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Update on the Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy

The Biosecurity Surveillance Group is currently developing a strategy for a cross-sector national biosecurity surveillance system that will set the direction for New Zealand's future biosecurity surveillance activities.

A first draft of the Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy framework has been developed. The current draft is an outline, aimed to stimulate discussion and feedback. This draft is currently undergoing review and revision within MAF Biosecurity New Zealand.

We anticipate that a small group of government Biosecurity partner agencies and key stakeholders will be contacted for early comment and feedback on the draft in May, with public consultation commencing in October 2008.

We look forward to contact with many of you in the months ahead.

Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy Development Process	
Development of the draft review of the current state of biosecurity surveillance	Completed
Initial verification of the current state with key participants and contributors	Completed
Development of drafts of Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy	July 2007 – August 2008 In progress
Limited release of discussion paper for comment by key stakeholders	May – June 2008
Public release of the Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy for public consultation	October 2008

If you have any questions or comments, or do not wish to receive the updates on the Biosecurity Surveillance Strategy, please email NZBiosecuritySurveillance@maf.govt.nz



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