



Australian Government

Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Forestry
Australian Quarantine and Inspection Service

Notice to Industry

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Enterprise Agreement Negotiations & Industrial Action

Who is affected by this notice?

This notice is for all AQIS clients.

What's the issue?

The Department of Agriculture, Fisheries & Forestry (DAFF) is continuing negotiations with the Community & Public Sector Union (CPSU) and staff on a new Enterprise Agreement for the next three years.

The CPSU has advised the Department that industrial action will be taken in the form of a periodic limitation of travel away from regular workplace, x-ray activities and overtime by all CPSU members:

- Before 9am, and
- After 4.30pm.

This will commence on Friday 26 August 2011 and continue up to and include Friday 2 September 2011.

Business continuity plans have been activated in readiness for industrial action commencing on Friday 26 August. These same plans ensured the continuity of service delivery during previous industrial action and the department anticipates they will again ensure ongoing service delivery.

It is expected that operations will continue during periods of industrial action.

The department continues to conduct negotiations with the CPSU and remains confident that an agreement can be reached soon.

The Department will be minimising the impact on our staff, clients and stakeholders.

For further assistance, please contact your regional AQIS office until further notice.