

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK
ANIMAL HEALTH DIVISION
OFFICIAL ORDER NO. 13-01-I**

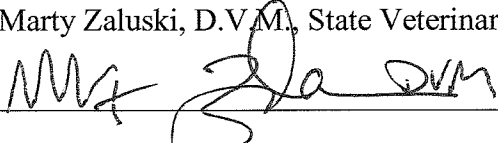
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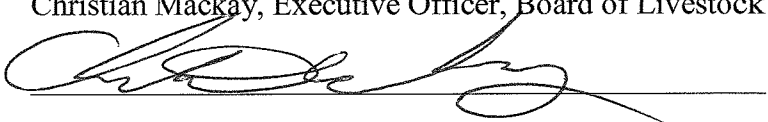
DATE EFFECTIVE: March 28, 2013

DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL: March 18, 2013

SUBJECT: Use of CervidTB Stat Pak and Dual Path Platform for captive cervid TB testing (elk, red deer, white tailed deer, fallow deer and reindeer).

STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION: Administrative Code Annotated: 81-2-102,
Administrative Rules of Montana: 32.3.212, 32.3.212(c), 32.3.501

ORDERED BY: Marty Zaluski, D.V.M., State Veterinarian


REVIEWED BY: Christian Mackay, Executive Officer, Board of Livestock


BACKGROUND

ARM 32.3.221 MANDATES THE USE OF SKIN TESTS FOR TB TESTING OF IMPORTED CERVIDS. USDA-APHIS-VS RECENTLY APPROVED A SEROLOGICAL TEST FOR TUBERCULOSIS TESTING ELK, RED DEER, WHITE TAILED DEER, FALLOW DEER AND REINDEER. THIS ORDER ALLOWS THE USE OF THE NEWLY APPROVED BLOOD TEST FOR IMPORTED CERVIDS.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE SET FORTH ABOVE, UNTIL MARCH 15 31, 2014 OR AMENDED BY STATUTE, RULE, OR OFFICIAL ORDER, CAPTIVE CERVIDS MAY BE TESTED FOR TUBERCULOSIS (TB) USING THE STAT-PAK AND DPP SEROLOGICAL TESTS PER VS GUIDANCE # 6701.1 DATED 11/26/2012, AS WELL AS CERVICAL TESTS AS REQUIRED BY ARM 32.3.221 (2) THROUGH (5).

1. All other requirements listed in ARM 32.3.221, 32.4.601 and 602 must be met for importation, including individual identification, Brucellosis and TB testing of age eligible animals.