

ONGOING PROJECT

National Biosecurity and Sustainable Plant Production Program

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What's in it for you?

This project supports growers to improve plant health, reduce pest and disease risk, and strengthen their on-farm systems.

Whether you're preparing for biosecurity audits, responding to new risks or just want to lift your production standards, NY20001 offers direct, practical support. It puts technical expertise on the ground – and helps ensure growers aren't facing compliance or plant protection challenges alone.

What the project delivers

NY20001 provides:

- on-the-ground support from regional Extension Officers
- practical tools and technical resources to improve production practices
- risk management advice tailored to your nursery operation
- help adopting structured approaches to biosecurity and plant protection
- national coordination to ensure consistent support across regions.

Extension Officers work directly with growers – visiting nurseries, troubleshooting issues, offering training, and helping businesses build stronger systems.

The project also supports growers engaging with the Australian Plant Production Standard (APPS) framework – including NIASA, EcoHort and BioSecure HACCP – by providing guidance and technical advice where relevant.





So what? What's changed?

Growers who've worked with NY20001 say the support has helped them:

- strengthen hygiene and pest prevention practices
- improve crop monitoring and reduce unnecessary chemical use
- save time and avoid rework with clearer systems and protocols
- better understand what's required for interstate movement and market access
- feel more confident responding to emerging biosecurity threats.

Importantly, many growers have adopted individual best-practice elements even without pursuing formal certification – a sign the support is practical, scalable and relevant.

Why this matters

Pest risks are rising. Market expectations are changing. And reactive approaches just don't cut it anymore.

NY20001 helps nurseries move from "putting out fires" to building systems that prevent problems before they start – backed by science, industry standards and experienced support.

It's not about red tape. It's about smarter, safer growing.

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