

## **ODA Cattle Health Advisory Board Meeting**

### **April 25, 2007**

#### **ODA Funding:**

ODA ADDL is in a significant budget crunch. The lab funding peaked in 2002 at \$4,971,548 and has fallen off to a proposed 2007 budget of \$4,015,452. Like all government agencies, with the reduction in funding the mandated programming has not gone down. Also, the federal money ODA ADDL receives for the Johne's program has fallen from a peak of \$910,346 in 2004 to \$212,972 proposed for 2007 and it may fall to zero. The committee chairman, Dean Putt, is forming a subcommittee to assemble an information packet to use while talking with our state and federal government representatives in an effort to increase funding to ODA ADDL. If you would like to serve on that subcommittee please contact Dean. Their first planned meeting is May 23 at ODA ADDL.

#### **Premise ID's:**

Gary Wilson reported they have received ~4000 more premise ID's since 1-1-07. They started with a list of all real estate listings with agriculture designations. Their goal is to have 25% of all premises registered by the end of 2007.

#### **Health certificates and the re-consignment block:**

Dr. Forshey discussed problems with the current re-consignment portion of our state health certificates. There is no place for a vet to sign so their may not be anyone taking responsibility that the animals meet the requirements to enter the next destination. Sometimes that can come back to haunt the person that wrote the health paper even though they had no knowledge of where the animal would be re-consigned to end up. Also, the new destination state may not receive a copy of the health paper in a timely manner or sometimes not at all. I believe that re-consignment block will be removed from the state health certificates. Dr. Forshey reminds us we can write CVI's electronically. Then the receiving state gets them immediately.

#### **Feral swine:**

Dr. Forshey reported there are many feral swine shipping across the US. Two new herds have shown up in Minnesota with pseudorabies that goes back to feral swine. He wants to get a firm handle on this problem before it affects Ohio's swine industry.

#### **ODA/State Patrol/Food Safety Service highway survey:**

State workers from these three groups recently set-up check points on two different busy interstates to check on animals and food products moving across our state. There were some problems identified with animals moving without health papers and food without proper cooling. Their goal was not regulation enforcement at this time but surveying the problems. Dr. Forshey reported he recently saw a demonstration of an animal ID system that could accurately read ear tags on a pot fully of animals going down the highway at highway speed.

#### **Johne's rules:**

The Ohio Johne's rules are going to be listed as policy rather than part of the state code. It will make necessary adjustments much easier and avoid the hang-ups in the legal department.

#### **Johne's recertification training:**

133 practitioners were recertified or certified for the first time in the three meetings in early 2007.

Cattle Health Advisory Meeting Notes  
January 19, 2011

Animal Traceability – Gary Wilson

Reported that attempts are being made to become electronic, with health certificates able to be scanned and filed electronically.

Dr. Sue Skorupski informed us of Mobile Information Management System (MIMS) which works off of a PDA. This technology may soon be linked to Agtraq.

USDA TB Update – Dr. Roger Krogwold

The original TB herd in NW Ohio was depopulated and that location is now being repopulated. This will require a whole herd test in 6 months and then again in one year.

In late December there was a PCR positive from a Michigan slaughter plant that traced to Ohio. However, this case turned out to be from IN that went through Ohio.

At this time Ohio status is still “free.”

Practitioners who are below the normal rate of reporting suspect TB’s will be contacted in the near future.

Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board – Dr. Tony Forshey

The species subcommittees should wrap up their conclusions/recommendations between March and May 2011.

By July 1, 2011, they should be through JCAR.

Johnes Program Standards – Dr. Ned Cunningham

Much debate on whether Ohio should adopt the National Standards for the Test Negative Status Herd Program.

Some of the questions are centered around acceptance of a fecal PCR test and milk ELISA’s.

The National Standards don’t require whole herd testing, and they allow for “management levels” for farms that have positive animals, but are still making progress.

The next meeting is July 13, 2011 at 10:00 am in Reynoldsburg.

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Cattle Health Advisory Meeting  
July 13, 2011

TB Update – Dr. Krogwold

Attempts to trace two positive TBs from a Eaton market led to various southwest Ohio farms, but farm of origin could not be determined. Another site in Ohio that previously had TB positive animals and depopulated, has been repopulated, and will need to do a whole herd test in August 2011 since it did not sit idle for a year.

Ohio Livestock Care Standards Board – Dr. Tony Forshey

The Beef and Dairy standards have “passed” and they plan to have five Regional meetings around the state, or possibly webinars, to inform the public. The standards can be viewed on ODA’s website: [www.agri.ohio.gov](http://www.agri.ohio.gov).

Johne Update– Dr. Cunningham

The board voted to keep Ohio’s Johnes Test Negative Status Program standards in place rather than adopt the National Program’s standards. A survey that was sent to status herds in Ohio did not reveal a desire to change the standards.

The board voted to extend the certification of veterinarians for Johnes risk assessments to five years before recertification is needed.

Brucellosis Slaughter Surveillance – Dr. Skorupski

Only around 14 plants nationwide will continue to collect Brucella samples at slaughter.

ODA will discontinue running slaughter surveillance samples.

Trichomoniasis – Dr. Shulaw

Wondered if we need to start thinking about Trichomoniasis standards for import cattle to Ohio.

The next meeting is scheduled for Oct. 12, 2011 at 10:00 am at ODA.

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## ODA Cattle Health Advisory Meeting October 12, 2011

Dr. Mark Ulrich's wife Carolyn wrote Dr. Forshey that Mark had a brain bleed 8-11-11. He had surgery and is making a slow recovery with therapy. Mark has served on the committee for many years.

Dr. Sue Skorupski reported on animal disease traceability. There are some significant changes in the proposal stage right now. The comment period lasts until Dec. 9, 2011. The rule changes can be reviewed on USDA's website. There are a couple of different versions there. She coached that we want to look at the shorter version and read the preamble. One change that stands out is the requirement that the acceptable forms of official ID on a CVI are: official tag (metal USDA tag), or an 840 tag. We cannot use registration numbers or tattoos unless specially accepted by the receiving State's Vet or tribal official. The website is: <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/traceability/>

Producers can buy bright metal USDA tags in some states, not in Ohio. They can buy RFID tags and 840 tags if they have a premise ID.

She also reminded us to always use a CVI and always send them into ODA.

Dr. Forshey report the national group of state vets is working toward a uniform CVI form so all states would use the same one instead of each state having their own.

I'll switch to first person now. I (Fred Bennett) gave a presentation about local reactions to Johne's vax in one of our herds and their clinical experience after five years of vaccination. We give our official summer externs from OSUCVM a project while they are with us. Our extern, Caitlin Wiley (my partner Doug's daughter), examined and graded the lactating cows reactions. They milk 400 Jerseys. Her results: 21% no reaction, 16% walnut, 27% fist, 24% softball, 9% brick, and 2% two bricks+. The reason they started vaccinating was the rapid increase in test positive cows and clinical cows. Back in the day when we were testing lots of cows we had lots of information. Their test positive incidence were: 2003 6% fecal culture, 2004 5% Biocor ELISA, 2005 25% fecal culture, 2006 32% fecal culture. At that time their number one cause of culling was Johne's. After five years of vaccinating they have not had any clinical cases in vaccinated individuals. The few non-vaccinates still lose a few to clinical Johne's. The most impressive thing to me in getting this ready was the owner telling me he thinks he would be broke if he had not started vaccinating.

Dr. Forshey reported the Animal Care Standards are signed into law. His next expected fight is 1/1/2018 when tail docking is banned.

Dr. Cunningham reported on the National Johne's Program. Funding for Johne's and Chronic Wasting is going to zero. Five states are currently getting some funding for Johne's research. Use of milk ELISA is increasing but the results are not reported to the state vets unless the test is done in a state lab. We can look online to see which labs pass the check test for Johne's diagnostic testing. There are two new Johne's vaccine trials ongoing that Dr. Shulaw is aware of. Most of us will need to recertify as Johne's program veterinarians. They are investigating ways of getting that done online or as conference call so we don't all have to travel. More info to follow.

The next meeting is March 14, 2012

Cattle Health Advisory Meeting  
October 17, 2012

Trichomoniasis – Dr. Forshey

Reported that he feels it has become necessary to implement Trichomonas testing for bulls being imported into Ohio. Ohio Cattleman's Association (OCA) is in support of this decision. Questions revolve around a pre-entry or post-entry requirement, age of bulls, is one or more tests necessary, etc. Currently the culture test is the standard, though some work has been done on PCR testing.

Dr. Don Monke presented on proper sample collection technique. He is going to put something together and communicate with the committee.

Johne's– Dr. Cunningham

The National Johnes Program is officially dead. As of Sept. 30, 2012 there is no more money available and not promise of any more coming in the future. In light of this, the committee moved to extend the Johnes certification for five more years with no recertification meeting for the next five years. If individual veterinarians wish to become certified to do Risk Assessment/Management Plans (RAMPs) for vaccinating herds or Status Negative herds contact Dr. Cunningham at ODA.

Brucellosis– Dr. Krogwald

Reported this fall there will only be 8 slaughter plants nationwide that will be doing Brucellosis screening. (None in OH). This will drop the total annual tests from 6 million samples down to 1.2 million samples.

Bluetongue- Dr. Krogwald

In the past two years a large amount of dairy springing heifers have been shipped to OH as a collection point before movement overseas. Apparently some are tested for bluetongue after arrival into Ohio and there have been some seropositive (not virus isolation positive). Currently they will be removed from Ohio to a feedlot. We have been advised to consider the risk of bringing these animals in.

Our next meeting is Feb. 6, 2012.

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Cattle Health Advisory Meeting  
June 12, 2013

Johnes Program Update– Dr. Cunningham

Johnes Program is “essentially out of business.” Wonders if contacting milk co-ops would help with Johnes Program?

TB Update – Dr. Krogwold

- There is a new IDEXX Antibody blood test for Bovine, only approved for infected herds
- Michigan has a positive herd in Saginaw County. Some of these animals ended up in Ohio where 22 were suspect on caudal fold but all negative on CCT
- California had a positive herd which caused 75,000 animals to be tested in three weeks. Some teams from Ohio helped.

Animal Disease Traceability – Dr. Skorupski/Dr. Forshey

- Fact sheets on USDA website
- Only applies if you cross state lines
- Approved animal ID:
  - USDA Metal Tags
  - 840 Tags
  - location based tags (i.e. scrapie tags)
  - any other approved by administrator
- Individuals can now get USDA metal tags, but we as veterinarians need to keep track of which number sequences are dispensed to which farms
- Back tags are no longer official ID unless going direct to slaughter

Trichomoniasis – Dr. Forshey

- Reportable disease in Ohio
- Will have import requirements for Ohio finalized by this fall

The next meeting date is September 25, 2013 at 10:00am Reynoldsburg.

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Cattle Health Advisory Meeting  
October 29, 2014

Dr. Forshey: Much discussion was about the proposed changes to Ohio's Import Requirements for cattle, specifically the new Trichomoniasis requirements. In a brief summary, bulls 24 months or older, and non-virgin bulls less than 24 months of age imported into Ohio will be required to have a negative PCR test for Trichomonas. The test must be within 30 days of arrival. Bulls less than 24 months that have not had contact with females and bulls going directly to slaughter are exempt from this rule.

Elisabeth Harsh: Informed us of the new Ohio State Fair rule pertaining to market beef animals. Beginning with the 2015 fair, all market beef animals entered in the Junior Fair Market Beef show will be required to have an EID ear tag with a unique 15 digit number. A hair sample from the animal will need to be sent to the state fair by January 15, 2015 which will then be cross checked with a sample collected at the fair.

The Revised Cattle Import Regulations and the press release for the Ohio State Fair Market Beef requirements were distributed to Ohio Dairy Vets group by Greg Edwards on Oct 10 and Oct 27 respectively if you wish to see the un-condensed versions.

The next Cattle Health Advisory Meeting will be March 4, 2015 at 10:00 am at ODA in Reynoldsburg.

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## ODA Cattle Health Advisory Committee meeting 3-4-15

At the very beginning of the meeting Mr. Dave Myron, an attorney for ODA, let us know what we could no longer meet as we have been for decades. It came down to non-statutorily created boards cannot meet in a formal manner, they can only be called as needed by non-government people and the government folks are invited to attend. The alternative would have been to have the board approved by the state government, members appointed to terms by the Governor, official minutes kept by a government employee, full meeting announcements, and open to the public meetings. In the end we will continue to meet largely as we have about every six months but it will be called by "lay" members, we will invite our government colleagues, and keep our own notes.

Dr. Krogwold informed us we will now need to order tuberculin directly from NVSL in Ames Iowa. He passed out forms and ODA should be sending everyone forms. The form asks us to predict how many TB tests we will run in the next three months (it actually asks how many we have scheduled). They understand that is unrealistic so use your judgment to fudge the numbers. They do ask how much we have currently in inventory. Their goal is to better predict future demand because it takes some time to produce the tuberculin. ODA told us they received their order in two days.

It was news to everyone in the room that the new import rules for cattle and bison coming into Ohio are in place and have been active since 12-18-14. They include new requirements for Trich testing of bulls with some exceptions. The Trich rules are on the bottom of the second page of Import requirements for breeding cattle and bison. (A)(4) There is also a new rule in which an owner/shipper statement could be used instead of a CVI, for cattle moved between different locations of the same operation, across state lines, coming into Ohio (B)(2)(b). It is near the top of the third page if you print it out.

Import requirements for breeding cattle and bison:

<http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/901:1-17-03>

Cattle and bison imported for feeding and grazing:

<http://codes.ohio.gov/oac/901:1-17-04>

The ODA ADDL will be having its American Association of **Veterinary** Laboratory Diagnosticians (**AAVLD**) audit in the September.

The next meeting will be called by lay people Wednesday November 4, 2015.

Fred Bennett, DVM 3-4-15