

1. **ACERA Project No.:** 06 / 09
2. **Project Title:** Stakeholder mapping for effective risk assessment and communication
3. **Theme:** Communication and decision making
4. **Rationale:** Stakeholder mapping is a basic tool for understanding the potential role of stakeholders in risk assessments, hazard identification processes, review/oversight committees and multi-criteria decision exercises. The process of stakeholder mapping, if carried out in a consultative manner, can also contribute to building legitimacy and ownership for risk identification, assessment and management processes. It can assist scientists and modelers in constructing models that are accessible to the non-academic audience and it can provide insight on how to communicate risk. This project will review the theoretical paradigms and methods for constructing stakeholder maps and provide guidelines on their effective use in processes relevant to biosecurity risk assessment and communication.
5. **Outputs:** This project will provide a report on a focus group held in July 2006, as part of the Society for Risk Analysis meeting in Melbourne. This report will scope alternative approaches and provide expert assessments of their utility. The project will review existing methods, using the focus group outcomes as a starting point, and will run a workshop in February 2007 to test and develop the approaches identified in the review. A final report in April 2007 will document complete findings and provide detailed recommendations for stakeholder mapping for circumstances relevant to biosecurity.
6. **Time frame:** Commencing: *July 2006*, Finishing: *April 2007*

7. Project Leader(s):

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8. Resources

	06/07	07/08	08/09
<i>Salaries and stipends</i>	35,000		
<i>Travel (including working group)</i>	34,000		
<i>Operating, capital and project management</i>	6,000		
Project Total	\$75,000		

9. **End Users:** AQIS, BA, PIAPH, AusBioSec, AHA, PHA