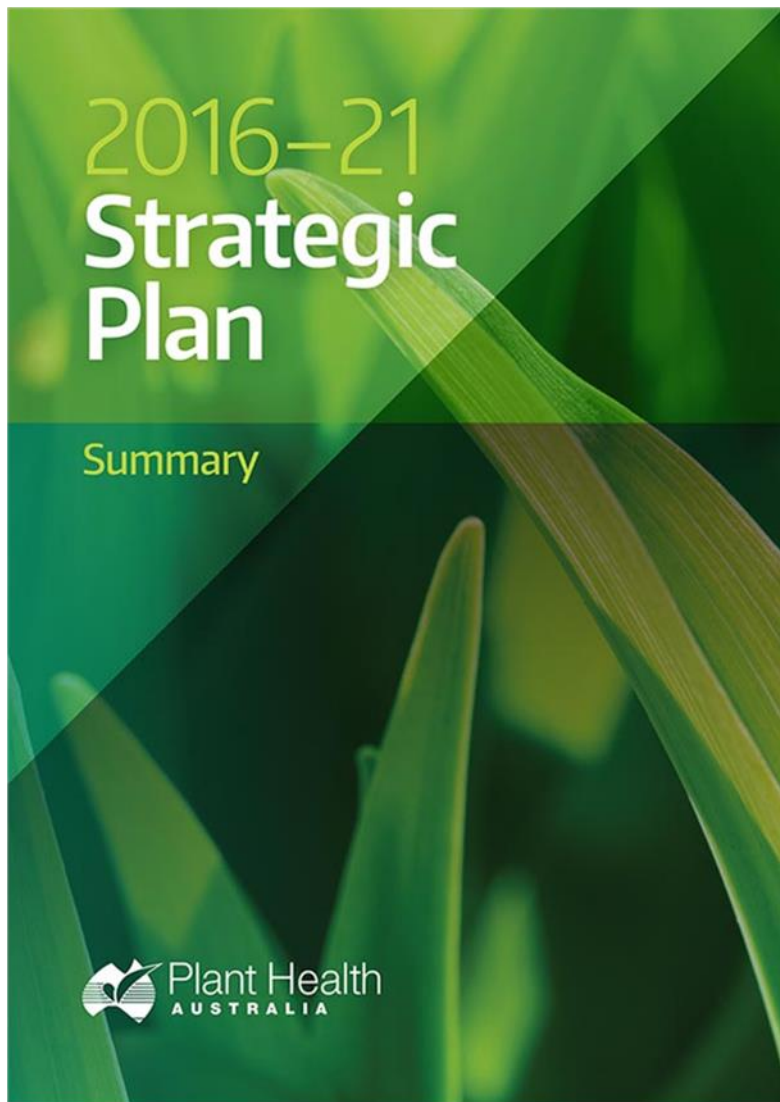
PHA Levy established for 22 industries. Positive EPPR levies established 10 industries with nil rate established in another 17 industries



2.6 Annual Operating Plan (AOP) 2020/21

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2020/21 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

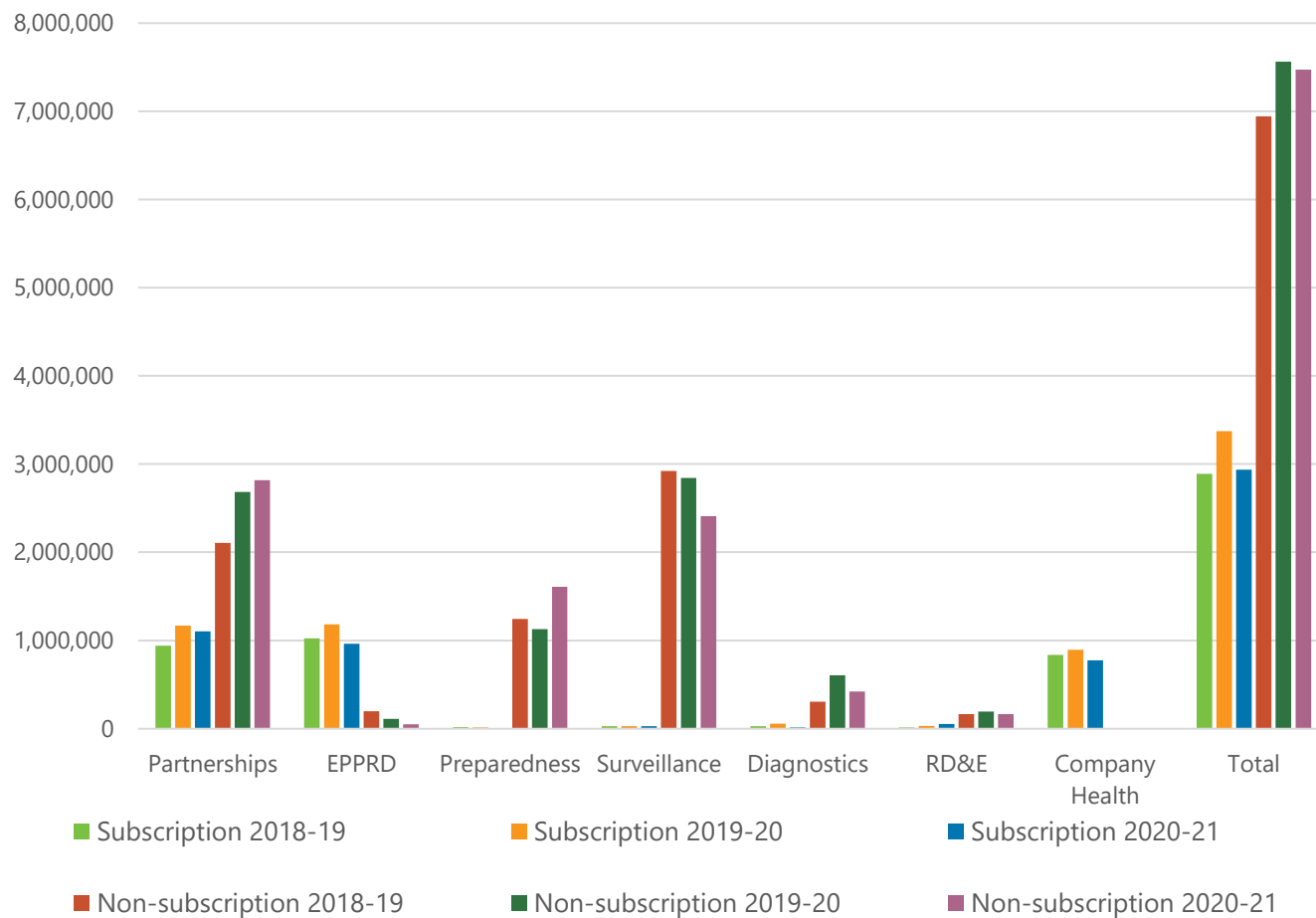
2020/21 Annual Operational Plan



Overall Income and Expenditure

2020–21	\$	%
Income:		
Subscription	2,660,000	25.7
Non-subscription	7,531,104	72.8
Interest	156,151	1.5
Total income	10,347,255	100.0
Expenditure:		
Partnerships	3,919,216	37.7
EPPRD	1,012,804	9.7
Preparedness	1,607,110	15.5
Surveillance	2,437,274	23.4
Diagnostics	436,996	4.2
RD&E	219,422	2.1
Company health	774,089	7.4
Total expenditure	10,406,911	100.0
Result: surplus (deficit)	(59,656)	

Subscription and Non subscription funded activities



Partnerships

- Contribution to National Committees: NBC, NCN, Northern Australia Biosecurity Framework Reference Group, PHC, SDQMA and others continues
- NPBS review completed
- Diagnostics and Surveillance Strategies completed
- Preparedness Strategy under completed
- PHA Strategic Plan 2021 – 2026 initiated
- Continue the Farm Biosecurity Program (joint AHA / PHA program) including a Nuffield Scholarship
- Continue to expand Biosecurity Portal
- Implementation of Phase 3 of the NFFC
- Biosecurity Programs funded through levies increasing

Emergency Response

- Industry liaison training (key focus)
- Ongoing eradication programs
- Continue to promote the National EPP Training Program
- Biosecurity Incident Standard Operating Procedures
- National Biosecurity Response Team engagement
- Prepare for 2020 review of the EPPRD
- Reinvigorate review of Parties' Normal Commitments
- Major review of PLANTPLAN
- National guidance and overarching framework for ORCs
- Categorisation policy progressed
- Equity for impacted owners resolved
- New and ongoing Incidents?

Preparedness

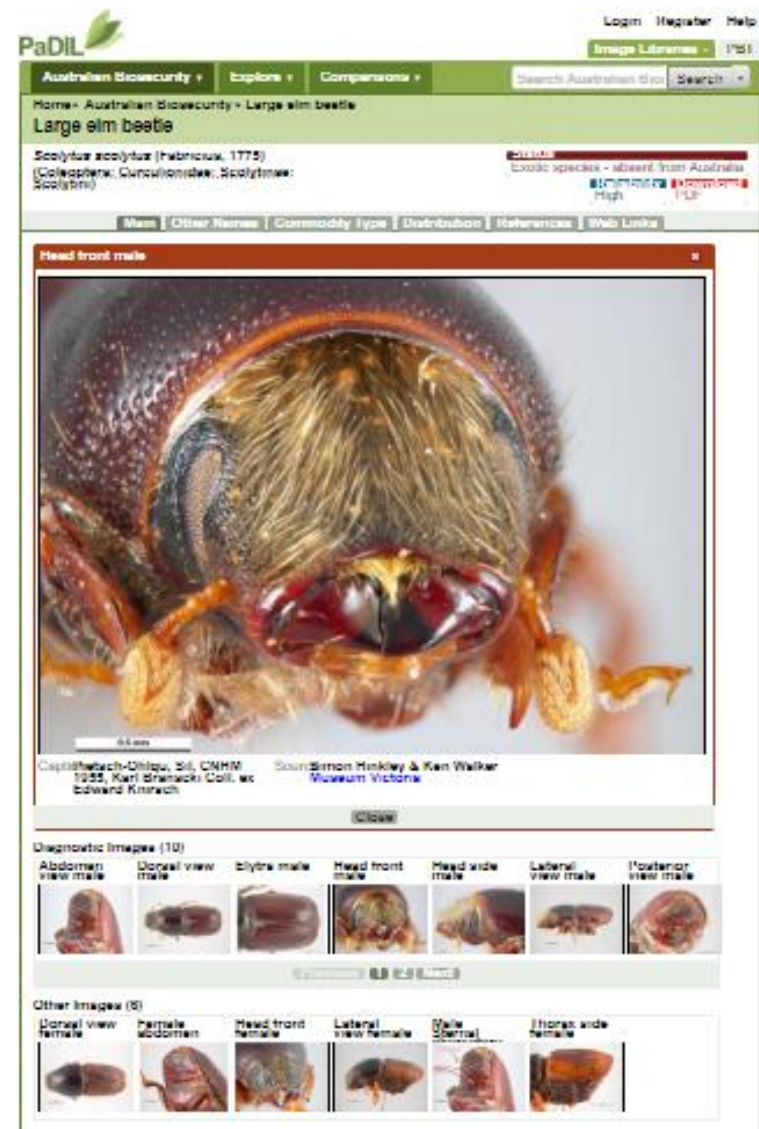
- Biosecurity Preparedness portal expanded and updated
- Maintain and update exotic pest database
- Biosecurity Plans and Manuals
- Reference Panels
- Capability Index
- Mangrove stakeholder mapping workshop
- Work on native bees
- National Bee Biosecurity program including six Bee Biosecurity Officers
- Bee Health and Responses beekeeper survey and pest ID app

Surveillance

- Contribution to the Subcommittee on National Plant Health Surveillance
- Deployment of AUSPestCheck™ for *use* with the National Plant Health Surveillance Program
- Funding for AUSPestCheck™ and MyPestGuide™ resolved
- Implementation of Citrus, Forest and Grains Surveillance Strategies
- Implementation and funding of the Tropical Plant Industry Surveillance Strategy in northern Australia
- Continuation of the National Bee Pest Surveillance Program including improved data capture from remote catchboxes and data flow from the NBPSP Portal to AUSPestCheck™
- Further enhancements and testing of AUSPestCheck for animal data
- Implementation of activities linked to the International Plant Sentinel Network and the Botanic Gardens Surveillance Network

Diagnostics

- Contribution to the Subcommittee on Plant Health Diagnostics
- Redevelopment of PaDIL and Australian Plant Pest Database
- Implementing the National Plant Pest Reference Collections Strategy
- National Plant Biosecurity Diagnostic Network activities including Annual Diagnosticians' Workshop and professional development
- Development and review of National Diagnostic Protocols for NPPPs
- Continued development of the surge capacity laboratory workflow tool
- Proficiency testing program continuation



RD&E

- Engagement with the AGSOC R&I Committee
- Resolve future of the AGSOC Cross Sectoral Plant Biosecurity Strategy
- On going work includes:
 - Nematology Capacity and Capability inventory
 - Cross Sectoral analysis
 - Bacteriology audit
 - Fusarium workshop report in preparation
 - Planning for new audits and workshops
- (The sort of work is not done anywhere else within the biosecurity system).
- PBRI co-ordination of cross sectoral RD&E and Implementation of the AGSOC Cross Sectoral Plant Biosecurity Strategy

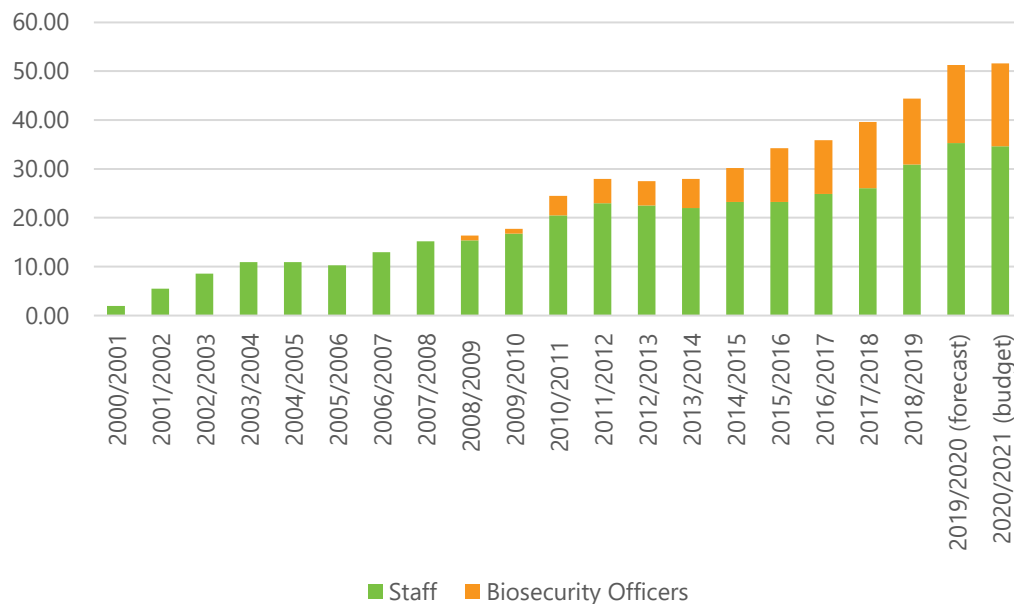


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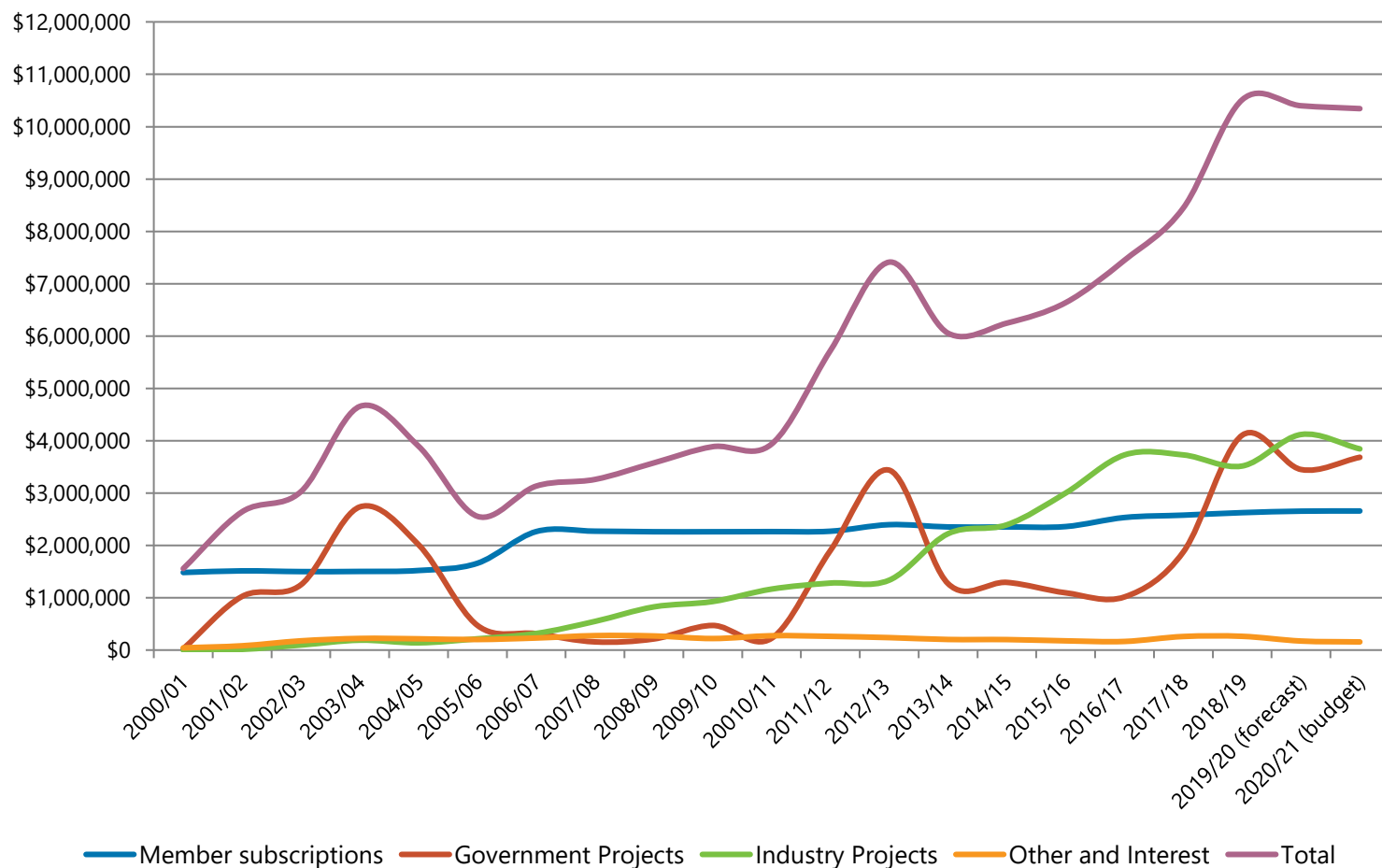
Levy Activity

- Discussions are occurring with a number of Members regarding implementing or amending statutory levies in 2020/21
- At least one EPPR levy will be deactivated in the new year as repayment to the Commonwealth for underwriting emergency responses is completed

Staffing



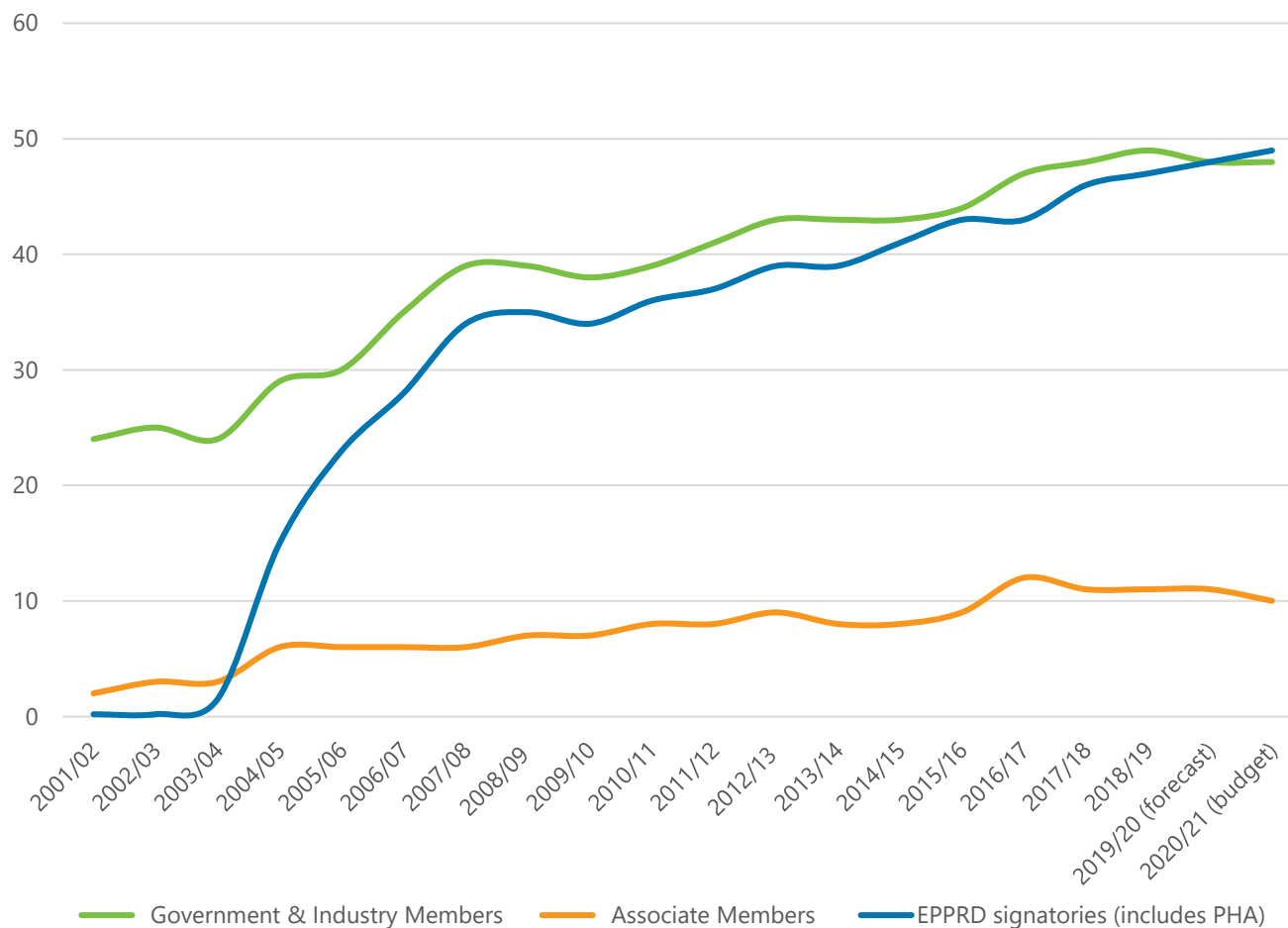
Subscription and Project Income



Equity movements



Member numbers



2.7 Member Subscriptions

(Ordinary Resolution)



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Ordinary Resolution

2.7 (a)	That PHA Members approve the 2020-2021 Annual Membership Subscription as being:	
	• 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 Special business

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3.1 Constitutional amendments

(Special Resolution)

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Special Resolution

3.1	THAT the Constitution be amended, with effect from the date of expiry or termination (whichever occurs first) of the Contract of employment of the Chief Executive Officer that is in force on the date of this resolution, by making the changes set out in clauses 21, 22 and 46 of the marked-up version of the Constitution.
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3.2 Constitutional amendments

(Special Resolution)

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Special Resolution

3.2	THAT the Constitution be amended, with effect from the end of this meeting, by making the changes set out in the cover, clauses 2.1, 2.2(d), 12.2(a), 12.3(b), 13.2, 15.2, 15.4, 15.6, 16(d), 17, 22.6(a), 22.7, 24.4, 24.5, 26, 27.1, 29.2, 33(b)iii), 39(f), 45.2, 51, 52, 54(b), 57, 60.4, 64.6, 78.1, 78.2(a), 79.3, 85A, 85B, 92.2(b), 96.1, 97.1, 99.4(c), 102, 103, 104 (now 102), 105 (now 103), 106.3 (now 104.3), and 109.3(c) (now 107.3(c)) of the marked-up version of the Constitution.
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3.3 Constitutional amendments

(Special Resolution)

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Special Resolution

3.3	THAT the Constitution be amended, with effect from the end of this meeting, by making the changes set out in the marked-up version of the Constitution that are not covered by resolution 3.1 or resolution 3.2.
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4.0 For information

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5.0 Other business

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6.0 Close of General Meeting

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