

Phyto Ecert II Project Newsletter

Update: 22 March 2011

Since our earlier newsletters we completed an initial development of the system and undertook a series of walkthroughs with MAF Plant Exports, IVAs and a number of pre-selected industry users of Phyto Ecert. We have an Ecert working group in place which comprises representatives of PMAC, FPEC and MAF Plant Exports to provide input to the project team.

The walkthroughs identified a number of very important improvements, which we will implement. We received approval from the project owners and the funding stakeholders and these changes are being worked on now. Developments are planned to be completed and tested by the developers by the end of April.

This will be followed by a user acceptance test phase with MAFBNZ Plant Exports, IVAs and then in a second phase with a number of pre-selected industry users. This is expected to be completed by late May followed by a live trial phase with these pre-selected users.

Go live

The new system is planned to go live in early June. There will be a transition phase (4 weeks) where both the current and the new systems will be available. We are looking to complete the project by the end of July 2011.

Timeline Plan

Planned dates	Tasks
Late April	Software development planned to be completed.
Late May	'User Acceptance Testing' of the software by MAF and pre – selected industry testers planned to be completed.
Early June	The new system planned to be available for use. Note the new (Phyto E-cert II) and old (Ecert 1) will run in parallel for 4 weeks.
End July	The old Phyto Ecert I system is planned to decommissioned and the project completed.