Biosecurity through Partnership

Key milestones in the GIA journey, 2003-2026

2003 - 2013

- 2003: The Biosecurity Strategy 2003 proposed joint funding between Government and primary sectors
- 2007: The Surveillance and Incursion Response Working Group established
- 2008-2011: Initial draft Deed developed, and Interim Governance Body (IGB) was established
- 2012: GIA Secretariat was created, and Biosecurity Act amendments enabled government-industry partnerships
- 2012-2013: MOU signed with 23 industry organisations and the Government, and the GIA Deed was revised and approved by Cabinet.

2014

- Kiwifruit Vine Health and MPI become the first signatories to join GIA
- NZ Pork join GIA
- Apples and Pears NZ (formerly Pipfruit NZ) join GIA.

2015

- NZ Equine Health Association join GIA
- Queensland Fruit Fly response in Auckland
- Onions NZ join GIA
- NZ Forestry Owners Association Inc join GIA.

2016

- NZ Avocado Growers, NZ Citrus, Tomatoes NZ, Vegetables NZ, Potatoes NZ, Kiwiberries and Nashi NZ join GIA
- First OA under GIA, for the management of Fruit Fly, signed and Fruit Fly Council stood up
- Release of the GIA Response Guide
- First review of the GIA Deed concluded.
- DGG releases Engagement Across the System policy for GIA members

2017

- New Zealand Winegrowers Incorporated, Dairy Companies Association of New Zealand Incorporated, Summerfruit New Zealand Incorporated, Meat Industry Association of New Zealand Incorporated, Horticulture NZ, Beef and Lamb NZ, and DairyNZ join GIA
- GIA Operations Limited established
- GIA Executive Committee established
- Second multi-sector OA for the management of Brown Marmorated Stink Bug agreed and the BMSB Council stood up
- First Fruit Fly Strategy released
- Response to the livestock disease Mycoplasma Bovis OA initiated.

2018

- Beef and Lamb NZ, Horticulture New Zealand Incorporated, and DairyNZ join GIA
- A response to an outbreak of Potato Mop Top Virus (PMTV) was initiated, the first horticultural sector response under GIA
- First BMSB Strategy released
- Approval for use of samurai wasp as a biocontrol agent should New Zealand face a BMSB outbreak.

2019

- Deer Industry New Zealand and New Zealand Aquaculture Limited join GIA
- Auckland Fruit Fly response successfully eradicated a breeding population of Queensland Fruit Flies and Facialis Fruit Fly
- Crown Indemnity issued
- Xylella Advisory Group stood up.

2020

- Response initiated for the equine disease Theileria Equi
- Response initiated for an outbreak of Tomato Red Spider Mite
- Response initiated for an outbreak of Tomato Brown Rugose Fruit Virus
- Seed and Grain Readiness and Response sign the GIA Deed
- GIA Operations Limited assumes responsibility for the GIA Secretariat
- Lepidoptera Working Group stood up
- GIA Executive Commitee disbanded.

2021

- Response initiated for an outbreak of Pepino Mosaic Virus
- Response initiated for an outbreak of Black Grass
- NZ Plant Producers Incorporated join GIA
- Plant Production Biosecurity Scheme OA signed and Plant Pass launched
- GIA Deed review completed.

2022

- Response initiated for finds of Fall armyworm in the North Island
- Response initiated for an outbreak of Potato Spindle Tuber Virus
- Fruit Fly OA renegotiated and renewed for a further five years
- Decision making and dispute operational rule updated
- Livestock Sector Biosecurity Council Chief Executive's Forum established
- GIA Accountability Operational rule agreed by Partners.

2023

- Poultry Industry NZ signs the GIA Deed
- BMSB OA renegotiated and renewed for a further five-year term
- Solanaceous Biosecurity Working Group stood up
- Pest Impact and Beneficiary Classification pilot gets underway.

2024

- First imports of the biocontrol agent, Samurai wasp (Trissolocus japonicus) by the BMSB Council
- Ten-year anniversary of the first signing of the GIA Deed in May
- Crown Indemnity renewed
- GIA Strategic Framework agreed by partnership
- H7N1 Avian Influenza response in Otago
- Egg Producers Federation NZ sign the GIA Deed.

2025

- Responses to Black Grass, Yellow Legged Hornets, and Oriental Fruit Flies under GIA
- Foot and Mouth Disease Operational Agreement signed
- FMD Council stood up
- Poultry Industries Operational Agreement signed
- Poultry Council stood up
- GIA Kahui stood up, and Plant sector Māori engagemented pilot initiated.

2026

- Responses to Oriental Fruit Fly and Queensland Fruit Fly
- Third review of the GIA Deed gets underway
- H5N1 Avian Influenza found in NZ for the first time.