

# Minister Simmonds Portfolio Report



September 2024

This is the first Portfolio Report you have received.

It is on the agenda for discussion at the workplan and review meeting on 19 September.

Feedback is sought on the content and level of detail contained in the report to inform future reporting. Future reporting will be provided quarterly, with timing aligned to MfE's internal reporting.

## Priority outcomes

The dashboard summarises the activity for your portfolio mapped against the relevant priority outcome.

The priority outcomes originate from your letter to the Prime Minister on 29 January 2024 setting out Environment portfolio priorities for the next 3 years, and include further priorities as discussed with you on 24 June 2024.

The priority outcomes in this dashboard are those that include projects led by you. Separate dashboards have been prepared for Minister Bishop as Minister Responsible for RMA Reform, and Minister Hoggard for the areas of the Environment portfolio delegated to him. There is a separate dashboard for Minister Watts covering climate priorities.

## Notes:

- FTE numbers are based on allocation this month and will change over the financial year. Numbers do not necessarily sum to the total workforce number as some individuals work on multiple projects. The numbers should be read as indicative of the general size of each project at this point in time. The FTE total excludes managerial, legal, communication, impact analysis and other support functions.
- The waste programme is provisional until Cabinet approval is obtained via the Cabinet paper scheduled for October (this Cabinet paper will also include the revised Waste Strategy).
- The financial information provided is indicative, based on the initial budget allocations for work programmes, and may shift as MfE finalises its internal restructuring and budgeting processes. The graph on page 2 "*24/25 Vote environment funding by priority outcome*" illustrates the distribution of the Environment appropriation based on the funding allocated to priority outcome. The Recovery priority outcome is part of climate adaptation funded under the Climate appropriation, and therefore not included in this report.

# Portfolio Status Dashboard

Reporting Period: Sep 2024

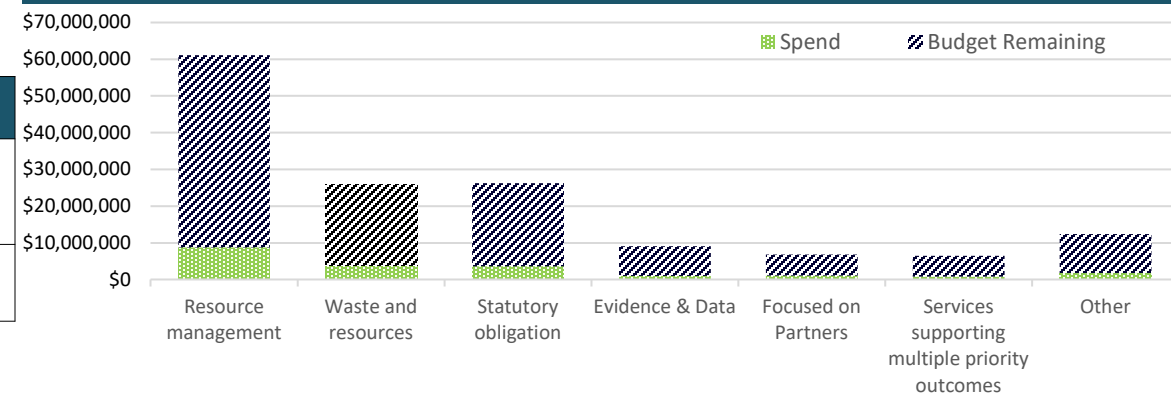
## OVERALL STATUS

- Overall good progress is being made against the agreed Q1 priorities. Projects not on the priority list have been scaled back to minimum viable product to ensure sufficient resources are available to work on the priorities. Further prioritisation through the FY will be required to ensure resources are allocated aligned to the Minister's priorities.
- Risk that MfE change process underway will impact on productivity over next quarter. Resources will be allocated to key priorities to manage.

PRIORITY OUTCOME	OVERALL	SCHEDULE	RISKS	ISSUES	RESOURCE	PARTNERS & STAKE-HOLDERS	COMMENTARY
Waste and resources: Reducing waste and addressing hazardous substances	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	At Risk	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Assessment of outcomes and recent performance of investment of the waste levy is now in contract with report due mid-Oct (to inform CAB-471).</li> <li>Key priority is approval of Cabinet paper covering waste work programme and revised Waste Strategy</li> <li>Product stewardship scheme is operating well overall with some areas requiring attention</li> <li>Waste sector chapter of ERP2 to be completed, key risk is resourcing.</li> <li>We continue to work with MFAT on preparations for INC-5 of the Global Plastics Treaty scheduled for the end of November.</li> </ul>
Statutory obligations	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	At Risk	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Environmental report Our Air 2024 is on track for release October and Environment Aotearoa 2025 report is on track for release April.</li> <li>Rakaia Water Conservation Order proceedings are currently underway.</li> <li>Ongoing oversight work (e.g. Ecan, ORC) on regional plans</li> </ul>
Evidence & Data: Improving the collection, analysis & reporting of data and evidence	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	At Risk	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving environmental data work (including indicators and monitoring standards) has joint environment Ministers alignment and agreement to progress. Cabinet paper to be drafted for December.</li> <li>Proposed ERA amendments reform package and draft Cabinet paper with your office to progress alongside Cabinet paper for data improvements.</li> <li>Environmental reporting programme on track</li> <li>Prioritising science and evidence input to policy priorities e.g. RM Phase 3</li> </ul>
Contribute to cross-agency and international work programmes	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	At Risk	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Key projects are discussions prior to Global Plastics Treaty November negotiations and working through submissions on Basel Convention consultation on non hazardous e-waste permits.</li> </ul>
Recovery (Q1 priority & subset of Climate Adaptation priority)	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	On Track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rural Recovery Works OIC comes into force on 20 September; Auckland Flood Control OIC to come into effect by end of October. We will then maintain oversight of council implementation of the full suite of OIC which have amended RMA requirements, removing red tape around recovery efforts.</li> </ul>

<span style="color: green;">■</span> On Track	<span style="color: orange;">■</span> At Risk	<span style="color: red;">■</span> Unlikely to be met
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## 24/25 VOTE ENVIRONMENT FUNDING BY PRIORITY OUTCOME



TYPE	KEY RISK / ISSUE	MITIGATION / ACTION
Risk	Tight delivery timeframes may lead to slippage causing major milestones to be missed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Risk being managed through proactive comms to enable decision makers to move quickly and giving early awareness of potential slippages to enable prioritization or resourcing changes to be made</li> </ul>
Risk	Ongoing general risk to delivery due to adjustment to reduced funding and potential staff movements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Actively managed by ongoing prioritisation of projects to align with Minister's priorities.</li> </ul>

# Minister Simmonds upcoming Cabinet Papers

Priority Outcome	Paper Number	CAB Paper Title	Date of CAB Meeting	Scale*	RAG
Statutory obligations	CAB-465	Environmental Protection Authority: Documentation to confirm appointments	09 September	Administrative	On Track
Recovery	CAB-466	Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Resource Management - Hawke's Bay Rural Recovery Works) Order 2024	16 September	Priority	
Recovery	CAB-451	Final report on the Ministerial Inquiry into Land Use in Tairāwhiti-Gisborne and Wairoa	TBC	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-474	Government response to the final report of the Environment Committee: Petition of Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society	30 September	Low Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-475	CAB-475 Environmental Protection Authority - Documentation to confirm appointment (Brett O'Riley)	30 September	Administrative	
Statutory obligations	CAB-484	Exceptional Fees for the Fast-track Expert Consenting Panel members under the NBEA 2023	30 September	Administrative	
Recovery	CAB-476	Severe Weather Emergency Recovery (Resource Management - Auckland Flood Resilience Works) Order 2024	10 October	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-483	Waste and resource efficiency work programme (includes the revised Waste Strategy)	21 October	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-471	Report-back on investment of the waste disposal levy	25 November	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-486	Implementing the Basel Convention e-waste amendment	25 November	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-482	Government response to Select Committee report on the petition of Lydia Chai to ban plastic waste exports to developing countries	25 November	Low Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-485	Implementing new persistent organic pollutants following the 2023 Stockholm Convention Conference of the Parties	9 December	Priority	
Waste and resources	CAB-472	Proposed product stewardship regulation for synthetic refrigerants	TBC	Priority	
Evidence & data	CAB-459	Proposals to reform the ERA 2015	TBC	Priority	
Waste and resources	TBA	Waste Advisory Board appointments to APH	TBC	Administrative	
Statutory obligations	TBA	Appointment of Te Awamutu Board of Inquiry members	TBC	Administrative	

\*Notes: Priority papers are those that can't have timeframes adjusted. Low priority papers could have timeframes adjusted if necessary. Administrative papers relate to appointments to Boards and Panels, and are relatively minor in scope and requirements.

# Waste and Resources Work Plan Summary

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  Min Simmonds Priority
 ★ Quarterly Priority
 ◆ On Track
 ◆ At Risk
 ◆ Unlikely to be met
 ✔ Completed

Outcome	Project	General Manager	FTE	R A G	2024		2025		Commentary				
					Q1	TODAY	Q2	Q3		Q4			
<b>Waste and resources:</b> Reducing waste and addressing hazardous substances	<b>Waste Minimisation Act amendments</b>	Glenn Wigley	7		Review of levy back-office functions and value for money of funds		◆ Cabinet report back on waste levy			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Overall tracking well, key consultant outputs will be completed by end September – will feed into November Cabinet paper.</li> </ul>			
					Strategic framework and future investment of levy options							◆	
					Implement new levy waivers		◆	Implement waste levy increase			◆		
					Waste legislation policy development							◆	
	Overview of legislative proposal briefing					✔	Tools for effective regulation of products briefing		◆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We will be updating you (Minister Simmonds) with a series of briefings through the remainder of 2024. The outputs associated with the levy report backs will be an important component of the legislation work.</li> <li>Advice setting out core proposals for reform currently being drafted. Stakeholder interest in this work.</li> </ul>			
	Data and compliance briefing					◆	Data and compliance briefing		◆				
	Product stewardship scheme policy development							◆					
	Cabinet decisions on Proposed product stewardship regulation for synthetic refrigerants					◆	Cabinet decisions to consult on Proposed product stewardship regulations for agrichemicals and farm plastics		◆				
	Tyres product stewardship scheme ongoing implementation and monitoring							◆					
	Policy development to support standardisation including guidance on trials, updates to the standard materials etc.							◆					
Recycling Leadership Forum - establishment of the RLF and servicing of the Forum going forward							◆						
<b>Waste system policy priorities</b>	Shaun Lewis	2.5		Tranche 2 plastics phase outs - produce labels – dependent on Cabinet decisions					◆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>We are working with the Recycling Leadership Forum on problematic materials for kerbside collections. The forum is also working with Australian Packaging Covenant Organisation to ensure the Australasian Recycling Label reflects the New Zealand market. Further advice on options for the remaining kerbside policies is being prepared.</li> <li>Advice on options to address issues with phasing out non compostable produce labels delivered; changes will be in the work programme Cabinet paper. Further advice on options for Tranche 3 of the plastics phase out policies is in train. Working with MFAT on preparations for INC-5 of the Global Plastics Treaty scheduled for the end of November, some resourcing risk that is being partially managed by narrowing negotiation scope.</li> </ul>			
				Ecolabelling trust options for Minister		✔	Tranche 3 plastics policy development		◆				
	Global Plastics treaty negotiations							◆					
	Shaun Lewis	1		Construction waste policy		◆	C&D baseline data project (Beca)		◆				
				Construction waste advice to the Minister		◆	Industry workshop		◆				
Engagement with the building and construction sector continues. Further advice is scheduled towards the end of the financial year.							◆						

# Waste and Resources Work Plan Summary (2 of 2)

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Outcome	Project	General Manager	FTE	RAG	2024		2025		Commentary				
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4					
Waste and resources: Reducing waste and addressing hazardous substances	Reducing emissions from waste	Glenn Wigley	3	Yellow	ERP2 Public Consultation <span style="color: green;">◆</span>	Public Consultation <span style="color: green;">◆</span>	Subs Analysis <span style="color: red;">◆</span> Unlikely to be met	Final Policies <span style="color: orange;">◆</span> Finalise ERP2 waste chapter of plan	Ministerial Consultation <span style="color: green;">◆</span> Amended ERP1 (waste & F-gas sector input)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On track to finalise waste chapter for ERP2 document. Impact of change process on resourcing is being managed, but tight and remains the key risk.</li> </ul>			
		Waste Investments Investment portfolio management	Conrad Lendrum	22	Green	Operationalise investment priorities <span style="color: green;">◆</span>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The opening of the CSVLF and reopening the WMF in October is on track. CSVLF launch will occur on site in Nelson with yourself and the Mayor.</li> <li>WMF and CSRF/CSVLF projects in the pipeline continue to be assessed and progressed.</li> <li>Management of projects in contract is tracking well.</li> <li>Risk around reduced staffing levels is requiring us to manage the work loads and priorities closely and is being managed through proactive comms.</li> </ul>			
	Establish Contaminated Sites and Vulnerable landfill fund <span style="color: green;">◆</span> Open the CSVLF												
	Ongoing management of WMF <span style="color: green;">◆</span>												
	★ Vulnerable landfills	Glenn Wigley	0.4	Green	Green	National assessment of landfills exposed to climate-related hazards <span style="color: green;">◆</span>		Improved landfill climate risk assessment tool <span style="color: green;">◆</span>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Project on track, Minister updated via weekly report item week of 9 September.</li> </ul>			
						Training on the tool <span style="color: green;">◆</span>							
						National overview of climate risk to landfills <span style="color: green;">◆</span>							
★ HSNO legislative amendments and policy priorities	Glenn Wigley	3	Yellow	Yellow	Basel convention – consultation on e-waste exports <span style="color: green;">◆</span>	Cabinet approval of amendments to Basel convention <span style="color: red;">◆</span> Unlikely to be met	Implement PCE recommendations on chemical management <span style="color: green;">◆</span>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Submissions on Basel convention e-waste exports recently closed, we are unlikely to have e waste amendments completed by end of calendar year. This will mean we will not meet the global entry into force until mid 2025.</li> <li>The HSNO policy work programme has a number of dependencies with the work of other agencies, particularly MBIE and MfR. All work is largely on track. There are some future resourcing issues that we are looking at resolving over next month.</li> </ul>				
					International convention obligations, negotiations and implementation (chemicals, waste and plastics) <span style="color: green;">◆</span>								
					Support MBIE on GMO proposals and Non- GMO HSNO changes <span style="color: green;">◆</span>								
					HSNO amendment – streamlining chemical approvals <span style="color: green;">◆</span>								
					Supporting MfR review of AgHort approvals under ACVM & HSNO A <span style="color: green;">◆</span>								

# Statutory Obligations Work Plan Summary (1 of 2)

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Outcome	Project	General Manager	FTE	R A G	2024		2025		Commentary	
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
Statutory obligations <span style="color: red; font-size: 2em; vertical-align: middle;">★</span>	Environmental Reporting	Jonathan Ryan	7		<div style="background-color: #e67e22; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Our Air 2024 Report</div> <span style="color: green; font-size: 1.2em; margin-left: 10px;">◆</span> Our Air 2024 published					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Our Air 24 Environmental Report development is currently running to timeline. External peer review has been completed as well as internal consistency checking. The team is currently working with Stats NZ for their consistency checking of the report which is tracking to schedule. The report is due for designing and review shortly</li> <li>Environment Aotearoa 2025 (3-yearly state of the environment synthesis report) on track</li> </ul>
					<div style="background-color: #e67e22; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Environment Aotearoa 2025</div> <span style="color: green; font-size: 1.2em; margin-left: 10px;">◆</span> EA 2025 published					
	Resource Management Act		Sara Clarke			<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Delivery and ops team responding to active matters including Rakaia WCO, Gisborne DC MILU recs, s107/s70</div> <span style="color: green; font-size: 1.2em; margin-left: 10px;">◆</span>				
		Sara Clarke	1.25		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">Water conservation orders</div> <span style="color: green; font-size: 1.2em; margin-left: 10px;">◆</span>				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rakaia WCO proceedings are currently underway, with hearings scheduled for November. The proceedings, brought by Fish and Game, look to determine responsibilities in relation to monitoring and enforcements of WCOs. MfE staff working with Crown Law Office to prepare necessary evidence or filing prior to the deadline.</li> </ul>	

# Statutory Obligations Work Plan Summary (2 of 2)

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					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4			
Statutory obligations	Administering the WMA	Glenn Wigley	17		Compliance monitoring and enforcement under the WMA including audit programme, Levy admin and compliance, regulation compliance				◆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Compliance functions broadly on track, BAU function. Some resourcing issues presenting.</li> <li>Phase 1 of the data regulations project (activity category reporting) has now been completed and will shift to BAU.</li> <li>Scoping of phase 2 (TA mandatory reporting) will commence from now, project planning and reporting currently in progress.</li> <li>Online Waste Levy System (OWLS) improvements underway.</li> </ul>	
					Waste data regulations				◆		
					◆	◆	First report due (phase 1 - activity category reporting)		Scope phase 2 (TA mandatory reporting) including defining systems requirements		
					First report due (phase 2)				◆		
					Servicing statutory Waste Advisory Board				◆		
	Crown Entities Act	Martin Workman	3		Crown entity appointments and monitoring (EPA)				◆		
					Statutory entity appointments and servicing (eg, Waikato River Authority Board)				◆		
	Fiordland (Te Moana o Atawhenua)	Hayden Johnston	0.7		Fiordland Marine Guardians secretariat support				◆		
					Fiordland Marine Guardians appointments process				◆		
◆					◆	Appointments works starts		Initial briefing		◆	
				Re/appointed Guardians confirmed		◆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Five of the eight Guardians have terms that are expiring in June 2025.</li> <li>Officials on-track to seek Ministerial direction on appointments process (including any reappointments) in Oct 2024</li> </ul>				

# Evidence & Data Work Plan Summary

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★ Quarterly Priority
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 ◆ Completed

Outcome	Project	General Manager	FTE	R A G	2024		2025		Commentary	
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4		
<b>Evidence &amp; Data: Improving the collection &amp; reporting of data and evidence</b> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">★</span>	Improving Env data systems, incl ERA amendments	Jonathan Ryan	8		<div style="background-color: #e67e22; padding: 5px;">Environmental Reporting Act (ERA) amendments</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 10px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 200px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 300px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 400px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 200px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<div style="color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> Bill for introduction	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Improving environmental data proposals has joint environment Ministers alignment and agreement to progress. Cabinet paper to be drafted for December.</li> <li>Proposed ERA amendments reform package and draft Cabinet paper is with your office. To progress alongside Cabinet paper for data improvements. DPMC provided positive feedback.</li> </ul>
	Investment in science and data to support reform and statutory work	Clare Barton	2		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Development of an investment plan</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Implementation of investment and regular reporting</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>An approach to investment in science and data to support MfE's work programme has been developed.</li> <li>\$5.35 million committed to science and data initiatives across all Minister portfolios from \$10 million budget this financial year. We expect the full \$10 million to be allocated by mid October</li> </ul>	
					<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">SSAG and UAG</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 10px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 200px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 300px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 400px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 500px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 600px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 200px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The Ministry have and will continue to be involved in the SSAG and UAG review processes.</li> <li>The science and policy evidence areas are focused on supporting MfE Policy workstreams e.g. climate adaptation and RM Phase 3.</li> </ul>	

# Severe Weather Recovery Work Plan Summary

Outcome	Project	General Manager	FTE	R A G	2024		2025		Commentary
					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	
<b>Recovery – removing red tape to speed recovery (subset of Climate Adaptation)</b> <span style="color: red; font-weight: bold;">★</span>	Orders in Council under the Severe Weather Recovery Legislation	Katherine Wilson	5		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Enactment of OiC for Hawkes Bay Rural Recovery Works</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div> <div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Enactment of OiC for Auckland Flood Works</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 200px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Monitoring and oversight of all SWERLA Orders in Council which have amended the RMA</div> <div style="background-color: #f4a460; padding: 5px;">Review of Orders</div> <div style="position: absolute; top: 10px; left: 100px; color: green; font-weight: bold;">◆</div>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Rural Recovery Works OiC comes into force on 20 September; On track for Auckland Flood Control OiC to come into effect by end of October.</li> <li>MfE's work will then shift to maintaining oversight of council implementation of the full suite of OiC which have amended RMA requirements, removing red tape around recovery efforts.</li> </ul>

# Cross-agency and International Work Plan Summary

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  On Track
  At Risk
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  Completed

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					Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4				
Contribute to cross-agency work programmes		Multiple			TODAY				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>These are some of the cross-agency priorities MfE is contributing to. Our role in them might be offering advice from an environment point of view, working through how the policy proposals interact with legislation MfE has a role in administering, or leading on environmental aspects of the policy development.</li> </ul>			
					Env system leader role in Investment Management and Asset Performance in the State Sector – TSY programme							
					Support MBIE-led Genetically Modified Organisms work							
					Support International Seabed Authority negotiations and advice on seabed mining							
					Managing ship biofouling in the Exclusive Economic Zone – input on changes to Biosecurity Act with MPI & EPA							
					Space programme/rocket lab launch limit and EEZ dumping regulations MBIE leads on space policy, and MfE works on EEZ regulations							
					Oil and gas decommissioning – MBIE progressing changes to Legal and Financial-related aspects, MfE lead on environmental aspects							
					Carbon Capture and Storage – Exclusive Economic Zone-related advice							
					Off-shore renewals, Marine Farms Bill, Wind farms							
Input on Global Biodiversity Framework as it relates to marine /marine protection policy positions												
Contribute to international work programmes		Hayden Johnston							<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>MfE supports MFAT in ongoing work around our international commitments for biodiversity, including the Kunming Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework, and the Convention of Biological Diversity.</li> <li>The next significant timeframe is the 2024 United National Biodiversity COP, which is 21 Oct - 1 Nov. MfE isn't sending a representative, but will support MFAT.</li> </ul>			