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Administrative Assessment Report – Proposal P1055

Definitions for gene technology and new breeding techniques

<p>Brief Description of Proposal: To revise and update the definitions in the Code for ‘food produced using gene technology’ and ‘gene technology’ to make them clearer and to better reflect existing and emerging genetic technologies including new breeding techniques.</p>		<p>Potentially affected Standards: 1.1.1-10, 1.1.2-2, 1.5.2</p>
<p>Procedure: Major</p> <p>Reasons why: This work involves scientific and technical complexity, and may result in significant changes to the scope of the standard. This proposal requires two rounds of public comment to permit extensive consultation with stakeholders.</p>	<p>Estimated total hours: 2694</p> <p>Reasons why: This work requires a complex assessment of the risk to public health and safety; risk management, communication, economic, social sciences/behavioural and legal expertise; targeted consultation with key stakeholders and special interest groups; and the use of high-level advisory groups to discuss and interpret scientific evidence.</p>	<p>Estimated start work: February 2020</p>

Decision

Proposal prepared

Date: 20 February 2020

Consultation & assessment timeframe

Proposed length of public consultation periods:

1st call for submissions (6 weeks)

2nd call for submissions (6 weeks)

An Expert Advisory Group will be utilised. Targeted consultation with government agencies, industry and other stakeholders will also be required.

Proposed timeframe for assessment:

Commence assessment (clock start)	Late February 2020
Completion of assessment	Late May 2020
Public comment	Early June to Mid July 2020
Preparation of draft food reg measure	Late December 2020
Public comment	Early Jan to Late Feb 2021
Board to complete approval	Mid June 2021
Notification to Forum	Late June 2021
Anticipated gazettal if no review requested	Early September 2021