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# Import risk review for psittacine birds from all countries – update

This advice provides an update on progress on the *Import risk review for psittacine birds from all countries - final report*. In light of comments provided by stakeholders on the draft report, further consideration of the potential biosecurity risks relating to the environment is required.

Depending on the findings it is anticipated that the review will be finalised and published in the first half of 2022.

Enquiries on this process can be directed to [animal@awe.gov.au](mailto:animal@awe.gov.au)

The department initiated this review of import conditions for psittacine birds to reopen an avenue for psittacine bird imports into Australia, following the suspension of the conditions in 1995. The review takes into account current policy, new scientific information and international standards developed by the World Organisation for Animal Health (OIE).

The review has identified diseases of biosecurity concern for the importation of psittacine birds and risk assessments of these diseases have been undertaken.

A formal 60-day stakeholder comment period on technical aspects of the risk assessment and proposed biosecurity measures finished on 19 September 2020. Over 100 written submissions were received.

Stakeholder feedback has been considered and will be incorporated in the final report. The department has delayed publishing the final review report in order to seek and consider further input about the potential biosecurity risks relating to the environment both directly (including the life and health of wildlife) and indirectly (including biodiversity, endangered species and ecosystems).

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