

Traceability in the United States

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Traceability is Vital

- Traceability is vital for:
 - ◆ Animal disease response
 - ◆ Disease surveillance programs
 - ◆ Trade negotiations



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Globalization of Agriculture

- ❑ More unified global trade environment
- ❑ Trading partners rely on each other for disease information
- ❑ UK FMD incident highlights globalization
- ❑ High levels of traceability provide information needed for trade negotiations



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North American Collaboration

- ❑ North American Animal Health Committee participation
- ❑ Descriptive report on status of animal and premises ID programs in North America
- ❑ Gap analysis
- ❑ Develop more comprehensive plan



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Role of VS

□ The mission of VS is two-fold:

- ◆ Prevent, control, and eliminate animal diseases; and
- ◆ Monitor and promote animal health



□ These activities are vital to the health of U.S. animals and to the safety of the U.S. food supply.



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VS' Disease Programs

- Aquaculture
- LPAI
- Pseudorabies
- Scrapie
- CWD
- BSE
- Brucellosis
- TB
- Johne's Disease



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Management of Animal Diseases

- ❑ Prevention is the priority.
- ❑ Early detection is key.
- ❑ Rapid response is vital.



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Traceability in U.S. Programs

❑ Scrapie Program

- ◆ FY03-FY06 – 80 percent traced back to flock of origin



- ## ❑ Significant opportunities exist to advance tracing capabilities across national infrastructure as a whole



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National Animal Identification System

Objective: Establish a nationally uniform identification system to support animal disease programs.

- ❑ Animal health is the focus.
- ❑ Achieve the most timely response possible.



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NAIS and Existing Programs

Essential strategies:

- ❑ Taking advantage of existing systems
- ❑ Increasing participation beyond disease programs
- ❑ Integrating NAIS data standards



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Advancing Animal Disease Traceability

Harmonization of State, Federal, and Industry Programs and Convergence with the National Animal Identification System (NAIS)
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Business Plan Overview

Some key strategies:

❑ Prioritization of Species

- ◆ Cattle breeding herd

❑ Integration of data standards

◆ Standardized PIN for:

- All disease programs
- Interstate Certificate of Veterinary Inspection
- Import/Export permits

❑ Utilization of advanced ID technology



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