Montana Department of Livestock Board Room #319/301 N Roberts/Helena, MT
March 18, 2022
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8:00 AM CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTIONS

8:10 AM BOARD ADMINISTRATIVE ITEMS
Approval of Past Meeting Minutes
• January 26, 2022 BOL Meeting

8:10 AM OLD BUSINESS
Update on Governor’s OGSM Strategic Management in Relationship to BOL and Executive Officer Strategic Goals

8:40 AM NEW BUSINESS (Recess for Breaks Where Needed)
Discussion on Request for CAN Brand Identification Exemption for Canadian Origin Cattle Being Shipped Direct to Slaughter (ARM 32.3.2001)

Red Tape Relief Project
• Review High and Medium Priority from January 2022 BOL Meeting including report back from conversations of Montana Association of Counties Ag Committee meeting
  MCA Title 81, Chapter 6 – Livestock Protective Associations
  MCA Title 81, Chapter 7 – Predatory Animal Control and ARM 32.22 – Vertebrate Pest Control
  MCA Title 81, Chapter 10 – Horse Owner Amnesty
  MCA Title 81, Chapter 29 – Resource and Property Protection (Feral Swine)
  MCA Title 81, Chapter 30 - Protection of Farm Animals and Research Facilities
• Discuss and Determine High and/or Medium Priority Items from MCA
  Title 81, Chapter 2 - Disease Control and ARM 32.3, Disease Control

EXECUTIVE OFFICER UPDATES AND DISCUSSIONS
• Update on Yellowstone National Park Bison EIS and Discussion of
  Status of Yellowstone Bison Population and Department Activities
• Executive Planning Process Update – Deadline and Instructions for
  Proposed Agency Legislation
• Updated Process from Governor on Publishing and Adopting
  Administrative Rule Changes
• Executive Planning Process
• Montana Bond Book Follow Ups
• Succession Planning
• Milk Control Staffing
• Biennial Financial Audit from Legislative Audit Division
• Department Salary Analysis, Process Requirements for Salary
  Adjustments, Snapshot

12:00 PM  LUNCH

12:30 PM  PREDATOR CONTROL
Update on Activities of USDA Wildlife Services (Presented by Dalin
  Tidwell, Montana State Director)
• Update on Status of Helicopter Purchase from USDA
• General Updates

LLB Predation Claims Report (2021 Totals)

1:00 PM  BRANDS ENFORCEMENT DIVISION
Mahlen Appeal on Brand Application Rejection
• BOL Review and Decision on Mahlen Appeal of Brand Application
  Rejection

Report on Attending Western States Livestock Rural Enforcement
  Association
• Report to BOL on Takeaways from Conference
1:45 PM  **ANIMAL HEALTH & FOOD SAFETY DIVISION REPORTS**

1:45 PM  **Animal Health Bureau**
- Bovine Tuberculosis (TB) Update
- Brucellosis Update
- Electronic CVI Policy
- Out-of-Country Travel Request - PNWER
- Out-of-State Travel Request - NASAEPP
- Request to Hire Animal Health Program Veterinarian
- Request to Hire Contract Veterinarian for NADPREP Grant
- Request to Fund Media Training
- Request to Fund Saletime Traceability Module at MT Livestock Markets

3:15 PM  **Milk and Egg Bureau**
- General Updates

3:30 PM  **RECESS**

3:45 PM  **Meat & Poultry Inspection Bureau**
- Hiring Update
- Cooperative Interstate Shipment Program
- Discuss Current and Anticipated Vacancies and Impact on Animal Health & Food Safety Division
- Request to Hire for Bureau Chief, ME Staffing
- Communication Needed on Establishment Hours of Operation and Service Times

4:15 PM  **Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory**
- Out-of-State Travel Request
  --NPIP Biennial Conference
- MVDL Operational Update

4:30 PM  **CENTRALIZED SERVICES DIVISION REPORTS**

4:30 PM  **Information Technology Services**
- ITS Update

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4:45 PM  Fiscal Bureau
   • Aerial Hunting
   • 2025 Biennium Budget Timeline Highlights
   • Per Capita Fee Collections Update
   • February 28, 2022 State Special Revenue Report
   • March 2022 Through June 2022 Expenditure Projections
   • February 28, 2022 Budget Status Report

5:45 PM  COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS/COMMENTS FROM PRODUCER ORGANIZATIONS

6:00 PM  SET DATE FOR NEXT BOARD MEETING

6:15 PM  ADJOURN