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Q7: What requirements will my veterinarian need to follow to write an official health certificate on my cattle?

A7: Surrounding states will require your herd veterinarian to inspect and provide a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) prior to loading the cattle for movement to their state. Nebraska, and likely other states, will also require the statement, “These cattle and bison originated from within one of the DSA’s and have permanent, individual identification”, to be written on the face of the CVI if the cattle came from within the DSA previously.

If the cattle do not come from or have never been physically in the DSA for any period of time, then the statement, “These cattle and bison do not originate from within the DSA”, must be written on the face of the CVI.

Your herd veterinarian should always verify these requirements with the respective state of destination prior to certifying them for movement in case of changes in movement requirements.

Q8. What are brucellosis herd plans, and the benefits of having one?

A8. Brucellosis herd plans are agreements between livestock producers and the WLSB that outline specific measures that producers can take to reduce the risk of contracting brucellosis in their herds. By having a herd plan, producers can benefit by having the costs of brucellosis adult vaccination and booster vaccinations of heifers paid for by the WLSB. For further information regarding developing a herd plan for your herd, contact the WLSB.

Q9. Where can I get more Information?

A9: **Wyoming Livestock Board**
1934 Wyott Drive
Cheyenne, WY 82002
Tel: 307-777-7515

WLSB Riverton Field Office
610 Fairgrounds Road
Riverton, WY 82501
Tel: 307-857-4140

Web: <http://wlsb.state.wy.us>

Wyoming State Veterinarian:
Jim Logan, DVM (Riverton)

Assistant State Veterinarian:
Bob Meyer, DVM (Cheyenne)

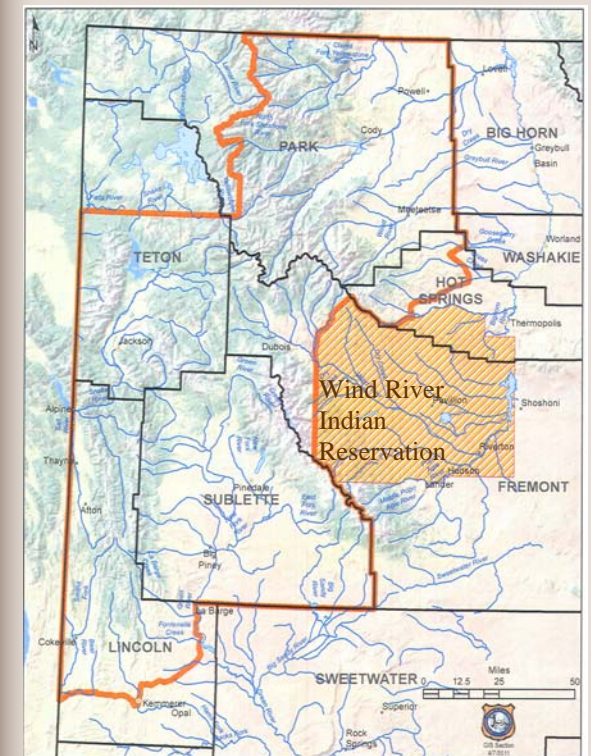
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Identification of Cattle Moving from the Brucellosis Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) of Wyoming



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Q1 Where may I find the most recent Wyoming Livestock Board (WLSB) Rules and Orders addressing the requirements for moving cattle from the Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) in Wyoming?

A1: Chapter 2 of the WLSB rules entitled “Vaccination Against and Surveillance for Brucellosis” contain this information. These rules provide guidance to Wyoming’s livestock industry and other stakeholders regarding the prevention of and surveillance for Brucellosis to ensure the health and marketability of Wyoming livestock. Recent WLSB Orders defining DSA boundaries and cattle Identification requirements for cattle leaving the DSA also provide valuable information.

Please visit the WLSB website (<http://wlsb.state.wy.us>) or call the WLSB @ (307) 777-7515 for copies of the Chapter 2 Rules and recent WLSB Orders.

Q2: Where may I find a description of the newly-defined Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) in Wyoming?

A2: A recent WLSB Order redefines the boundaries of the DSA which will become effective April 30, 2011. In general, the newly-defined boundaries of the DSA will include all of Park, Sublette

and Teton counties, the northwest corner of Hot Springs county, Lincoln County north and west of Hwy 30 and Hwy 189 respectively, and Fremont County west of the Wind River Indian Reservation.

Q3: Why do I need to identify my sexually intact cattle leaving the DSA?

A3: Recent changes in cattle importation requirements by surrounding states, particularly Nebraska, Colorado and South Dakota, specify that **all sexually intact cattle and bison, regardless of age, leaving the DSA** must be identified either with permanent, official USDA/APHIS approved ID, or be individually identified to state of origin using a unique ID number for each animal. A recent WLSB Order also extends this same requirement to cattle leaving the DSA traveling to other locations within Wyoming. For a copy of this Order, please visit the WLSB website (<http://wlsb.state.wy.us>).

Q4: If my herd is located outside the DSA, are there any ID requirements?

A4: Yes. Wyoming’s Chapter 2 Rules state that it is the livestock owner’s responsibility to ensure that all sexually intact female cattle 12 months of age and over

that leave a herd are identified with USDA or WLSB approved individual identification prior to a change of ownership.

Q5: What ID devices can I use to meet these requirements?

A5: Wyoming livestock producers and veterinarians have several options including either USDA approved, official identification tags or WLSB approved devices. USDA ID devices include the (a) orange, brucellosis vaccination metal tag, (b) the silver, USDA/APHIS metal tag, or (c) a yellow, official RFID tag beginning with the numbers “840”. WLSB approved devices include the (d) green, metal tag beginning with the letters “WY”.



RFID devices obtained from the Wyoming Business Council and used in the Wyoming Verified age-source verification program will be acceptable for cattle traveling to NE, CO and SD. Other

age and source verification program identification may also be approved, but producers should check with the WLSB and the state of destination to verify before moving cattle into or out of the DSA.

Q6: Where can I obtain ID devices for use in my cattle?

A6: Your herd veterinarian will be able to apply any USDA official identification device they have been issued. WLSB approved tags such as the green, metal tags may be applied by producers. They may be obtained without cost by calling:

307-777-7515
Ask for Animal Health Unit
(Cheyenne)
OR
307-857-4140
(Riverton Field Office)
OR
Email: Lindsay Johnson at
Lindsay.Johnson@wyo.gov
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Doug Leinart at
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