

Scope of the National RD&E Framework for Fishing & Aquaculture

Aim of National Framework for Primary Industries Research Development and Extension

- to establish a strong culture of collaboration and strengthen national research capability to better address sectoral and cross sectoral issues.
- To focus RD&E resources so they are used more effectively, efficiently and collaboratively, to overcome fragmentation and duplication in the system.

Seven steps for developing sector and cross sector frameworks

- Sector overview
- Current resource analysis
- Future RD&E plan
- Capability analysis against the plan
- Change plan
- Consultation and approvals
- Implementation arrangements

Statement of Intent

- A set of overarching principles to facilitate further cooperation between agencies and stakeholders for improving the efficiency and effectiveness of the national primary industries RD&E capability
- Principles emphasise cooperation, information sharing, maintaining funding, access to capability and reporting
- Are to apply to each industry and cross sector RD&E frameworks

National Primary Industries RD&E Framework Objectives

When implemented the National RD&E Framework is expected :

- to provide shared strategic directions and priorities for national and sectoral level primary industries RD&E
- research capability will more comprehensively and holistically cover stakeholders' present and future strategic needs
- public research capability will become more integrated, interdependent and specialised, and have larger critical mass with less fragmentation across the nation;
- efficiency and effectiveness of RD&E will be improved along with returns on investment

National Primary Industries RD&E Framework Objectives cont.

- RD&E investment will improve capability in priority areas and ensure effective and efficient use of resources
- Parties will collaborate to retain and build capability in fields strategically important to their jurisdictions and industries;
- the national research capability will be an integral component of a wider innovation agenda, supporting development and extension
- research undertaken in one location will be developed and extended nationally for primary industries

Purpose of Fisheries and Aquaculture RD&E Framework

To develop a Research, Development and Extension Strategy for fishing and aquaculture -

- consistent with the principles and objectives articulated by the PIMC supporting the national primary industries RD&E framework
- that provides strategic planning for the direction, delivery and sustainable resourcing of fisheries and aquaculture RD&E in Australia.

Scope of Fisheries RD&E Framework

- RD&E to support the sustainable utilisation of Australia's wild fisheries (commercial, recreational and indigenous) and aquaculture (including indigenous)
- RD&E priorities and a framework are to be identified for the fisheries and aquaculture
- The systematic knowledge (biophysical, economic and social) of wild fisheries and aquaculture, as well as aquatic ecology and biodiversity relating to wild fisheries and aquaculture development.
- RD&E capability of state and commonwealth agencies, universities, museums, private research providers, industry groups and New Zealand will be considered
- RD&E investors include RDCs, PIMC and NRMC agencies and commonwealth funding agencies where there is a direct and significant attribution of benefit of the funding to Australian fishing and aquaculture

Project Plan for Fisheries and Aquaculture RD&E Framework

Date	Action / Milestone
October 08	Establish Working Group
November 08	Development of Project Scope, Communication Strategy, TOR's for Sector Overview
December 08	and RD&E Capacity Audit consultancies
January 09	
February 09	
March 09	
April 09	
May 09	Leadership group workshop (Adelaide) 4 May 2009
June 09	Briefing to MACC and AFMF (10 – 11 June).
July 09	Sector Overview consultancy commenced
July 09	Extended Leadership Group workshop (Adelaide) 22 – 23 May
July-	Sector Overview consultancy progressed – Final report to be submitted 30
September 09	September 2009
August –	Sign off by AFMF on contribution to costs for sector overview and capability audit
September 09	consultancies (out of session).
September 09	Capacity audit consultancy progressed.
September-	Leadership group workshop to develop draft RD&E framework. RD&E Framework
October 09	drafted
November 09	Brief AFMF meeting on draft framework.
December 09-	Finalise draft framework including change plan
January 10	
February 10	Signoff of final draft framework by stakeholders
February 10	Out of session sign off by AFMF and MACC.
March 10	
April 10	RD&E framework submitted for approval to PIMC and NRMCC
July -Aug 10	Launch