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## **Key Dates and Milestones**

### **Introduction of Cost Recovery to the National Gene Technology Scheme**

| <b>Date</b>                          | <b>Milestone</b>                                                                                                                                                                                           |
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| September 2026                       | Establishment of Industry Reference Group (IRG) with regulated stakeholders.                                                                                                                               |
| 6 October 2026                       | Cost Recovery Implementation Statement (CRIS) information seminar with industry peak bodies ahead of public consultation.                                                                                  |
| 7 October 2026 –<br>13 November 2026 | Draft CRIS released for public consultation on OGTR website, alongside cost recovery implementation timeframes.                                                                                            |
| 15 October 2026                      | Cost recovery information session at National Institutional Biosafety Committee (IBC) Forum.                                                                                                               |
| Late October 2026                    | Inaugural Cost Recovery Industry Reference Group (IRG) meeting. Initial meeting will be focused on CRIS and related feedback.                                                                              |
| Late October 2026                    | Information webinar during draft CRIS consultation to address stakeholder questions and concerns.                                                                                                          |
| December<br>2026/January 2027        | Information webinar outlining how stakeholder feedback on the draft CRIS has informed the final CRIS. Progression of final CRIS and related Phase 1 cost recovery arrangements for Ministerial endorsement |
| February 2027                        | Related legislative instruments considered at Executive Council Meeting.                                                                                                                                   |
| 1 March 2027                         | Phase 1 Cost Recovery arrangements commence.                                                                                                                                                               |