

# PUBLIC RELEASE OF 2019 ELECTION COMMITMENT COSTING

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| **Name of proposal costed:** **ACCC Agriculture Unit - continuation** | |
| **Costing Identifier:** | COA046 |
| **Summary of costing:** | The Coalition will provide $2.7 million per annum from 2020-21 to the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) to continue the operations of its Agriculture Unit.  The Unit will include a dedicated dairy advocate to focus on enforcement and compliance of the Dairy Mandatory Code of Conduct. |
| **Ongoing or Terminating (including date)(a)** | Ongoing |
| **Person making the request:** | Prime Minister |
| **Date costing request received:** | 9 May 2019 |
| **Date of public release of policy:** | 8 May 2019 |
| **Date costing completed:** | 13 May 2019 |
| **Additional information requested (including date):** | Not applicable. |
| **Additional information received (including date):** | Not applicable. |

1. Ongoing policies continue indefinitely (until a decision is made to cease or alter the program).

Terminating measures end on a date set out in the initial policy and a further decision is required to continue the program beyond this date.

## Financial implications (outturn prices)(b)

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| Impact on | 2018-19 | 2019-20 | 2020-21 | 2021-22 | 2022-23 |
| Underlying Cash Balance ($m) | 0.0 | 0.0 | -2.7 | -2.7 | -2.7 |
| Fiscal Balance ($m) | 0.0 | 0.0 | -2.7 | -2.7 | -2.7 |

1. A positive number for the fiscal balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in accrual terms. A positive number for the underlying cash balance indicates an increase in revenue or a decrease in expenses or net capital investment in cash terms.

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| **Where relevant, state that the proposal has been costed as a defined or specified amount.**  The proposal has been costed as a defined amount. |
| **Where relevant, include separate identification of revenue and expense components.** |

Not applicable.

**Where appropriate, include a range for the costing or sensitivity analysis.**

Not applicable.

**Qualifications to the costing (including reasons for the costing not being comprehensive).**

Not applicable.

**Where relevant, explain effects of departmental expenses.**

Not applicable.

**Where relevant, explain the reason for any significant differences between the assumptions specified in a party costing request and those used in a Treasury or Finance costing.**

Not applicable.

**Other comments (including reasons for significant differences between the estimated impact on the fiscal and underlying cash balances).**

In the 2019-20 Budget, the ACCC received $2.7 million in 2019-20 to continue the operation of the Agriculture Unit for one year.

In the 2019-20 Budget, the ACCC also received funding over 11 years ($2.2 million over four years from 2019-20) in relation to a mandatory code of conduct for the Australian dairy industry.

**Where relevant, include an explanation of the medium term implications of the proposal(c).**

Not applicable.

1. Information on the medium term implications will be provided if the cost of the policy is expected to be significantly different beyond the forward estimates period.

## Background information

### Costing methodology used:

### Not applicable.

**Behavioural assumptions used (as appropriate).**

Not applicable.