

Board of Agriculture, December 7, 2016 Meeting

Consumer Equitability Update



Weights & Measures

- Tested over 15000 of the States 40,000 devices or 37 percent of the total devices within the state
- We have been working with Smith stores throughout Nevada on tare violations in their deli section. Rechecks show all tare violations have been rectified.
- Recently started investigating increasing our scope to include wheel loader weights and tuning forks used by law enforcement. We are currently surveying law enforcement in Nevada and surrounding states as to the need for calibration and adjustment of the scales and tuning forks.

Metrology

- Southern Nevada Metrologist has completed Mass Seminar. We will now start the Lab Accreditation Process. The labs accreditation is directly tied to the Metrologist. To prevent a single source of failure at a minimum one of the northern Nevada Metrologist's will be accredited in Southern Nevada. In the event we lose a Metrologist in either lab we will **NOT** lose our accreditation.
- Will be putting in a new environmental monitoring system in the Sparks metrology lab. This will allow us to start calibrating echelon II weights. The old system was antiquated and is no longer supported by industry. We are doing this in conjunction with the chemistry in the food safety lab software upgrade of the same system. Overall affect will be reduced cost to food safety, chemistry, and Metrology in maintenance and operation of their environment control systems.