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PLANT BIOSECURITY POLICY MEMORANDUM 2004/15

**REVISED DRAFT IMPORT RISK ANALYSIS REPORT FOR APPLES FROM
NEW ZEALAND – INFORMATION SESSIONS**

This Plant Biosecurity Policy Memorandum (PBPM) confirms details of eight regional information sessions to assist stakeholders in preparing submissions to the *Revised Draft Import Risk Analysis Report for the Importation of Apples from New Zealand*.

PBPM 2004/13 of 23 April 2004 advised stakeholders that Biosecurity Australia, in consultation with Apple and Pear Australia Limited, will hold a series of information sessions on the *Revised Draft Import Risk Analysis Report for the Importation of Apples from New Zealand* in the major apple growing areas throughout Australia.

The purpose of the information sessions is to give stakeholders an understanding of the IRA process, an opportunity to discuss technical issues as they relate to the recommendations in the revised draft report and to discuss the next steps in the IRA process.

Arrangements for the first eight information sessions have been finalised as follows:

Monday 3 May 2004, 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Coral Sea Room, Orange Ex-Services Club
Tel: (02) 6362 2666
241 Anson Street
ORANGE NSW

Wednesday 19 May 2004, 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Donnybrook Football Club
Tel: (08) 9731 1219
Marmion Street
DONNYBROOK WA

Tuesday 11 May 2004, 10.30am - 12.30pm
Eastbank Centre
Tel: (03) 5832 6865
Welsford Street
SHEPPARTON VIC

Friday 21 May 2004, 2.30pm - 5.00pm
Grove Research Station
Tel: (03) 62 664305
99 Pages Road
GROVE TAS

Thursday 13 May 2004, 1.00pm - 5.00pm
SARDI Lenswood Horticultural Centre
Tel: 08 8389 8800
Swamp Road
LENSWOOD SA

Monday 24 May 2004, 3.30pm - 5.30pm
Department of Primary Industries, Knoxfield
Tel: 03 9210 9222
621 Burwood Highway
KNOXFIELD VIC

Monday 17 May 2004, 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Lesmurdie Club
Tel: (08) 9291 7811
Boronia Rd
WALLISTON WA

Thursday 27 May 2004, 6.00pm - 9.00pm
Stanthorpe Civic Centre
Tel: (07) 4681 5535
Corner of Marsh and Lock Streets
STANTHORPE QLD

The session details for Batlow, NSW, will be advised to stakeholders once arrangements have been finalised in consultation with the relevant regional apple grower representatives.

Light refreshments (finger food, coffee and tea) will be made available at the commencement of each session.

Please contact Technical and Administrative Services of Plant Biosecurity, if you require more information about the proposed sessions.

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Confidentiality

Stakeholders are advised that, subject to the *Freedom of Information Act 1982* and the *Privacy Act 1988*, all submissions received in response to Plant Biosecurity Policy Memoranda will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter of the memoranda.

The Commonwealth reserves the right to reveal the identity of a respondent unless a request for anonymity accompanies the submission. Where a request for anonymity does not accompany the submission the respondent will be taken to have consented to the disclosure of his or her identity for the purposes of Information Privacy Principle 11 of the *Privacy Act 1988*.

The contents of the submission will not be treated as confidential unless they are marked 'confidential' and they are capable of being classified as such in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

Consultation

If you wish to suggest inclusion of an additional stakeholder in our distribution list, or if you wish to be removed from the distribution list, please provide details to Technical and Administrative Services.

Information on all IRAs and policy reviews being conducted by Plant Biosecurity is available on the Internet at www.daff.gov.au/plantbiosecurity.

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