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Senator Lines asked:

Mr Archer: The funding agreement was executed on 16 October. In the roughly four months since then, most of the focus has been on planning the phase 2 project. In terms of the agreement that we have with NCCARF, the milestones that have been reached relate to the delivery of a project plan; a monitoring and evaluation work program; a proposal for hosting arrangements for the Adaptation Research Networks, of which there are four; and a stakeholder engagement plan. As I said, the focus really has been on commencement of the project, and we will start to see those plans being executed.

Senator LINES: Have they got dates for start-up?

Mr Archer: I am sure that they do; I do not think that I have those with me.

Senator LINES: I think that you have outlined four areas that your planning focused on, so perhaps you can take on notice to give us the start dates for those actions.

Mr Archer: Yes, I am happy to do that.

Answer:

NCCARF has delivered to the Department the following project outputs:

Deliverable	Date received by the Department
Project plan	31 October 2014
Monitoring and evaluation plan	28 November 2014
Proposed arrangements for hosting of adaptation research networks	19 December 2014
Stakeholder engagement plan	29 January 2015

Contract negotiations are currently underway between NCCARF and the hosts of the adaptation research networks, after which a series of planned activities will commence.

Details on the delivery dates of subsequent project milestones are outlined in the response to question 81.