

IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

02.04.21 - RULES GOVERNING IMPORTATION OF ANIMALS DOCKET NO.

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES - NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Sections 67-5220(1) and 67-5220(2), Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Section 25-203, Idaho Code.

MEETING SCHEDULE: A public meeting on the negotiated rulemaking will be held as follows:

June 18, 2013 at 10:00 a.m. (MDT) – Idaho State Department of Agriculture, 2270 Old Penitentiary Road, Boise, ID 83712.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must do the following:

Interested members of the public who wish to participate must submit any written comments, questions, recommendations, or ideas to the Idaho State Department of Agriculture addressed to Dr. Scott Leibsle, Deputy Administrator, Division of Animal Industries. Individuals may also attend the public meeting to be conducted on the above date during which the Idaho State Department of Agriculture will allow oral comments or presentations to be made.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principle issues involved:

Amend Section 600. – To amend import requirements to establish consistency with the new Federal Herd Certification Program (HCP) for chronic wasting disease (CWD). The new rule will require compliance with the Federal HCP prior to domestic cervidae being imported into Idaho.

Amend Section 300.03-4. - To more specifically define equine infectious anemia (EIA) import testing requirements for horses destined for slaughter. The new rule will establish a time limit for imported horses to be destined to slaughter that have entered Idaho without a valid Coggins test. The current rule allows slaughter horse imports without a Coggins test, but does not specify when the animals must go to slaughter.

CONTACT INFORMATION, WEB ADDRESS, ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking or to obtain a copy of the preliminary draft of the text of the proposed rule, contact Dr. Scott Leibsle, Deputy Administrator – Division of Animal Industries at (208) 332-8540. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the ISDA web site (www.agri.idaho.gov).

All written comments must be delivered on or before July 15, 2013.

DATED this ___ day of May, 2013

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