

## NFAHW Council update – July 2016

### Teleconference July 14, 2016

#### Invited presentation:

Dr. Tom Smylie, CFIA, provided an interesting presentation on the potential impact of the three arrangements signed at the time of the OIE meeting in Paris in May 2016 on the management of Foot and Mouth Disease. The arrangements are:

- Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) Vaccine sharing arrangement with Quads (Canada, US, New Zealand, Australia) and Mexico - to increase the available number of doses of FMD vaccine available to a participant in the event of a FMD outbreak by entering into a sharing arrangement with the FMD vaccine banks of other participants.
- Zoning arrangement with Quads - to describe the principles and understanding reached by the participants that apply to trade between them with respect to the management of the animal health risks associated with a foreign animal disease (FAD) outbreak.
- International Animal Health Emergency Reserves implementation plan with Quads, Ireland and UK - to enable signatory countries to share personnel in the event of an emergency animal disease outbreak.

These arrangements are key pieces in a strategy that CFIA is building to enhance emergency response during an outbreak and allow earlier resumption of trade. Working with the Quads and OIE, Canada is proposing an alternative approach to FMD which utilize advancements in science and technologies to manage the disease. Considerable work is ongoing in Canada and internationally on this file.

#### Work areas:

##### Emerging Issues - Domestic Market Access in an Emerging Disease

Positive feedback was received from the teleconference with other commodities to discuss the recommendations in “Domestic Market Access in the 2014 Porcine Epidemic Diarrhea Outbreak” released in 2016 with a view of evolving the recommendations to be relevant to other commodities in preparing for an emerging issue. A report will be released once discussed by Council.

##### Antimicrobial Use/Antimicrobial Resistance

Rob McNabb, Jim Fairles and Ed Empringham reported on their participation in the CVMA Summit held in Niagara Falls, Ontario on July 7, 2016. The Summit brought 170 participants together to discuss veterinary oversight of antimicrobial use. Presentations included comments from individuals involved in the cattle, dairy, pork and poultry industry. Also included in the participants were representatives of the bee industry and aquaculture.

##### Farmed Animal Health and Welfare 2020

Initial interviews are progressing with the identified pilot group. Council will receive a report in September 2016.

**Work planning**

Following a brainstorming session in June, the Council discussed the development of the 2017-18 work plan further. A session for participants to provide input will be included in the Forum 2016.

**Forum 2016**

A draft agenda for the Forum will be available soon. We are excited this year to have an international presenter to open the AMR session on the afternoon of November 30. **Dr. Jaap Wagenaar**, Utrecht University will share the experiences from the Netherlands in managing antimicrobial use.

**Forum 2016**

**The NFAHW Council Forum 2016 will take place in Ottawa on November 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>**

**Upcoming meetings and events**

August 11, 2016 - teleconference

September 29-30, 2016 – in conjunction with the International One Welfare Conference in Winnipeg

**International One Welfare Conference****REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!**

The Council is a sponsor of the [International One Welfare Conference](#) being held in Winnipeg September 26-28, 2016. The conference is designed to address the many facets of complex social situations where the welfare of both the humans and the animals involved are carefully considered in a positive solution.

**Council website – [www.ahwcouncil.ca](http://www.ahwcouncil.ca)**

- The Council meeting schedule is posted under *meetings*.
- Public documents are posted under *documents*

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