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DRAFT REPORT FOR THE NON-REGULATED ANALYSIS OF EXISTING POLICY FOR TABLE GRAPES FROM JAPAN

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Draft report for the nonregulated analysis of existing policy for table grapes from Japan.*

The draft report identifies pests that require phytosanitary measures to manage the risk to a very low level in order to achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection.

This draft report is being issued for 60 days consultation. Written comments and submissions are invited by 1 April 2014.

Biosecurity Advice 2013/11, of 1 May 2013, announced the formal commencement of a non-regulated analysis of existing policy to consider a proposal to import fresh table grapes from Japan.

This Biosecurity Advice notifies stakeholders of the release of the *Draft report for the nonregulated analysis of existing policy for table grapes from Japan.* Stakeholders have until 1 April 2014 to provide written comments on the draft report.

The draft report identifies 19 pests associated with fresh table grapes from Japan that require phytosanitary measures. Out of these 19 pests, 14 are arthropods and five are fungal pathogens.

Regional differences were identified for one quarantine pest each for Western Australia and the Northern Territory. The proposed quarantine measures take account of these regional differences.

The draft report proposes a range of risk management measures, combined with a system of operational procedures to ensure quarantine standards are met. These measures will reduce the risk posed by the 19 pests, and achieve Australia's appropriate level of protection. These measures include:

- phytosanitary inspection and remedial action for the management of the ladybird, beetle, whitefly, mealybugs, leafroller moths, spider mite and thrips
- area freedom, a systems approach or fruit treatment known to be effective in managing all life stages of spotted wing drosophila
- area freedom or fruit treatment known to be effective in managing grapevine phylloxera
- area freedom or a systems approach for the management of black rot, grape cluster black rot, Asiatic brown rot, brown rot and grape rust fungus
- a supporting operational system to maintain and verify the phytosanitary status of export consignments.

The draft report and information about the risk analysis process are available at www.daff.gov.au. Printed copies can be provided, if required.

Comments on the draft report must be submitted by 1 April 2014 to:

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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 Biosecurity Advices will be publicly available and may be listed or referred to in any papers or reports prepared on the subject matter.

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The contents of the submission will only be treated as confidential if they are marked 'confidential' and can be classified as such in accordance with the *Freedom of Information Act 1982*.

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