



Animal Health Notes

October 12, 2018

BOARD MEETING/RULES HEARING

The South Dakota Animal Industry Board will hold a Board Meeting on Thursday, November 1, 2018 in the Animal Industry Board conference room at 411 S. Fort Street, Pierre, SD. The meeting starts at 8:00 am CDT with a Rules Hearing at 8:30 am to consider the adoption and amendment of Administrative Rules 12:68. Please visit the State Boards and Commissions website for the meeting notice, agenda and proposed rules.

<https://boardsandcommissions.sd.gov/Meetings.aspx?BoardID=8>

RABBIT HEMORRHAGIC DISEASE

APHIS Detects Rabbit Hemorrhagic Disease Virus 2 (RHDV2) In a Domestic Ohio Rabbit.



APHIS Bulletin:

<https://content.govdelivery.com/accounts/USDAAPHIS/bulletins/2109b9f>

The Center for Food Security & Public Health
Factsheet:

http://www.cfsph.iastate.edu/Factsheets/pdfs/rabbit_hemorrhagic_disease.pdf

TB UPDATE

Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) was identified in a steer during routine slaughter inspection by USDA Food Safety Inspection Service inspectors at a South Dakota slaughter plant in June 2018. The steer was shipped from a finishing feedlot in northcentral SD. TB infected cattle herds in Harding and Tripp County in 2017 appear to be unrelated to this case.

Beef steers are not required to be officially identified, and therefore state and federal animal health investigators were unable to pin-point the exact premises of origin of the affected animal. Epidemiologic work completed to date has narrowed the probable sources to 99 source herds from which cattle entered the feedlot in September and October, 2017. These include cow/calf ranches and livestock dealers in SD, MT, ND, MN, and WY.

As state and federal animal health officials continue to investigate this finding, AIB staff will be contacting at least 49 potential source herds to characterize the risk in each herd and discuss possible testing, as appropriate. Producers are often directed to their local veterinarian as a trusted source of information. If you are contacted and have questions regarding bovine TB response in SD, please feel free to contact the SD AIB office and speak with a staff veterinarian. Additional information will be shared as available.