



Animal Industry Division September 2, 2015
Board Update

Livestock:

- Continuing to equip and train brand inspectors on iPads in the online brand inspection process, 38 inspectors have been trained to use the IPAD system so far with more to come
- We are on the tail end of animal ID division audit and many of the findings have been helpful and we look forward to implementing those changes in the coming months
- The sale barns have been notified of the changes to their bonding requirements and have come into compliance with NRS
- Incidents with VRE horses have been minimal this summer

Animal Disease:

- Working with stakeholders in Elko area regarding a potential cooperative-use agreement for the animal laboratory
- The animal disease laboratory and wildlife services division are developing a plan to test pests and rodents for potential zoonotic diseases (transferable to humans) and therefore provide another level of security to the overall state population from potential disease threats
- West Nile testing has been heavy this year, no known equine or human cases thus far

Wildlife Services:

- We worked with the PARC to create an application and application process for the two newly required members as per statute.
- PARC is recommending that the board file a letter of support for Robert Little to license Zinc Phosphide Concentrate (EPA Registration # 56228-6) for the control of ground squirrels in Alfalfa, Grass Hay or other right of way applications