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Wyoming Livestock Board Chapter Rules Out for Public Comment

The Wyoming Livestock Board has made proposed revisions to its Chapter 8 Import rule. The revised rule is now out for public comment which ends August 4, 2017 and can be viewed at wlsb.state.wy.us.

The Chapter 8 rules have been revised to condense, consolidate, and clarify the intent of the import requirements and to remove redundant language in keeping with the Governor's Rules Initiative. Several definitions have been deleted or amended to clarify the more substantive sections of the rules. We have changed many definitions to use the common name of animal species instead of the scientific name to make the rules more understandable to lay people. Updates on references to Federal requirements have been made. The section on Requirements for the Importation of Bison and Cattle has been updated to incorporate needed changes on Trichomoniasis and Tuberculosis, and to further clarify requirements for Brucellosis, Tuberculosis, and Trichomoniasis (testing and vaccination). One section has been modified to introduce and explain requirements for an Extended Equine Certificate of Veterinary Inspection being utilized now in many states. The section on Swine import requirements has been modified to clarify testing requirements for certain diseases.

The amended rules will better protect the Wyoming livestock industry from incursion of diseases that have recently affected surrounding states such as bovine Tuberculosis and Trichomoniasis.

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