

# Australia's quarantine policy— science in practice

## A state government perspective

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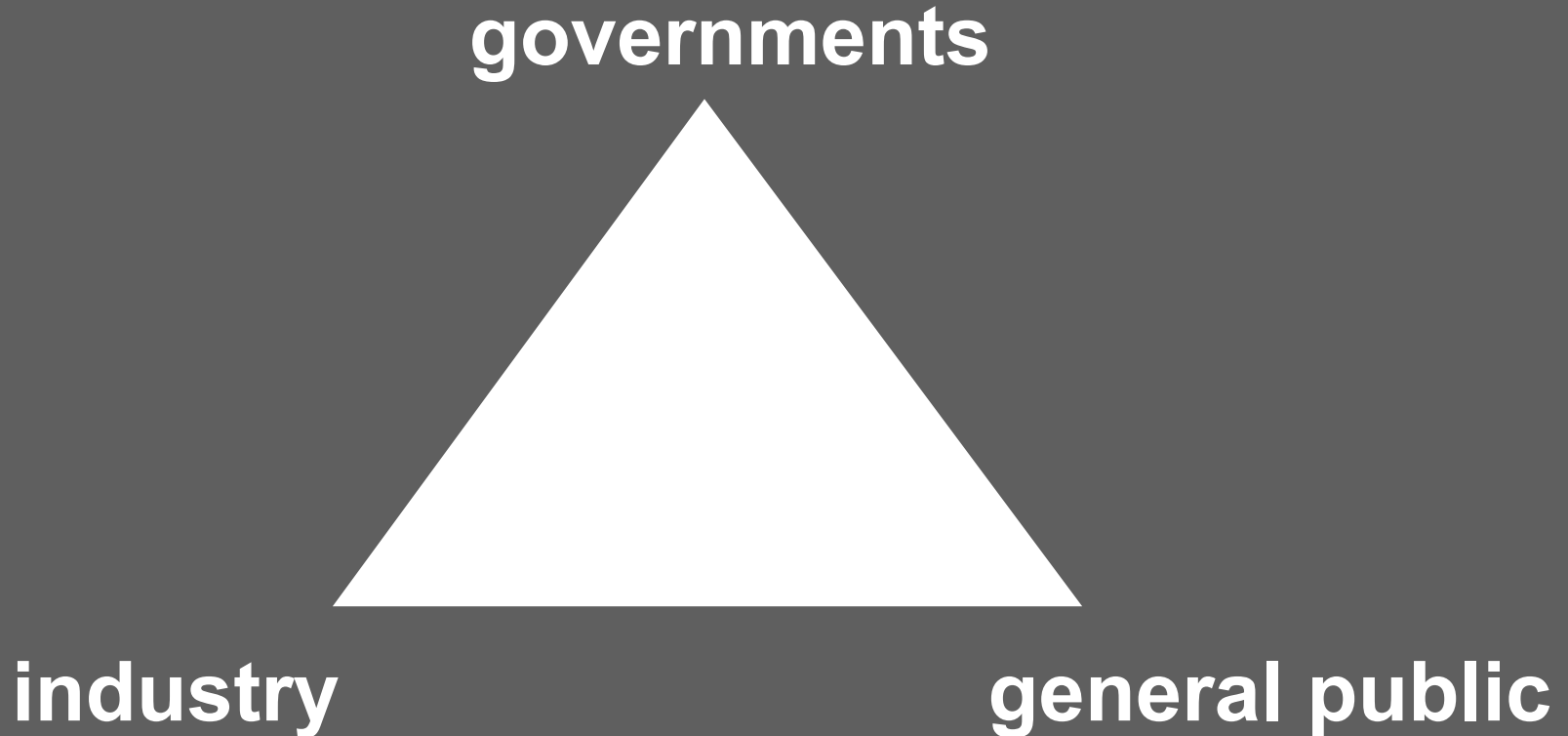
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# Shared responsibility



# Governments' responsibilities

	Commonwealth	State/Territories
Import policies	national	regional
Market access negotiations	exports	interstate
Legislation & compliance	border	intra-state
Technical capability & response	coordination & off-shore	maintenance & operations



# State biosecurity activities

- **risk analysis**
- **preparedness**—infrastructure and training
- **risk management**
  - prevention of entry, establishment or spread
  - surveillance for early detection or market access
  - responses to exotics and major endemics
- **market access facilitation**



# Queensland experience

<b>Risk analysis</b>	✓ Recognised likelihood and impact
<b>Preparedness</b>	✓ Research on taxonomy, biology, environmental impact. Global networks. Contingency planning ✓ Legislation
<b>Risk management</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>– Prevention</li><li>– Surveillance</li><li>– Response</li></ul>	✓ Border quarantine, off-shore activity ✓ Northern Australia Quarantine Strategy, trapping, monitoring, public awareness, mapping capability ✓ Emergency systems, repeated activity
<b>Market access</b>	✓ Active negotiation, treatment regimes, certification systems



# Maximising trade

- active involvement in international standard setting
- interstate harmonisation supported by dispute resolution arrangements
- jurisdictions assuming administrative responsibility for restrictions applied

