

## EXERCISE TILQUA – PRE-EXERCISE ACTIVITIES

### Exercise *Tiliqua* Joining Instructions – Pre-workshop

#### Background:

A review of the NAMP, conducted in 2019, made a number of recommendations including that a minor desktop simulation is undertaken to test administrative and governance arrangements in the event of a clinical case(s) of bluetongue and to provide the background for additional contingency planning. In November 2020, the NAMP Steering Committee clarified that an exercise, informed by the 2017 Echuca bluetongue event, should test NAMP governance arrangements following the implementation of changes arising from the review.

**Exercise Aim:** The aim of the exercise is to test administrative and governance arrangements of the NAMP based upon scenarios of bluetongue detection in the BTV transmission-free zone of Australia and to recommend amendments if appropriate.

**Objectives:** The objectives to be achieved by conducting this exercise include:

1. Explore the application of the NAMP Operations plan and the NAMP business plan using bluetongue detection scenarios
2. Assess the consistency of processes for responding to BTV transmission incidents/detections (as described in the NAMP operating plan) with processes for dealing with notifiable diseases under state and territory legislation
3. Explore the interaction between national committees (e.g. AHC) and the NAMP committees in response to a BTV transmission detection scenario in the BTV transmission-free zone of Australia
4. Clarify the distinction between NAMP operating and business plans and state/territory and national response arrangements under AUSVETPLAN and the EADRA.
5. Determine if the NAMP arrangements are adequately understood by the target audiences.

**Exercise format:** All participants are asked to complete pre-workshop scenario-based activities, which will be followed by a discussion activity '*Exercise Tiliqua*'. Each NAMP TC member will use the **NAMP operating plan** and **NAMP business plan** and any other relevant resources (including state legislation, national arrangements and discussion with colleagues) to determine your organisation's position on the three scenarios provided:

- Scenario 1 – Green goes red scenario
- Scenario 2 – Clinical bluetongue disease scenario
- Scenario 3 – Committee interaction Scenario

A web-based discussion exercise will be held on 24 and 25 August to discuss responses from all NAMP TC members. Additional scenario information may be provided during the exercise.

#### Activity 1 (pre-workshop)

- Review Scenario Inputs 001, 002 and 003.
- Prepare your response to each scenario for discussion during *Exercise Tiliqua*, following the guidelines inserted under each scenario.
- Please forward your responses to Mikhaila Nye [mnye@animalhealthaustralia.com.au](mailto:mnye@animalhealthaustralia.com.au) by **COB 17 August 2021**

**Activity 2 discussion workshop** – will be conducted during the NAMP Technical Committee meeting.