



EMERGENCY PROHIBITED MATTER DECLARATION 2025

under the

Biosecurity Act 2014

I, **GRAEME BOLTON**, Chief Executive of the Department of Primary Industries, in pursuance of section 31(1)(b) of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*, and having been satisfied that it is no longer practical for the biosecurity matter, *Varroa destructor*, to be subject to the provisions of the *Biosecurity Act 2014*, make the following Declaration.

Dated this 9th day of April 2025.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Graeme Bolton', is written over a horizontal line.

GRAEME BOLTON
Chief Executive
Department of Primary Industries

1. Name of Declaration

This Declaration is the *Emergency Prohibited Matter Declaration 2025*.

2. Commencement and Duration

(1) This Declaration commences on 9 April 2025.

(2) This Declaration has effect until revoked or amended.

3. Definitions

(1) In this Declaration:

the Act means the *Biosecurity Act 2014*.

(2) Unless otherwise defined in this Declaration, words and expressions that are defined in the Act have the same meaning in this Declaration.

4. **Declaration**

The biosecurity matter, *Varroa destructor* declared to be prohibited matter under section 29(1) of the Act is no longer prohibited matter.

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY PROHIBITED MATTER DECLARATION

On 9 April 2025, and pursuant to section 31 of the *Biosecurity Act 2014* (the Act), I made the *Emergency Prohibited Matter Declaration 2025*. The object of the *Emergency Prohibited Matter Declaration 2025* is to declare that the biosecurity matter *Varroa destructor* declared to be prohibited matter under section 29(1) of the Act, is no longer prohibited matter.

A copy of the *Emergency Prohibited Matter Declaration 2025* may be obtained by contacting the Department of Primary Industries Customer Service Centre on 13 25 23.



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Signed

Date

Graeme Bolton
Director-General
Department of Primary Industries