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BOAH veterinarian Dr. Jennifer Strasser teaches animal control personnel in Northwest Indiana about handling animals in disasters, such as a traffic accident, tornado or flood.

Message from the State Veterinarian

STAYING UP-TO-DATE on animal health and food safety issues in Indiana just got easier. The Indiana State Board of Animal Health (BOAH) has expanded the options for receiving topic-specific information.

BOAH is pleased to offer a text message option to give subscribers another convenient way to stay connected and up-to-date. Text subscribers will receive a short message and a link accessible via smart phone to a webpage with the same content that is in the email version.



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BOAH is also offering an updated subscription list with species-specific and regulatory food program topics.

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On popular agency webpages, such as “career opportunities”, BOAH automatically notifies subscribers via email or text message each time the webpage is updated, if users opt-in for updates.

Those interested in receiving information from BOAH should visit: www.in.gov/boah to subscribe or update existing subscriptions.

Board Meeting

THE NEXT board meeting will be on Tuesday, Jan. 23. During this meeting board members will hear the first reading of a proposed rule to align state dairy regulations with federal rules.

Indiana Premises

ACTIVE PREMISES registered in Indiana as of Dec. 11, 2017, total: 63,742. Totals, by species: Avian: 10,339; Bovine: 27,646; Camelid: 554; Cervid: 458; Goats: 11,028; Sheep: 7,080; Equine: 9,807; Swine: 13,827.

Veterinary Updates

YAHOO AND FRONTIER email users: BOAH has learned these email system servers have been blocking outgoing emails from the in.gov server. State IT department recommends using an alternate email address for communicating with state agencies, and for Yahoo and Frontier users to report the problem to their provider.

SEVERAL STATES, including: Wisconsin, North Dakota, North Carolina, Missouri, Mississippi, and Oregon, have changed their entry requirements for CVIs for small animal species. Be sure to check with the state-of-destination before any movement for CVI forms accepted and details on requirements. A list of state veterinarian offices is available at: www.in.gov/boah/2336.htm.

ANIMALS IMPORTED into Colorado on the the mCVI app for Apple iOS and Android OS devices do NOT need an import permit.

INDIANA’S eCVI, a fillable PDF document, has been improved. Generating a valid certificate number is easier and more tests may be listed in the new version. To

obtain the update, contact: Theresa Shuck at: tshuck@boah.IN.gov.

RABIES RULE changes were adopted in 2017 to align with the most recent edition of the Compendium of Animal Rabies Control and Prevention. Rule changes are online at: www.in.gov/boah/2337.htm. The most significant change is the observation period for unvaccinated pets is shortened to 4 months.

Sheep & Goats

NEW SCRAPIE tag options are available online: www.in.gov/boah/2669.htm. USDA suspended funding for plastic tags and taggers on Oct. 1. Plastic tags may be ordered directly from a tag company at the producers' expense. Metal tags are free; order from BOAH.

Cattle

CANADA CHANGED brucellosis test requirements for breeding cattle imports. As of Sept. 1 breeding cattle must be tested with the Fluorescence Polarization Assay (FPA) test, the Buffered Acidified Plate Antigen (BAPA) test, or the Competitive ELISA (cELISA) test. The Standard Tube Test (STT) and Standard Plate Test (SPT) are no longer accepted by Canada at the border.

BOVINE TUBERCULOSIS (TB) surveillance testing in Southeast Indiana continues. Testing this fall focused on the core surveillance area, encompassing a 3-mile radius around the premises where bovine TB was identified in 2016. Herds in this area with cattle 2 years of age and older were tested/retested last fall. Hunter-harvest surveillance continues. Indiana's program will be reviewed by USDA in the first quarter of 2018.

Swine

BOAH OFFERS commuter herd agreements for interstate movement of swine in commercial production systems. This agreement streamlines regular movements. If interested, contact Dr. Kelli Werling at: kwerling@boah.in.gov or (317) 607-7071.

MICHIGAN-BOUND SWINE CVIs must include a statement about the risk (high or low) for pseudorabies and brucellosis. Michigan Department of Agriculture is reviewing CVIs and notifying BOAH of non-compliant paperwork. [Click here](#) or more details on the statement.

Cervid

SAMPLES SUBMITTED for chronic wasting disease (CWD) testing must be accompanied with the animal's official ID tag with ear tissue attached to the tag. The tag and ear tissue must be submitted in a separate, sealed plastic bag, labelled with the date, official ID, and

producer name. Do NOT place the tag and ear tissue in formalin. The ear tissue is necessary for DNA matching and sequencing if a sample tests positive.

COLORADO DROPPED the brucellosis import testing requirement for farmed cervids, effective Jan. 2.

Meat & Poultry Inspection

INDIANA'S COOPERATIVE Interstate Shipment (CIS) program continues to attract interest from state-inspected meat and poultry establishments. Four establishments were added in 2017. Currently Indiana has 10 processing facilities in the program. Participants may produce meat and poultry products with a federal mark of inspection, allowing sales across state lines for new business opportunities. More is available at: www.in.gov/boah/2332.htm.

VMRC/ASERT

INDIANA'S VMRC/ASERT (Veterinary Medical Response Corp/Animal Surveillance and Emergency Response Team) is seeking veterinarians and registered veterinary technicians to join the team. Members provide aid in animal disease events and natural disasters throughout the state. More information online at: www.in.gov/boah/2674.htm.

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