

NORTH DAKOTA
STATE BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH

In the matter of:

Tuberculosis Testing of)	
Imported Beef Cattle, Bison,)	ORDER
And Goats from New Mexico)	Order No. 2008-04
)	

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, effective July 14, 2008, the North Dakota State Board of Animal Health has determined that there is a threat from tuberculosis in imported beef cattle, bison and goats from New Mexico.

This Order is issued this 8th day of July, 2008, for the purpose of taking effect on July 14, 2008:

1. All beef cattle, bison and goats six months of age or older, other than castrated males and spayed females, must:
 - a. Be negative to an official test for tuberculosis within 60 days prior to entering North Dakota or
 - b. Originate from a tuberculosis accredited free herd (date of last test and accredited herd number listed on health certificate;
 - c. Be listed by official identification individually on a health certificate;
 - d. Obtain import permit prior to entry.
2. Castrated males and spayed females do not need to be tested but must:
 - a. Be officially identified prior to entry;
 - b. Be listed by official identification individually on a health certificate;
 - c. Obtain import permit prior to entry.
3. Breeding beef cattle, bison and goats less than six months of age must:
 - a. Originate from a closed herd which has been whole-herd tested negative tuberculosis within 12 months prior to importation or
 - b. Originate from tuberculosis accredited free herd (date of last test and accredited herd number listed on health certificate) or
 - c. Accompany a negative tested dam.
 - d. Obtain import permit prior to entry.

These requirements are being implemented to protect the health of North Dakota livestock as the result of the impending downgrading of New Mexico's Tuberculosis status to Modified Accredited Advanced.

The only exceptions to this Order will be by approval of the State Veterinarian based upon an epidemiological evaluation and risk determination.

This Order is issued pursuant to NDCC §36-01-08 and §36-01-12. The State Veterinarian is directed to carry out this Order pursuant to NDCC §36-01-06. This Order remains in effect until further notice.

Dated this 8th Day of July, 2008.

By _____ //s// _____

Nathan J. Boehm, President

ND State Board of Animal Health