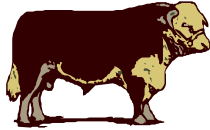




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New Trichomonosis Law
Beef Day

DATES TO REMEMBER

February 21.....Beef Day, Chico
March 31.....2004 Niche Meat Marketing Conference II, Davis

Bovine Trichomonosis Control Program

Trichomonosis is a venereal disease of cattle that has long been a costly problem for cattlemen. It is often abbreviated and called Trich (pronounced "trick"). The California Cattlemen's Association (CCA) and the Western United Dairymen jointly sponsored legislation for the development of programs to prevent and control cattle diseases such as trichomonosis. The legislation allows the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) to develop a Trichomonosis Program, in partnership with the livestock industry. The CCA drafted the California Bovine Trichomonosis Control Program and CDFA prepared regulations to support the program. The regulations became effective on September 21, 2003.

NEW TRICHOMONOSIS PROGRAM SUMMARY

- CDFA will investigate cases, quarantine infected cattle until slaughtered and notify owner(s) of potentially exposed cattle.
- Bulls entering California need a negative trichomonosis test within the past 30 days unless entering for: artificial insemination purposes; pasture-to-pasture grazing; exhibition (must not commingle with other cattle); or going directly to slaughter.
- Bulls sold within California are assumed to be infected with trichomonosis unless

accompanied by an **official** negative trichomonosis test done within 30 days prior to sale. Signs informing buyers of this information will be posted in all California auction yards.

- Veterinarians complete a training program for sampling and handling trichomonosis specimens before doing **official** testing.
- Positive samples require laboratory **confirmation** because false positive results can occur, particularly in young bulls raised in groups.
- Failure to comply with the provisions of this Article or Food and Agricultural Code constitutes a violation punishable by a fine up to five hundred dollars (\$500) for each violation.
- The bovine trichomonosis control program shall be reviewed for the effectiveness of its disease control requirements, and in the enforcement of this article on an annual basis by the Department's Cattle Health Advisory Committee.

A complete copy of the law can be obtained at the following web site

http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/pdfs/Trich_adopt_section%20820.pdf

Glenn Nader, UC Farm Advisor

Beef Day and Trade Show
Saturday – February 21, 2004
CSU, Chico – UC Cooperative Extension
CSU, Chico Young Cattlemen

- 8:00 - 9:00 Registration, Trade Show
- 9:00 - 9:15 Introductions – *Dr. Dave Daley*
Welcome - *Dr. Charles Crabb, Dean - College of Agriculture*
- 9:15 - 9:45 “The Current Status of BSE”
Dr. Gary Smith – Colorado State University
- 9:45 -10:30 “How Important are Exports to the U.S. Beef Industry?”
Gregg Doud – Economist, NCBA
- 10:30-10:45 Break – Coffee, Doughnuts and Trade Show
- 10:45-11:30 “National Animal Identification”
Gary Wilson – National Identification Steering Committee
- 11:30-12:15 “Concentration in the Meat and Livestock Industry”
Dr. Gary Smith, Colorado State University
- 12:15-12:30 CCA Update (BSE, Trich regulations and TB)
Dr. John Maas – Vice President, CCA and UCCE
- 12:30- 1:30 Tri-Tip BBQ and Trade Show, Young Cattlemen’s Auction
- 1:30- 2:00 Panel – Question and Answer Session
Dr. Gary Smith, Gregg Doud, Gary Wilson and Dr. John Maas
Moderator - Dr. Dave Daley
- Choose One Session or Visit the Trade Show
- 2:00 -3:00 Attributes of Grass Fed Beef
Dr. Cindy Daley, CSU, Chico
Round Table Discussion – *Glenn Nader, UCCE, Moderator*
- 2:00 -3:00 After 25 years, why don’t we understand EPD’s?
Dr. Dave Daley and Clay Carlson
- 3:00 -4:00 Sessions Repeated

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