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Action Items from July 19, 2017, Board Meeting

- A copy of the VCRT Health Strategies WG report on sheep drug priorities was circulated to the Board.
- A CSIP WG conference call has been scheduled for August 14th, to discuss Kurl Lock tag revocation and paired Shearwell tag colours.
- Past comments on AI program revisions were circulated to the Board, and comments on the current consultation remitted.
- National sheep industry meeting logistics have been confirmed with AAFC.
- The Audit & Finance Committee has drafted a 2017-18 CSF Budget for the Board's consideration during the August meeting.

CSIP / Traceability

- The CFIA has reminded industry that the Animal Indicator Approval and Revocation Framework is up for review in early October, 2017. Industry groups interested in seeing changes made to the framework should prepare requests ahead of the October meeting.
- Eric Aubin from the CFIA will make a recommendation to revoke sheep tag OVI-07-01 (pink Kurl Lock tag) as part of the October review of the Animal Indicator Approval and Revocation Framework. The CSF Board of Directors has discussed the recommendation and will seek CSIP WG feedback ahead of the meeting, in preparation for its own recommendation about the tag.
- The Regulatory Implementation Committee (RIC) met in July, having established a monthly meeting schedule. The July meeting focused on the PID media blitz. Although acquiring a PID will not be federally regulated, it will be a requirement (by regulation)



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for all stakeholders reporting to a traceability database to have a PID. With that, the CFIA is promoting PIDs for all stakeholders. As of February, 2017, PID update for sheep premises was:

- Alberta, Quebec, PEI: 100%
- BC: 18%
- SK: 21%
- MB: 70%
- ON: 45%
- NB: 36%
- NS: 29%
- N.-L: 1%
- YK: 30%

Canadian Verified Sheep Program (Kristy House)

Scrapie Eradication Strategic Plan (Claire Knubley)

- 2017 Grasslands Sheep Exhibition
 - Humboldt, SK
 - July 21st – July 23rd, 2017
 - Participated as a tradeshow exhibitor representing the Canadian Sheep Federation
 - Promoted programs and services offered to all Canadian sheep producers by the CSF
 - Engaged with interested producers about the VSFCP, answered questions, and made arrangements for continued communication with those interested
- Communications Strategy
 - Meetings with communications adviser to develop communications strategy targeting producers and veterinarians
 - To engage and inform
 - Combination of articles, interviews, and ad space
- Scrapie Canada Website
 - Continuation of first phase of Scrapie Canada website redesign and development
 - Finalized logo design



Sheep Value Chain Round Table

Sustainability Committee

- Details with respect to the national sheep industry meeting have been confirmed by AAFC. The meeting will take place September 6th and 7th at the Holiday Inn Toronto International Airport. Individual organizations have been invited by AAFC to participate in the meeting by selecting 2 representatives. The meeting will be moderated by Laura Edgar from the Institute on Governance, with AAFC paying for the meeting itself. CCWG has offered to cover airfare for up to 10 meeting participants, with participants otherwise being responsible for travel expenses.

Other Updates

- The CSF and CSBA partnered in hosting a delegation from Mexico as they visited this year's All Canada Classic. Three delegates from Mexico participated in the meeting:
 - **Mr. Fernando Fernández**, Director for Strategic Projects from the State of Nuevo Leon's Ministry of Agriculture & Livestock.
 - Mr. Mario Esqueda, El Tejaban Farm, Katahdin breeder from Mexico's northern state of Chihuahua.
 - Mr. Diego López, Business Development Manager at ComNor Sigma Food Service.

The meeting itinerary included:

- Thursday, June 29, 2017:
 - Tour of Medicine Ridge Ovine, New Norway, AB
 - Tour of Polson Farm, Tees, AB
 - Tour of All Canada Sheep Classic
 - Meeting with GenOvis and Canadian Sheep Breeders' Association and Alberta Sheep Breeders' Association
 - Welcome Reception for all exhibitors in trade show area
- Friday, June 30, 2017:
 - Tour of Sungold, Innisfail, AB
 - All Canada Sheep Classic Show
 - Meeting with Canadian Cooperative Wool Growers at Fleece Competition
 - Meeting with Canadian Sheep Federation at the GenOvis booth in Trade Show
 - Meeting with OC Flock at GenOvis booth in Trade Show
 - Meeting with the Canadian Katahdin Sheep Association at GenOvis booth in Trade Show



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- The ED met with the NAFTA negotiation team and Market Access Secretariat to discuss key trade issues with the U.S.
 - COOL: In order for the issue to once again become a priority for the MAS team, it needs to be added back to the work plan. In addition to adding it to the work plan, a survey needs to be completed that prioritizes the issue within and across sectors. A submission to the NAFTA consultations regarding COOL and its link to NAFTA is very important to making sure COOL becomes part of that trade discussion.
 - APHIS scrapie rule: The MAS team recognizes that the APHIS rule met with approval on both the U.S. and Canadian sides of the border. They also agreed that the rule has likely been de-prioritized as NAFTA renegotiations have become a key priority for agricultural trade. There is no indication from US counterparts when the rule may be ratified.
 - Cross-Transit: The MAS team understands that the only existing cross-transit solution lies in the new APHIS rule, and will look at other temporary solutions to the issue (although CFIA has struggled with this idea in the past). The group discussed, and will look further into, cross-transit permits and draw on the precedent set both by the pork/beef sector and transport permits for sheep moving into zoos.
- The CSF ratified a contract with the Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture to take over administration of the CWD VHCP for Saskatchewan cervid producers. Likewise, the CSF has drafted an agreement for MAPAQ to assume administration of the program in Quebec.

This month's meetings

- NAFTA Trade negotiation team
- Market Access Secretariat
- CFIA-MAS Listserv webinar
- CFIA – MyCFIA Webinar
- Regulatory Implementation Committee
- AAFC – Post-NPAC