

Financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2022

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# FISHERIES RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION (FRDC)

# STATEMENT BY THE MANAGING DIRECTOR AND CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

In our opinion, the attached financial statements for the period ended 30 April 2022 comply with subsection 42(2) of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013 (PGPA Act), and are based on properly maintained financial records as per subsection 41(2) of the PGPA Act.

In our opinion, at the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the FRDC will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

Patrick W Dae	Jun 10, 2022
Signed	Date
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Signed Ms Cheryl Cole Chief Financial Officer	Date

				Original
				budget PBS
		2021-22	2020-21	2021-22
	Notes	\$	\$	\$
NET COST OF SERVICES				
Expenses				
Employee benefits	1.1A	2,846,534	2,642,890	3,385,000
Suppliers	1.1B	773,895	791,654	1,181,000
Research & Development	1.1C	19,989,846	23,228,077	28,815,000
Depreciation and amortisation	2.2A	296,398	289,723	385,000
Finance costs	1.1D	6,499	7,008	6,000
Other expenses	1.1F	484,902	451,174	850,000
Total expenses		24,398,074	27,410,526	34,622,000
Own-source income				
Own-source revenue				
Revenue from contracts with customers	1.2A	800,000	9,730	-
Interest	1.2B	34,179	92,914	100,000
Contributions	1.2C	5,451,678	5,306,585	9,438,000
Other revenue	1.2D	62,445	103,934	2,000,000
Total own-source revenue		6,348,302	5,513,163	11,538,000
Total own-source income		6,348,302	5,513,163	11,538,000
Net cost of services		18,049,772	21,897,363	23,084,000
Revenue from the Australian Government	1.2E	16,973,990	16,543,957	23,135,000
Surplus/(deficit) on continuing operations		(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51,000
OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME				
Items not subject to subsequent reclassification to net of	ost of services			
Changes in asset revaluation reserves	2.2A	-	-	-
Total other comprehensive income		-		-
Total comprehensive income/(loss)		(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51.000

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

				Original
				budget PBS
	Notes	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$	2021-22 \$
ASSETS		<u> </u>	<u> </u>	
Financial assets				
Cash and cash equivalents	2.1A	26,991,493	20,805,382	22,150,000
Trade and other receivables	2.1B	1,833,516	2,419,380	1,163,000
Total financial assets	2.15	28,825,009	23,224,762	23,313,000
Non-financial assets <sup>1</sup>				
Buildings	2.2A	708,495	692,162	615,000
Plant and equipment	2.2A	71,995	93,242	109,000
Computer software	2.2A	397,921	517,392	722,000
Other non-financial assets	2.2B	6,648	8,084	15,000
Total non-financial assets		1,185,059	1,310,880	1,461,000
Total assets		30,010,068	24,535,642	24,774,000
LIABILITIES				
Payables				
Suppliers	2.3A	70,514	63,823	200,000
Projects	2.3B	2,804,899	1,095,393	250,000
Other payables	2.3C	-	-	-
Total payables		2,875,413	1,159,216	450,000
Interest bearing liabilities				
Leases	2.4A	753,797	711,091	772,000
Total interest bearing liabilities		753,797	711,091	772,000
Provisions				
Employee provisions	3.1A	877,901	873,273	790,000
Total provisions	3.1A	877,901	873,273	790,000
Total liabilities		4,507,111	2,743,580	2,012,000
Net assets		25,502,957	21,792,062	22,762,000
EQUITY		FC4 7CF	F26 FF4	F.63.000
Asset revaluation reserve		561,765	526,551	562,000
Retained earnings		24,941,192	21,265,511	22,200,000
Total equity		25,502,957	21,792,062	22,762,000

 $<sup>^1</sup>$  Right-of-use assets are included in the following line item - Buildings. The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

			Original
			budget PBS
	2021-22	2020-21	2021-22
	\$	\$	\$
RETAINED EARNINGS			
Opening balance			
Balance carried forward from previous period	26,016,974	26,618,919	22,711,000
Adjusted opening balance	26,016,974	26,618,919	22,711,000
Comprehensive income			
(Deficit)/surplus for the period	(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51,000
Total comprehensive income	(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51,000
Closing balance as at 30 April 2022	24,941,192	21,265,513	22,762,000
ASSET REVALUATION RESERVE			
Opening balance			
Balance carried forward from previous period	561,765	526,551	562,000
Opening balance	561,765	526,551	562,000
Comprehensive income			
Other comprehensive income	-	-	-
Total comprehensive income	-	_	_
Closing balance as at 30 April 2022	561,765	526,551	562,000
TOTAL EQUITY			
Opening balance			
Balance carried forward from previous period	26,578,739	27,145,468	22,711,000
Adjusted opening balance	26,578,739	27,145,468	22,711,000
Comprehensive income			
Surplus/(deficit) for the period	(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51,000
Total comprehensive income	(1,075,782)	(5,353,406)	51,000
Closing balance as at 30 April 2022	25,502,957	21,792,062	22,762,000

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

				Original
				Budget PBS
	Notes	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$	2021-22 \$
OPERATING ACTIVITIES		·		
Cash received				
Receipts from the Australian Government		20,216,552	17,983,317	24,579,000
Contributions		6,438,900	4,306,045	10,281,000
Interest		22,017	91,317	100,000
Net GST received		1,605,261	1,887,858	-
Other		68,690	114,327	-
Total cash received		28,351,420	24,382,864	34,960,000
Cash used				
Employees		(2,788,002)	(2,465,055)	(3,345,000)
Suppliers		(940,261)	(1,021,806)	(481,000)
Research & Development		(22,137,988)	(25,825,773)	(28,815,000)
Interest payments on lease liabilities		(6,499)	(7,008)	(6,000)
Other		(533,392)	(505,091)	(1,550,000)
Total cash used		(26,406,142)	(29,824,733)	(34,197,000)
Net cash from operating activities		1,945,278	(5,441,869)	763,000
INVESTING ACTIVITIES				
Cash used				
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-	(20,000)
Purchase of intangibles		(20,960)	(27,593)	(200,000)
Total cash used		(20,960)	(27,593)	(220,000)
Net cash (used by) investing activities		(20,960)	(27,593)	(220,000)
FINANCING ACTIVITIES				
Cash used				
Principal payments of lease liabilities		(115,079)	(136,504)	(165,000)
Total cash used		(115,079)	(136,504)	(165,000)
Net cash (used by) financing activities		(115,079)	(136,504)	(165,000)
Net increase in cash held		1,809,239	(5,605,966)	378,000
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		25,182,254	26,411,348	21,772,000
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period	2.1A	26,991,493	20,805,382	22,150,000

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

#### Overview

# Objectives of the FRDC

The FRDC is an Australian Government controlled entity. It is a not-for-profit entity established as a statutory corporation on 2 July 1991 under the provisions of the *Primary Industries Research and Development Act 1989* (PIRD Act). The FRDC's mission is to act as a national thought leader, facilitating knowledge creation, collaboration and innovation to shape the future of fishing and aquaculture in Australia for the benefit of the Australian people. To achieve this, the FRDC plans, invests in and manages research and development for fishing and aquaculture, and the wider community, and ensures that the resulting knowledge and innovation is adopted for impact. The FRDC also undertakes monitoring of key indicators of change across fishing and aquaculture. This helps in the evaluation of impact that results from the FRDC's investments. Information collected is also of use to decision makers, to understand and respond to emerging issues.

The FRDC's strong relationships with sectors, managers and researchers are fundamental to enable the needs of key stakeholders to be identified and addressed.

The FRDC is structured to meet the following outcome:

Increased economic, social and environmental benefits for Australian fishing and aquaculture, and the wider community, by investing in knowledge, innovation, and marketing.

The continued existence of the FRDC in its present form, and with its present outcome, is dependent on Australian Government policy, and on continuing funding from the Australian Government for the FRDC's outcome.

#### The basis of preparation

The financial statements are general purpose financial statements, and are required by section 42 of the Public Governance, Performance and Accountability Act 2013.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with:

- a) Public Governance, Performance and Accountability (Financial Reporting) Rule 2015 (FRR); and
- b) Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations Reduced Disclosure Requirements issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board (AASB) that apply for the reporting period.

The financial statements have been prepared on an accrual basis, and in accordance with the historical cost convention, except for certain assets and liabilities at fair value. Except where stated, no allowance is made for the effect of changing prices on the results or the financial position. The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars.

### **New Australian Accounting Standards**

Adoption of new Australian Accounting Standard requirements

No accounting standard has been adopted earlier than the application date as stated in the standard.

The new standards, revised standards, interpretations and amending standards that were issued prior to the signing of the statements by the:
Board Chair; Finance and Audit Committee Chair; Managing Director; and Chief Financial Officer; and are applicable to the current reporting period, did not have a material impact, and are not expected to have a future material impact, on the FRDC's financial statements.

#### Taxation

The FRDC is exempt from all forms of taxation except Fringe Benefits Tax (FBT) and the Goods and Services Tax (GST).

#### Events after the reporting period

No reportable events have occurred after the Statement of Financial Position date

### Financial performance

Note 1.1: Expenses	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$
Note 1.1A: Employee benefits		
Wages and salaries	2,341,603	2,073,462
Superannuation		
Defined contribution plans	179,537	131,837
Defined benefit plans	273,450	259,757
Leave and other entitlements	51,944	177,834
Total employee benefits	2,846,534	2,642,890

Accounting policies for employee related expenses are contained in the People and relationships section Note 3.1A.

Goods and services supplied or rendered	
Asset purchases less than \$5,000 63,397	47,775
Audit fees -	-
External service providers 89,496	205,948
Insurance 25,183	32,480
Information technology 320,087	339,900
Legal <b>15,648</b>	26,383
Office supplies 11,533	7,339
Postage and couriers 2,727	1,105
Property 17,879	12,564
Recruitment/director selection costs 25,843	-
Telecommunications 21,632	23,999
Training 52,412	22,839
Travel <b>17,967</b>	24,834
Other 97,113	37,191
Total goods and services supplied or rendered 760,917	782,357
Other suppliers	
Workers compensation expenses 8,058 Operating lease rentals 4,920	5,319 3,978
Total other suppliers 12,978	9,297
Total suppliers 773,895	791,654

The FRDC has no short-term lease commitments as at 30 April 2022.

The above lease disclosures should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notes 1.1B, 1.1D, 2.2A and 2.4A.

# Accounting policy

Short-term leases and leases of low-value assets
The FRDC has no right-of-use assets and lease liabilities for short-term leases or leases of low-value assets, that have a lease term of 12 months or less.

Note 1.1: Expenses continued	2021-22 \$	2020-21
Note 1.1C: Research & Development		
Australian Government entities (related parties)	923,709	1,483,588
State and territory governments	4,314,206	6,394,362
Universities and educational bodies	7,886,414	8,444,633
Cooperative research centres	182,062	-
Research and development corporations	642,841	50,000
Industry (commercial, recreational and Indigenous)	4,130,761	5,350,239
Overseas research entities	-	-
Private providers	1,909,854	1,505,255
Total Research & Development	19,989,846	23,228,077

### Accounting policy

The FRDC recognises project liabilities through project agreements that require research partners to perform services or provide facilities, or to meet eligibility criteria. In these cases, liabilities are recognised only to the extent that the services required have been performed, an invoice issued consistent with the contractual requirements, and the eligibility criteria have been satisfied by the research partner to the FRDC's satisfaction and approved invoice payment by the relevant delegate.

#### **Project commitments**

**Total finance costs** 

**Total other expenses** 

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Project commitments comprise the future funding of approved projects that are contingent on the achievement of agreed deliverables over the life of those projects (project agreements are exchanged prior to release of the first payment on a project). Projects, where amounts were payable but were unpaid at the end of the period, have been brought to account as project payables. The FRDC contracts to fund projects in future years in advance of receipt of the income needed to fund them. FRDC manages this risk by having the project agreement allow for termination at its sole discretion for any reason. If the FRDC were to terminate a project agreement, it would only be liable to compensate the research partner for any reasonable costs in respect of unavoidable loss incurred by the research provider and directly attributable to the termination of the agreement, provided that the costs are fully substantiated to the FRDC.

Within 1 year	20,408,988	16,275,169
Greater than 1 year	53,310,987	35,060,044
Over 5 years (from 1 July 2027)	55,000	55,000
Total project commitments	73,774,975	51,390,213
Note: Project commitments are GST inclusive.		
Note 1.1D: Finance costs Finance leases 1	6.499	7.008

6,499

484,902

7,008

451,174

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The above lease disclosures should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notes 1.1B, 2.2A and 2.4A.

Note 1.1E: Write down and impairment or assets		
Write down of intangible assets	-	-
Total write down and impairment of assets		-
Note 1.1F: Other expenses		

Note 1.1F: Other expenses		
Stakeholder Engagement		
Annual report	8,920	1,000
Factsheets	-	-
Communications external provider	138,323	86,196
Media releases and monitoring	29,300	18,280
Stakeholder engagement events	-	-
Stakeholder Communications	297,669	344,970
Corporate merchandise	7,506	-
Digital media (Photos, videos, Podcasts etc)	3,184	232
Education materials and factsheets	-	496

Note 1.2: Own-source income and revenue from the Australian Government	2021-22 \$	2020-21 Ş
Own-source revenue		
Note 1.2A: Revenue from contracts with customers		
Australian Government entities (related parties) - over time	800,000	9,730
Total revenue from contracts with customers	800,000	9,730
Accounting policy		
The FRDC receives revenue from the Australian Government under which it manages a suite of re Note 3.4B. FRDC has specific funding agreements with the Australian Government that include er The FRDC initially recognises the funding received as a credit liability entry to recognise the contr performance obligations have been satisfied as per the funding agreement milestones over time, with customers, unwinding the liability.	nforceable rights and performance act liability (refer Note 2.3B). Onc	e obligations. e the
Note 1.2B: Interest		
Deposits	34,179	92,914
Total interest	34,179	92,914
Accounting policy Interest revenue is recognised using the effective interest method.		
Note 1.2C: Contributions		
Fisheries	250 420	224.040
Australian Prawn Farmers Association	250,438	231,919
Australian Fisheries Management Authority	19,000	18,000
Australian Capital Territory	16,500	
New South Wales	485,596	426,005
Northern Territory	222,937	212,189
Queensland	560,000	535,000
South Australia	758,133	570,780
Tasmania	2,086,121	1,664,304
Victoria	51,000	45,000
Western Australia	1,001,953	1,603,388
Total contributions	5,451,678	5,306,585
Accounting policy		
Contributions are recognised when:		
<ul><li>a) the FRDC obtains control of the contribution or the right to receive the contribution;</li><li>b) it is probable that the economic benefits comprising the contribution will flow to the FRDC,</li><li>c) the amount of the contribution can be reliably measured.</li></ul>	; and	
Note 1.2D: Other revenue		
Project funds received	-	1,946
Project refunds of prior years expenditure Other	59,561 2,884	101,988
Total other revenue	62,445	103,934
Accounting policy		
Project funds received are recognised when they are entitled to be received by the FRDC.		
Project refunds from research partners are brought to account when received.		
Note 1.2E: Revenue from the Australian Government		
Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment		
Corporate Commonwealth entity payment item of 0.50% of AGVP 1	14,052,209	13,404,114
Matching of industry contributions <sup>2</sup>	2,921,781	3,139,843
Total revenue from the Australian Government	16,973,990	16,543,957

# Accounting policy

# Revenue from the Australian Government

 $Revenues \ from \ the \ Australian \ Government \ are \ recognised \ when \ they \ are \ entitled \ to \ be \ received \ by \ the \ FRDC.$ 

Funding received or receivable from non-corporate Commonwealth entities (appropriated to the non-corporate Commonwealth entity as a corporate Commonwealth entity payment item for payment to this entity) is recognised as revenue from Government by the corporate Commonwealth entity unless the funding is in the nature of an equity injection or a loan.

AGVP is the average gross value of fisheries production for the current year and the two preceding financial years. The Australian Government's contribution of 0.50% of AGVP is made on the grounds that the FRDC exercises a stewardship role in relation to fisheries resources on behalf of the Australian community.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Matching of industry contributions (up to 0.25% of AGVP) by the Australian Government.

# Financial position

Note 2.1: Financial assets	\$	\$
Note 2.1A: Cash and cash equivalents		
Cash on hand or at call	6,991,493	5,805,382
Cash on deposit:	0,551,453	3,603,362
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Fixed term deposit - original term 6 months	30,000,000	-
Fixed term deposit - original term 5 months	20,000,000	45 000 000
Fixed term deposit - original term 1 month	<del></del>	15,000,000
Total cash and cash equivalents	26,991,493	20,805,382
Accounting policy		
Cash is recognised at its nominal amount. Cash and cash equivalents includes:		
a) cash on hand; and		
b) demand deposits in bank accounts with an original maturity of three months or less that are reac	lily convertible	
to known amounts of cash and subject to insignificant risk of changes in value.		
Note 2.1B: Trade and other receivables		
Goods and services receivables		
Goods and services <sup>1</sup>	1,729,272	2,216,972
Total goods and services receivables	1,729,272	2,216,972
Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment		
Receivables	_	-
Total receivables from Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment	<u> </u>	-
Other receivables		
GST receivables from the Australian Taxation Office	92,082	200,811
FBT receivable from the Australian Taxation Office	32,002	200,811
Interest receivable from the Commonwealth Bank	12,162	1,597
Total other receivables	104,244	202,408
Total trade and other receivables	1,833,516	2,419,380
Trade and other receivables are expected to be recovered		
No more than 12 months	1,833,516	2,419,380
Total trade and other receivables	1,833,516	2,419,380
Trade and other receivables aged as follows		
Not overdue 1	806,761	1,968,721
Overdue by	800,701	1,300,721
0 to 30 days	471,385	_
31 to 60 days	515,770	450,659
•	39,600	-30,039
61 to 90 days	33,000	

2021-22

1,833,516

2,419,380

2020-21

Total trade and other receivables

Accounting policy
Financial assets
Trade receivables, loans and other receivables that are held for the purpose of collecting the contractual cash flows where the cash flows are solely payments of principal and interest, that are not provided at below-market interest rates, are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method adjusted for any loss allowance.

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Credit terms for goods and services are within 30 days (2020-21: 30 days).

# Note 2.2: Non-financial assets

# $\underline{\textbf{Note 2.2A: Reconciliation of the opening and closing balances of property, plant and equipment and intangibles}$

### Reconciliation of the opening and closing balances of property, plant and equipment and intangibles

			Intangibles	
		Plant and	(computer	
	Buildings <sup>1</sup>	equipment	software)	Total
	\$	\$	\$	\$
As at 1 July 2021				<u> </u>
Gross book value	1,009,479	121,200	1,321,362	2,452,041
Accumulated depreciation and amortisation	(339,291)	-	(833,222)	(1,172,513)
Total as at 1 July 2021	670,188	121,200	488,140	1,279,528
Additions				<u> </u>
Purchase	-	-	-	-
Internally developed	-	-	20,960	20,960
Right-of-use-assets <sup>2</sup>	174,321	-	-	174,321
Depreciation and amortisation	-	(49,205)	(111,179)	(160,384)
Depreciation on right-of-use assets	(136,014)	-	-	(136,014)
Total as at 30 April 2022	708,495	71,995	397,921	1,178,411
Total as at 30 April 2022 represented by				
Gross book value	1,183,800	121,200	1,342,322	2,647,322
Accumulated depreciation and amortisation	(475,305)	(49,205)	(944,401)	(1,468,911)
Total as at 30 April 2022	708,495	71,995	397,921	1,178,411
Carrying amount of right-of-use assets	708,495	-	-	708,495

# <sup>1</sup> Right-of-use-assets (Building leases)

# Canberra office

The lease for the office accommodation at 25 Geils Court, Deakin, Australian Capital Territory expires 31 July 2023, with a 3 year right of renewal until 31 July 2026. Lease payments are subject to a 3 percent annual increase in accordance with the lease agreement.

### Adelaide office

The Lease for the office accommodation at Wine Australia, corner of Botanic and Hackney Roads, Adelaide, South Australia was renewed 1 August 2021 and expires on 31 July 2026, with an option to review on 1 August 2026. Lease payments are subject to a CPI annual increase in accordance with the lease agreement.

No indicators of impairment were found for plant and equipment or intangibles.

No plant and equipment is expected to be sold or disposed of within the next 12 months.

### Accounting policy

Assets are recorded at cost on acquisition except as stated below. The cost of acquisition includes the fair value of assets transferred in exchange and liabilities undertaken. Financial assets are initially measured at their fair value plus transaction costs where appropriate.

Assets acquired at no cost, or for nominal consideration, are initially recognised as assets and income at their fair value at the date of acquisition, unless acquired as a consequence of restructuring of administrative arrangements. In the latter case, assets are initially recognised as contributions by owners at the amounts at which they were recognised in the transferor's accounts immediately prior to the restructuring.

#### Asset recognition threshold

Purchases of property, plant and equipment are recognised initially at cost in the Statement of Financial Position, except for purchases costing less than \$5,000 that are expensed in the year of acquisition (other than where they form part of a group of similar items where the value is greater than \$5,000).

### Lease right-of-use (ROU) assets

Lease ROU assets are capitalised at the commencement date of the lease and comprise of the initial lease liability amount, initial direct costs incurred when entering into the lease less any lease incentives received. These assets are accounted for by Commonwealth lessees as separate asset classes to corresponding assets owned outright, but included in the same column as where the corresponding underlying assets would be presented if they were owned.

On initial adoption of AASB 16 the FRDC has adjusted the ROU assets at the date of initial application by the amount of any provision for onerous leases recognised immediately before the date of initial application. Following initial application, an impairment review is undertaken for any right-of-use lease asset that shows indicators of impairment and an impairment loss is recognised against any right-of-use lease asset that is impaired. Lease ROU assets continue to be measured at cost after initial recognition in Commonwealth agency, GGS and whole of government financial statements.

#### Revaluations

Following initial recognition at cost, property, plant and equipment (excluding ROU assets) are carried at fair value less subsequent accumulated depreciation and accumulated impairment losses. Valuations are conducted with sufficient frequency to ensure that the carrying amounts of assets do not differ materially from the assets' fair values as at the reporting date. The regularity of independent valuations depend on the volatility of movements in market values for the relevant assets.

Revaluation adjustments are made on a class basis. Any revaluation increment is credited to equity under the heading of asset revaluation reserve except to the extent that it reverses a previous revaluation decrement of the same asset class that was previously recognised in the surplus/deficit. Revaluation decrements for a class of assets are recognised directly in the surplus/deficit except to the extent that they reversed a previous revaluation increment for that class.

Any accumulated depreciation as at the revaluation date is eliminated against the gross carrying amount of the asset, and the asset restated to the revalued amount.

#### Depreciation

Depreciable property, plant and equipment assets are written off to their estimated residual values over their estimated useful lives to the FRDC using, in all cases, the straight-line method of depreciation.

Depreciation rates (useful lives), residual values and methods are reviewed at each reporting date and necessary adjustments are recognised in the current, or current and future reporting periods, as appropriate.

Depreciation rates applying to each class of depreciable asset are based on the following useful lives:

	2021-22	2020-21
Buildings (including ROU assets)	Lease term	Lease term
Leasehold improvements	Lease term	Lease term
Plant and equipment	up to 5 years	up to 5 years

#### <u>Impairment</u>

All assets were assessed for impairment at 30 April 2022. Where indications of impairment exist, the asset's recoverable amount is estimated and an impairment adjustment made if the asset's recoverable amount is less than its carrying amount.

The recoverable amount of an asset is the higher of its fair value less costs of disposal and its value in use. Value in use is the present value of the future cash flows expected to be derived from the asset. Where the future economic benefit of an asset is not primarily dependent on the asset's ability to generate future cash flows, and the asset would be replaced if the entity were deprived of the asset, its value in use is taken to be its depreciated replacement cost.

# Derecognition

An item of property, plant and equipment is derecognised upon disposal, or when no further future economic benefits are expected from its use or disposal.

### Intangibles

The FRDC's intangibles comprise internally developed software and purchased software for internal use. These assets are carried at cost less accumulated amortisation and accumulated impairment losses.

Software is amortised on a straight-line basis over its anticipated useful life. The useful lives of the FRDC's software is 10 years (2020-21: 10 years).

All software assets were assessed for indications of impairment as at 30 April 2022.

	2021-22	2020-21
Note 2.2: Non-financial assets continued	\$	\$
Note 2.2B: Other non-financial assets		
Prepayments	6,648	8,084
Total other non-financial assets	6,648	8,084
No indicators of impairment were found for other non-financial assets.		
	2021-22	2020-21
Note 2.3: Payables	\$	\$
Note 2.3A: Suppliers and other payables		
Trade creditors and accruals	-	-
FBT payable	(2,011)	(3,447)
PAYG payable	72,525	67,270
Other	<u>-</u>	-
Total suppliers and other payables	70,514	63,823
Settlement is usually made within 30 days.		
Note 2.3B: Projects		
State and territory government expense	45,713	-
Overseas	-	-
Universities and educational bodies	367,826	-
Cooperative research centres	-	-
Industry (commercial, recreational and Indigenous)	-	-
Overseas research entities	-	-
Contract liability 1	2,795,559	817,548
Other	(404,199)	277,845
Total projects	2,804,899	1,095,393

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The contract liability is associated with funding provided for research & development activities under Funding Agreements with the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment, NSW Department of Primary Industries , Australian Maritime Safety Authority and Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority as detailed below.

Department of Agriculture. Water and the Environment

- Assist with data generation to support Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority application
- Development of on-farm biosecurity plan implementation support programs for aquaculture industry
- AQUAPLAN Development Workshop Publication
- Aquatic Animal Health Training Scheme 2019 2022
- Compilation of Information for the Marine Mammal Protection Act Comparability Finding Process
- Indigenous Engagement Strategy
- Finfish Ectoparasites Ag Vet 6 4-G1AHKTN

The FRDC recognised a contract liability in 2021-22 totalling: \$479,659

NSW Department of Primary Industries

- NSW seafood product development program
   Research project to investigate and develop a framework to establish Aboriginal commercial fishing, aquaculture and other related businesses in NSW
- Research and development for Harvest Strategies in NSW

The FRDC recognised a contract liability in 2021-22 totalling: \$1,325,900

Australian Maritime Safety Authority

Seafood Industry Safety Initiative SISI funding support

The FRDC recognised a contract liability in 2021-22 totalling: \$690,000

Great Barrier Reef Marine Park Authority

• Habitat ecological risk assessment for eco-regions with high trawl footprints, in southern Queensland

The FRDC recognised a contract liability in 2021-22 totalling: \$300,000

# Accounting policy

Project payables are recognised at their nominal amounts, being the amounts at which the liabilities will be settled. They relate to payments approved on achievement of agreed deliverables, but which were unpaid at the end of the reporting period. Settlement is usually made within

As per AASB 15 Revenue from Contracts with Customers, contract liabilities are recognised at their nominal amounts, being the amounts at which the liabilities are not yet settled. They relate to payments received for funding provided for research and development activities, of which specific performance obligations were not met at the end of the reporting period.

## Note 2.3C: Other payables Other Total other payables

Note 2.4: Interest bearing liabilities	2021-22	2020-21
Note 2.44: Interest bearing nationales	7	<u>&gt;</u>
Lease liabilities <sup>1</sup>	753,797	711,091
Total leases	753,797	711,091

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Total cash outflow for leases for the period ended 30 April 2022 was \$115,079 plus finance costs of \$6,499.

The FRDC in its capacity as lessee has leased office accommodation located at:

- 25 Geils Court, Deakin, Australian Capital Territory, which expires 31 July 2023, and has a 3 year right of renewal until 31 July 2026. Lease payments are paid on a monthly basis and subject to a 3 per cent annual increase in accordance with the lease agreement.
- Wine Australia, corner of Botanic and Hackney Roads, Adelaide, South Australia was renewed 1 August 2021 and expires on 31 July 2026, with an option to review on 1 August 2026. Lease payments are subject to a CPI annual increase in accordance with the lease agreement.

The above lease disclosures should be read in conjunction with the accompanying Notes 1.1B, 1.1D, 2.2A and 2.4A.

#### Accounting Policy

For all new contracts entered into, the FRDC considers whether the contract is, or contains a lease. A lease is defined as 'a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration'.

Once it has been determined that a contract is, or contains a lease, the lease liability is initially measured at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at the commencement date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease, if that rate is readily determinable, or the department's incremental borrowing rate.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability will be reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification to the lease. When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the right-of-use asset or profit and loss depending on the nature of the reassessment or modification.

#### People and relationships

	2021-22	2020-21
Note 3.1: Employee provisions	\$	\$
Note 3.1A: Employee provisions		
Leave	877,901	873,273
Total employee provisions	877,901	873,273
Employee provisions that could be settled		
No more than 12 months	741,631	745,155
More than 12 months	136,270	128,118
Total employee provisions	877,901	873,273

#### Accounting policy

Liabilities for short-term employee benefits and termination benefits expected within 12 months of the end of reporting period are measured at their nominal amounts. Other long-term employee benefits are measured as net total of the present value of the defined benefit obligation at the end of the reporting period minus the fair value at the end of the reporting period of plan assets (if any) out of which the obligations are to be settled directly.

# Leave

The liability for employee benefits includes provision for annual leave and long service leave. The leave liabilities are calculated on the basis of employees' remuneration at the estimated salary rates that will be applied at the time the leave is taken, including the entity's employer superannuation contribution rates to the extent that the leave is likely to be taken during service rather than paid out on termination. The estimate of the present value of the liability takes into account attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation.

# Superannuation

The FRDC's staff are members of the Public Sector Superannuation Scheme (PSS), or the PSS accumulation plan (PSSap), or other superannuation funds held outside the Australian Government.

The PSS is a defined benefit scheme for the Australian Government. The PSSap and any other superannuation funds are defined contribution schemes.

The liability for defined benefits is recognised in the financial statements of the Australian Government and is settled by the Australian Government in due course. This liability is reported in the Department of Finance's administered schedules and notes.

The FRDC makes employer contributions to the employee's defined benefit superannuation scheme at rates determined by an actuary to be sufficient to meet the current cost to the Australian Government. The entity accounts for the contributions as if they were contributions to defined contribution plans.

	2021-22	2020-21
Note 3.2: Key management personnel remuneration	\$	\$

Key management personnel are those persons having authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the FRDC, directly or indirectly, including any director of the board (whether executive or otherwise) of the FRDC. The FRDC has determined the key management personnel to be the non-executive directors, the Managing Director and senior general managers. Key management personnel remuneration is reported in the table below:

Short-term employee benefits (salary )	1,220,364	1,073,871
Post-employment benefits (superannuation)	196,823	204,442
Other long-term employee benefits (Annual and long service leave)	131,182	128,025
Total key management personnel remuneration expenses †	1,548,369	1,406,338

- <sup>1</sup> The total number of key management personnel that are included in the above table is 19 (2020-21: 13). They are made up of:
  - one non-executive director (Chair)
  - seven non-executive directors
  - one Managing Director
  - five senior general managers
  - five non-executive directors (retired 31 August 2021)

e 3.3: Annual total remuneration ranges (including superannuation) paid to key management person	2021-22 nel	2020-21
Nil to \$39,999	10	1
\$40,000 to \$69,999	3	8
\$160,000 to \$239,999	5	5
\$300,000 to \$329,999	0	0
\$360,000 to \$389,999	1	1
al number of key management personnel	19	15

# Note 3.4: Related party disclosures

#### Related party relationships

The FRDC is an Australian Government controlled entity. Related parties to this entity are non-executive directors, the Managing Director, and senior general managers and other Australian Government entities.

The non-executive directors and the Managing Director of the FRDC during the year were:

Mr John Williams	Chair (Chair Remuneration Committee)
Professor Colin D. Buxton	Director (Re-appointed 1 September 2021) (Deputy Chair)
Dr Christopher Calogeras	Director (Appointed 1 September 2021)
Dr Saranne Cooke	Director (Re-Appointed 1 September 2021) (Chair Finance and Audit Committee)
Dr Patrick Hone	Managing Director
Mrs Suzanne Hullick	Director (Appointed 1 September 2021) (Member Finance and Audit Committee)
Mr Boris Musa	Director (Appointed 1 September 2021) (Member Finance and Audit Committee)
Mr Alex Ogg	Director (Appointed 1 September 2021) (Member Remuneration Committee)
Dr Lyndal Thorburn	Director (Appointed 1 September 2021) (Member Remuneration Committee)
Dr Kathryn Brooks	Director (Retired 31 August 2021)
Ms Katina Hodson-Thomas	Director (Retired 31 August 2021)
Mr Mark King	Director (Retired 31 August 2021)
Mr John Lloyd	Director (Retired 31 August 2021)
Dr Lesley MacLeod	Director (Retired 31 August 2021)

#### Note 3.4A: Transactions with director-related entities

The FRDC's practice is to disclose all transactions with an entity with whom a director has an association. This means that where directors have disclosed a material personal interest, all the transactions with that entity will be disclosed. Typically, the FRDC will not transact with all the entities for which a director has made such a declaration. The transactions that are not with related parties as defined by AASB124 Related Party Disclosures, are identified below with an asterisk (\*)

The FRDC's 'Board governance policy' provides guidance to directors on how the FRDC deals with material personal interests. Where a director has an association with an entity where a conflict has the potential to arise, in addition to the duty to disclose that association, the director absents him/herself from both the discussion and the decision-making process.

Given the breadth of Australian Government activities, related parties may transact with the government sector in the same capacity as ordinary citizens. Such transactions include the payment or refund of taxes, receipt of a Medicare rebate or higher education loans. These transactions have not been separately disclosed in this note.

The directors disclosed material personal interests during the directors' related period.

Director	Organisation and position held	Nature of interest
Dr K. Brooks	School of Humanities and Social Sciences,	Research projects or
(Retired 31 August	Faculty of Arts and Education	work undertaken by
2021)	Deakin University	the organisation
	Adjunct Associate Professor	
	1 July 2021 to 31 August 2021	
Professor C. D.	Southern Rock Lobster Ltd	Research projects or
Buxton	Chair	work undertaken by
	1 July 2021 to current	the organisation
	Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies	Research projects or
	University of Tasmania *	work undertaken by
	Adjunct Professor	the organisation
	1 July 2021 to current	
Dr C. Calogeras	C-AID Consultants	Research projects or
	Director	work undertaken by
	1 September 2021 to current	the organisation
Dr P. Hone	Council of Rural Research and Development	Research projects or
	Corporation	work undertaken by
	Member	the organisation
	1 July 2021 to current	
	National Marine Science Committee	Research projects or
	Member	work undertaken by
	1 July 2021 to current	the organisation
Mr A. Ogg	Seafood Industry Australia	Research projects or
	Member	work undertaken by
1	1 September 2021 to current	the organisation

The following transactions occurred during the directors' related period with these entities.

Transactions with related entities	2021-22		2020-21	
Transactions with related entitles	Expenditure	Income	Expenditure	Income
School of Humanities and Social Sciences, Faculty of Arts and Education Deakin University	97,141	-	53,312	-
Southern Rock Lobster Ltd	222,200	-	264,000	-
Institute for Marine and Antarctic Studies University of Tasmania	3,616,495	-	4,813,470	-
C-AID Consultants	228,043	-	-	-
Council of Rural Research and Development Corporation	7,773	-	22,159	-
National Marine Science Committee	5,000	-	-	-
Seafood Industry Australia	271,700	-	-	-

All transactions were conducted under normal terms and conditions and include GST.

### Note 3.4B: Other related party disclosures

### Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment

The FRDC has a Research & Development Funding Head Agreement with the Department of Agriculture, Water and the Environment under which it manages the suite of activities detailed below:

- Assist with data generation to support Australian Pesticides and Veterinary Medicines Authority (APVMA) application
- National Carp Control Program
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Development of on-farm biosecurity plan implementation support programs for the aquaculture industry}$
- AQUAPLAN Development Workshop Publication
- Aquatic Animal Health Training Scheme 2019 2022
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Compilation of Information for the Marine Mammal Protection Act Comparability Finding Process}$
- Indigenous Engagement Strategy
- $\bullet$  Finfish Ectoparasites Ag Vet 6 4-G1AHKTN
- Rural R&D for Profit: Growing a profitable, innovative and collaborative Australian Yellowtail Kingfish aquaculture industry: bringing 'white' fish to the market
- Tuna Champions Phase 2

The FRDC has received new funding from the Department of Agiculture, Water and the Environment in 2021-22 totalling: \$800,000 (2020-21: \$9,730).

#### Financial instrument and fair value measurement

Note 4.1: Financial instruments	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$
Note 4.1A: Categories of financial instruments		
Financial assets at amortised cost		
Cash and cash equivalents	26,991,493	20,805,382
Trade and other receivables	1,741,434	2,218,569
Total financial assets at amortised cost	28,732,927	23,023,951
Total financial assets	28,732,927	23,023,951
Financial liabilities		
Financial liabilities measured at amortised cost		
Suppliers and other payables	-	-
Projects	2,804,899	1,095,393
Total financial liabilities measured at amortised cost	2,804,899	1,095,393
Total financial liabilities	2,804,899	1,095,393

### Accounting policy

### Financial assets

As per AASB 9 Financial Instruments, the FRDC classifies its financial assets in the following category:

- financial assets measured at amortised cost.

The classification depends on both the entity's business model for managing the financial assets and contractual cash flow characteristics at the time of initial recognition. Financial assets are recognised when the entity becomes a party to the contract and, as a consequence, has a legal right to receive or a legal obligation to pay cash and derecognised when the contractual rights to the cash flows from the financial asset expire or are transferred upon trade date.

Comparatives have not been restated on initial application.

# Financial assets at amortised cost

Financial assets included in this category need to meet two criteria:

- 1. the financial asset is held in order to collect the contractual cash flows; and
- $2. \ the \ cash \ flows \ are \ solely \ payments \ of \ principal \ and \ interest \ (SPPI) \ on \ the \ principal \ outstanding \ amount.$

#### Effective interest method

Income is recognised on an effective interest rate basis for financial assets that are recognised at amortised cost.

### Impairment of financial assets

Financial assets are assessed for impairment at the end of each reporting period based on expected credit losses, using the general approach which measures the loss allowance based on an amount equal to lifetime expected credit losses where risk has significantly increased, or an amount equal to 12-month expected credit losses if risk has not increased.

The simplified approach for trade, contract and lease receivables is used. This approach always measures the loss allowance as the amount equal to the lifetime expected credit losses.

A write-off constitutes a derecognition event where the write-off directly reduces the gross carrying amount of the financial asset.

#### inancial liabilities

Financial liabilities are classified as either financial liabilities 'at fair value through profit or loss' or other financial liabilities.

Financial liabilities are recognised and derecognised upon 'trade date'.

### Financial liabilities at amortised cost

Financial liabilities, including borrowings, are initially measured at fair value, net of transaction costs. These liabilities are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method, with interest expense recognised on an effective interest basis.

Supplier and other payables are recognised at amortised cost. Liabilities are recognised to the extent that the goods or services have been received (and irrespective of having been invoiced).

Note 4.1B: Net gain or loss from financial assets	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$
Financial assets at amortised cost	<del></del>	
Interest revenue (Note 1.2B)	34,179	92,914
Net gains on financial assets at amortised cost	34,179	92,914
There are no gains or losses on financial liabilities.		

# Note 4.2: Fair value measurement

#### Accounting policy

FRDC engaged Jones Lang LaSalle Public Sector Valuations (JLL) to conduct an asset revaluation of all non-financial assets as at 30 June 2021. An annual assessment is undertaken to determine whether the carrying amount of the assets is materially different from the fair value. Comprehensive valuations are carried out at least once every three years. JLL has provided written assurance to the FRDC that the models developed are in compliance with AASB 13.

The methods utilised to determine and substantiate the unobservable inputs are derived and evaluated as follows.

Physical depreciation and obsolescence - assets that do not transact with enough frequency or transparency to develop objective opinions of value from observable market evidence that have been measured using the depreciated replacement cost approach. Under the depreciated replacement cost approach, the estimated cost to replace the asset is calculated and then adjusted to take into account physical depreciation and obsolescence. Physical depreciation and obsolescence has been determined based on professional judgement regarding physical, economic and external obsolescence factors relevant to the asset under consideration. For all leasehold improvement assets, the consumed economic  $benefit\,/\,asset\,obsolescence\,deduction\,is\,determined\,based\,on\,the\,term\,of\,the\,associated\,lease$ 

FRDC's policy is to recognise transfers into, and transfers out of, fair value hierarchy levels as at the end of the reporting period.

	at the end of the	Fair value measurements at the end of the reporting period	
	2021-22 \$	2020-21 \$	
Non-financial assets			
Leasehold improvements	107,600	111,450	
Plant and equipment	13,600	17,950	
Total non-financial assets	121,200	129,400	

The FRDC did not measure any non-financial assets at fair value on a non-recurring basis as at 30 April 2022.

As at 30 June 2021, Jones Lang LaSalle Public Sector Valuations conducted a revaluation of plant and equipment. The table above summarises the results of the valuation at fair value. A revaluation increment was applied to the asset revaluation reserve by asset class and included in the equity section of the Statement of Financial Position. Refer Note: 2.2A.

#### Other information

	2021-22	2020-21
Note 5.1: Current/non-current distinction for assets and liabilities	\$	\$
Note 5.1A: Current/non-current distinction for assets and liabilities		
Assets expected to be recovered in:		
No more than 12 months		
Cash and cash equivalents	26,991,493	20,805,382
Trade and other receivables	1,833,516	2,419,380
Other non-financial assets	6,648	8,084
Total no more than 12 months	28,831,657	23,232,846
More than 12 months	<del></del>	
Buildings	708,495	692,162
Plant and equipment	71,995	93,242
Computer software	397,921	517,392
Total more than 12 months	1,178,411	1,302,796
Total assets	30,010,068	24,535,642
Liabilities expected to be settled in:		
No more than 12 months		
Suppliers	70,514	63,823
Projects	2,804,899	1,095,393
Other payables	-	-
Leases	167,119	151,065
Employee provisions	741,631	745,155
Total no more than 12 months	3,784,163	2,055,436
More than 12 months	<del></del>	
Leases	586,678	560,026
Employee provisions	136,270	128,118
Total more than 12 months	722,948	688,144
Total liabilities	4,507,111	2,743,580

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