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DEV-22-MIN-0295

Cabinet Economic Development Committee

Minute of Decision

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Refreshed Agritech Industry Transformation Plan: Release for Public Consultation

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On 7 December 2022, the Cabinet Economic Development Committee (DEV):

1 **noted** that on 24 June 2020, DEV approved the launch of the Agritech Industry Transformation Plan, which aims to scale up the value of New Zealand's agritech sector to aid the economic recovery from the COVID-19 pandemic [DEV-20-MIN-0083];

2 **noted** that the Agritech Industry Transformation Plan has seen business, government, Māori, and wider stakeholders co-create and co-own a refreshed Agritech Industry Transformation Plan, to accelerate the growth of New Zealand's agritech sector;

3 **noted** that the priorities and actions in the Agritech Industry Transformation Plan align with the government's economic strategy of a high-wage, low-emissions economy that provides economic resilience;

4 **noted** that the refreshed Agritech Industry Transformation Plan proposes actions across the following six focus areas:

4.1 enabling company growth by ensuring business capability services are provided consistently and well;

4.2 building skills for diversity and growth, and ensuring effective coordination with the education sector;

4.3 enabling a smart ecosystem through collaboration that attracts international interest;

4.4 increased Māori interests and participation that ensure Māori aspirations are realised;

4.5 building a supporting and patient investment environment suited for agritech;

4.6 increasing global connections for growth to build a globally connected sector;

5 **agreed** to the release of the Agritech Industry Transformation Plan, attached as Appendix One to the paper under DEV-22-SUB-0295, for public consultation, subject to any minor or technical changes that may be required;

6 **authorised** the Minister of Agriculture and the Minister for Economic and Regional Development to approve the release the final Agritech Industry Transformation Plan following the public consultation, subject to any minor and technical changes that may be required.

Jenny Vickers
Committee Secretary

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Hon Dr Megan Woods
Hon Andrew Little
Hon Nanaia Mahuta
Hon Damien O'Connor
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Hon Kiri Allan
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