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NFAHW Council – update to stakeholders Forum 2015

NATIONAL FARMED ANIMAL HEALTH AND WELFARE COUNCIL

Vision

"Canada values and supports the health, care and welfare of the farmed animal population and its contribution to the wellbeing people, the environment and the Canadian economy."

Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020 (2014)



Collaborative Approach

Federal Government CFIA, AAFC, PHAC Provincial-Territorial Government

Through CCVO and CCMOH

Industry – Non-Government

Facilitated by CAHC

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Council Members

- Dr. Debbie Barr
- Dr. Megan Bergman
- Gary Bowers (since Sept 2015)
- Marc Cormier
- Scott Dingwell
- Dr. Greg Douglas
- Dr. Jim Fairles
- Dr. David Fraser
- Pierre Lampron (until Sept 2015)

- Jennifer MacTavish
- Rob McNabb
- Dr. Jane Pritchard
- John Ross
- Dr. Richard Rusk
- Steven Sternthal
- Dr. Harpreet Kochhar Ex-Officio

November 2015



Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

Strategic outcomes

- Safe food products are accessible to Canadians
- Canada protects the health of farmed animals, people and the ecosystem (One Health)
- The Canadian farmed animal industry is profitable and sustainable
- Canada protects the welfare of farmed animals
- The Canadian farmed animal health and welfare system is trusted world wide
- The Canadian farmed animal health and welfare system is coordinated and constantly improved.



Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

Provides strategic direction and priorities for stakeholders to 2020

Priorities

- Emergency Management
- Social Licence
- Leadership development



Work Plan 2015-16

Council member identified issues





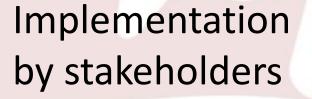
Change mechanisms

- Sharing information in Council discussion affects individual actions
- Advice to Reg ADMs and stakeholders identifying lead roles where possible
- A cascading initiative at Council from advice
- Facilitator or catalyst for change



Implementation

Recommendations on Key Issues



Progress on strategic outcomes and priorities of Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020



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	AMU/AMR
	Emerging Issues Market Access
	Emerging Issues
-	Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020
	Transportation of cull dairy cows
	Finance, Communications
	and Management Committees

2015-16 Working Groups and Committees

> Working groups invite external participation to expand expertise as required



AMU/AMR

Federal AMR Framework identifies three pillars – Surveillance, Stewardship and Innovation Council focus – Stewardship

(Without ignoring Surveillance and Innovation)

Outcome

Positioning of the role of animal agriculture stakeholders in antimicrobial stewardship. Report anticipated 2016



Emerging Issues – Market Access

- Domestic market access issues identified during the Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea outbreak being used as a case study to develop recommendations
- Also includes issues with access to farm services
- Report anticipated in 2016



Emerging Issues

Assessment of proposed CFIA decision tool to determine CFIA role in animal disease

- The CFIA tool is designed to help inform the CFIA and the CVO role in a disease situation
- Council assessment invited to determine influence on disease response by other stakeholders – provincial territorial government and industry
- Objective is a collaborative approach to disease management.
- The tool may also be useful in teaching at universities and colleges.
- Report anticipated in 2016



Transportation of Cull Dairy Cows

Outcomes

- A description of the extent and nature of transport of cull dairy cows from Canadian farms
- Develop an understanding of the welfare problems associated with cull dairy cows
- Develop a draft statement of best practices

Facilitated through UBC as part of a PhD program – Dr. David Fraser lead

Expert group being established



Measuring Progress

A National Farm Animal Welfare System for Canada (2012)

- Survey to assess implementation 2015 Dr. Jeffrey Spooner
- 22 of 24 identified stakeholders participated
- 22 recommendations
 - 8 completed or progressing to completion
 - 6 in progress completion uncertain
 - 2 not progressing or rejected
 - 6 progress unknown

Progress on recommendations = progress on the strategic outcomes and priorities



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- Strategy implemented in 2015
- Current focus development of stakeholder reporting of activities impacting progress on strategic outcomes and priorities
- Long term objective annual report including stakeholder activities and disease data – demonstration of progress
- Survey techniques and process being assessed



Website

The Council seeks to be transparent

- Annual report moving to online report limited hard copy versions
- Audited Financial reports
- All advisory statements
- Meeting schedule
- Contact information

www.ahwcouncil.ca



Monitoring Progress

Council monitors progress on recommendations in all advisory statements developed since inception in 2010

- 6 advisory statements
- **50** recommendations
- **31** Recommendations progressing or completed



Thank you

The Council thanks all individuals and organizations who have contributed through:

- Financial and in-kind contributions
- Participation in working groups
- Further distributing Council communications
- Participating in Council activities
- Commitment to a collaborative approach

