

R&D Snapshot

APL 2013/14 R&D Priorities Food Safety, Biosecurity & Quality Assurance

Purpose:

- This portfolio addresses industry challenges outlined in APL's 2010-2015 Strategic Plan under Core Objective 4 *Leadership, Preparedness, Stewardship*, particularly, addressing changing expectations and standards for food production, and managing the impact of regulatory shifts.

R&D Priorities:

- **Porcine Reproductive and Respiratory Syndrome (PRRS) review (including feral pigs)**
Developing a technical document on the risks associated with possible import of chilled pork into Australia will provide the basis for representing industry's interests to decision makers
- **National Livestock Identification System (NLIS)/ Pork Supply Chain Integrity Program (PSCIP)/ Physi-Trace integration**
The NLIS/ PSCIP/ Physi-Trace Business Plan will integrate the various components into a program model which will support progressive implementation
- **APIQ[✓]® Review**
A review of the 'SARDI report' will inform an effective review of APIQ[✓]® and lead to ongoing industry and customer acceptance of APIQ[✓]®
- **Pork Processor Referral Group (PPRG) operating costs**
PPRG endorsement of food safety priorities/projects will ensure efficient application of funding and facilitate uptake of results
- **Abattoir process control**
Collaborative meat industry food safety R&D will assist moves towards a science-based meat inspection and export certification system
- **African Swine Fever (ASF)**
An investigation and update on issues and risks associated with ASF will facilitate improved surveillance, thereby mitigating the risk of incursion into Australia.

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