

Livestock Board

❖ *Mission and philosophy*

The mission of the Wyoming Livestock Board is to serve the livestock industry to ensure it remains a mainstay of the economy. The Livestock Board shall exercise general supervision over the livestock interests and protect them from theft and disease and shall recommend legislation that, in its judgment, will foster the industry. The philosophy is captured in the agency mission statement, "Safeguarding the Wyoming Livestock Industry Today and for the Future."

The philosophy is in keeping with the time-honored tradition of Wyoming. The Wyoming Livestock Board will be open, ethical, responsive, accountable and dedicated to the public it serves. It will pursue its goals with the best available technology and trained personnel within its economic means. The people of Wyoming will be respected for their opinions and concerns and served to the best of the board's ability. The Livestock Board and agency strive to create and maintain animal health and identification programs that are a standard in the United States and that ensure the marketability of Wyoming's livestock.

❖ *Results of outcomes*

With the cattle industry's support of official rules on Trichomoniasis, Chapter 15 Rules were promulgated by the board with input from the industry. Trichomoniasis is a reproductive disease in cattle that has caused a significant economic hardship to the cattle industry in the last several years. The Wyoming Livestock Board believes that these rules have begun to decrease the prevalence of the disease. Wyoming remains Brucellosis free, and the Chapter 2 Brucellosis identification requirement has been well received by other states. The sheep industry in Wyoming is able to export animals freely due to Chapter 13 Rules on Scrapie and the state's continued compliance with federal interstate Scrapie requirements. The swine industry is also exporting freely due to federal Stage 5 Pseudorabies status and Wyoming's Brucellosis free status.

Quarantines were recorded at 310, market licenses at 42, enforcement efforts for animal health reported 305 cases, and 47 incidents were cooperative interstate enforcement efforts. The agency issued 5,123 permits for import. The Animal Health and Enforcement Unit continue with the philosophy of educating before taking an enforcement action.

The objective to protect the ownership of livestock resulted in 2,380,038 brand inspections for the year. Enforcement efforts through brand inspections reported 172 incidents. The identification and holding of stray livestock was approximately 6,000 head. The Brand Recording Unit recorded 1,236 brand transactions with 1,318 brand

General information

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Year established

1933

Statutory references

The agency's statutory authority was established under Chapter 85, Laws 1933. Its activities are described in:

Title 6, Chapter 6, Statute 6-1-101
Title 7, Chapter 2, Statute 7-2-101
Title 9, Chapter 2, Statute 9-2-1102
Title 11, Chapter 6, Statute 11-6-201 and 11-6-210;
Chapter 18, Statutes 11-18-101 through 11-18-113;
Chapter 19, Statutes 11-19-101 through 11-19-506;
Chapter 20, Statutes 11-20-101 through 11-20-409;
Chapter 21, Statutes 11-21-101 through 11-21-104;
Chapter 22, Statutes 11-22-101 through 11-22-118;
Chapter 23, Statutes 11-23-101 through 11-23-305;
Chapter 24, Statutes 11-24-101 through 11-24-115;
Chapter 26, Statute 11-26-101; Chapter 27, Statutes 11-27-101 through 11-27-107; Chapter 28, Statutes 11-28-101 through 11-28-108; Chapter 29, Statutes 11-29-101 through 11-29-113; Chapter 30, Statutes 11-30-101 through 11-30-113; Chapter 31, Statutes 11-31-101 through 11-31-301; Chapter 32, Statutes 11-32-101 through 11-32-104; Chapter 37, Statutes 11-37-102 and 11-37-107
Title 31, Chapter 5, Statute 31-5-102

Number of authorized personnel

14

Organizational structure

Administration, Animal Health, Enforcement, Brand Recording, Brand Inspection. The Wyoming Livestock Board is a separate operating agency with its seven members appointed by the governor.

Clients served

Livestock producers, licensed veterinarians, general public.

Budget information

General funds	\$217,855
Federal funds	0
Trust and agency funds	0
Other earmarked funds	360,109
Total	\$577,964

applications/transfers processed. Additionally, the *1998, 1999 Brand Book Supplement* was published.

❖ ***Strategic plan changes***

The intent of the current administration is to enforce the brand and health regulations in Wyoming and to increase public awareness of Livestock Board regulations. The board also intends to strengthen Wyoming's livestock marketability with other states through animal health programs.

Livestock Board organization chart

