



Wyoming Livestock Board

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Memorandum

To: Swine Exhibition Organizers, Managers & Exhibitors

From: Dr. Jim Logan, State Veterinarian

Date: February 9, 2015

Subject: **UPDATE** Exhibition Swine & Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea virus (PEDv)
Due to new strains being found, PEDv is now referred to as Swine Enteric Coronavirus Disease (SECD).

Swine exhibition event (sales, jackpots, weigh-ins, and fairs) managers and swine exhibitors are encouraged to help prevent the introduction and spread of the very contagious Swine Enteric Coronavirus Disease (SECD) which has proven to be extremely damaging to the swine industry nationwide.

The virus has spread to nearly 30 states since first being identified in the United States in April of 2013, and it has caused the death of millions of pigs in numerous herds across the country. The disease does not affect humans or other species of livestock. It does affect, primarily, suckling piglets and young pigs, and can remain in a swine operation in carrier pigs. SECD is very lethal in swine production units and producers raising piglets can be hard hit if this virus is introduced into their herd. The disease can spread from pig to pig, but can also be spread mechanically by transmission from manure, feed, tack, trucks, boots and clothing, etc., that are contaminated with the virus.

Wyoming Livestock Board (WLSB) staff veterinarians will provide biosecurity recommendations to fair/exhibition managers and exhibitors to attempt to minimize the risk of introduction/spread of the SECD in exhibition swine.

The Wyoming Livestock Board (WLSB) veterinary staff, in cooperation with the national swine industry, is recommending some measures that can help us to prevent and mitigate the risks of SECD being spread to swine in Wyoming.

WLSB Recommendations:

1. All Wyoming swine exhibition events should require an affidavit (template attached) from exhibitors stating that the swine have not in the past 60 days been exposed to or been diagnosed with SECD. Event managers should collect such affidavits along with

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any other documents the event requires and keep them on file for at least 6 months to be reviewed by WLSB veterinary staff upon request.

2. Swine should not be exhibited at any Wyoming event unless they are “minimal risk” (have resided in Wyoming for a minimum of 30 days prior to the WY event/show with no signs of SECD evident in these swine or swine on the premise during that time unless the swine with such signs are cleared by a veterinarian as non-SECD).
3. If swine are taken to a Wyoming event that has in attendance any swine that are not “minimal risk”, then these swine must remain in Wyoming for 30 days prior to attending another Wyoming event/show with no signs of SECD evident in these swine or swine on the premise during that time unless the swine with such signs are cleared by a veterinarian as non-SECD.
4. Those individuals who own breeding swine should be made aware that if the virus (SECD) is present at a show/event, the likelihood of swine bringing the virus back home and transmitting it to their breeding stock is extremely high. Additionally, the potential for people to bring the virus home on clothing or boots and transmit it to their breeding stock exists.

Please consider implementing the above **recommendations** for your swine events during this upcoming show season and until further notice. The implementation of the recommendations will help minimize the risks of SECD to Wyoming swine owners. If the recommendations are not used by exhibition/event managers, the likelihood of SECD spreading through Wyoming swine operations will increase substantially.

As a reminder, it is a state of Wyoming and a federal (USDA-APHIS) rule that all swine entering the state must be officially identified, must have a certificate of veterinary health inspection and a WLSB entry permit before coming into Wyoming. Compliance with these rules is mandatory for all importers of swine, and violations will be addressed. WLSB import requirements can be found on the WLSB website at <http://soswy.state.wy.us/Rules/RULES/8634.pdf>.

We appreciate your cooperation in helping to maintain a good health status for all of Wyoming's livestock.

Thank you,

Dr. Jim Logan
Wyoming State Veterinarian

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Swine Exhibition Declaration

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

Email:

Driver's Lic (State & #):

Vehicle Lic Plate (State & #):

Animal ID & Swine Information:

ID:	Producer Name:	Born In State Y/N	Ever In Other State Which?	Last Event & When

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	Declarations
		All swine brought by me, entered by me, or under my care to/at this event are properly identified and accurately listed above? (i.e. State fair tag, swine USDA metal tag or registration ear notch / flank tattoo)
		In the 60 days prior to this event, none of the swine listed above have been exposed to or diagnosed with SECD.
		In the 30 days prior to this event, none of the swine listed above have shown any clinical signs of SECD (diarrhea, fever, depression, off feed) or been exposed to any swine with clinical signs unless the swine showing signs were examined by a veterinarian and cleared as non-SECD.
		In the 30 days prior to this event, none of the swine listed above have been on any premise known to have SECD in the past year unless cleared by the state vet.
		The above listed swine have not been in attendance at any event in the past 30 days outside this state that does not minimize risk of SECD in swine through requiring the signing and submission of a declaration that meets or exceeds the standards of this declaration.

_____ Date

_____ Signature