



Premise Identification



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Having a communications plan is critical during an animal disease outbreak or natural disaster. Registering your premises with the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) in advance of any emergency is an important component of that plan.

Premise Identification is the linking of a specific land location to a particular species of animal raised on that location. Premises can include home quarters, pastures, veterinary clinics, auction marts and many other locations.

Premise Identification can prove to be beneficial in the event of an emergency like ice storms, floods, tornadoes and animal disease. In the event of an emergency, the premise identification registry can identify which species of animals may be on a specific premise. Actions to protect these animals from the effect of the emergency can then be designed and put into action.

A fully functioning animal traceability system has three central components. These components are often referred to as the three pillars of traceability. These three pillars are: animal identification, premise identification and animal movement. Different pillars of traceability have different roles to play in terms of providing the possible benefits of traceability.



Saskatchewan is assisting the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency in registering premises.

Operating a traceability system can:

- assist in the management of an emergency such as an animal disease outbreak or natural emergency by being able to contain and resolve them faster
- assist in herd management; and
- improve market access.

If Premise Identification is in place in advance of a crisis it will help to address the emergency more quickly and more effectively. The benefit is that the emergency will end sooner and affect fewer animals in fewer locations. This should result in lower cost to individual producers and the industry. In the event of an animal disease, market access may be maintained or regained sooner than it would have been without Premise Identification.

Saskatchewan is assisting the Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) in registering Saskatchewan premises. Producers

who age verify their calves this fall may want to consider registering their premises at the same time. Saskatchewan remains committed to a voluntary, industry-led traceability system.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

OR TO REGISTER YOUR PREMISES:

- Contact the CCIA at 1-877-909-BEEF (2333);
- or visit www.clia.livestockid.ca/CLTS/public/splash.do.

Age Verification and Premise Identification



Age verifying your 2009 calves will ensure they are eligible for ALL markets. Registering your premise will assist in managing an animal health emergency. Both can be done on CCIA's website: www.clia.livestockid.ca

For more information or for assistance with data entry, call the Agriculture Knowledge Centre toll-free at 1-866-457-2377 or call CCIA at 1-877-909-BEEF

