Swine Traceability 2023: Have you Heard?



The Situation

Given the growing threat from foreign animal diseases (FADs) to the U.S. swine industry, it is imperative that we review pre-harvest traceability. Improving our ability to efficiently and accurately identify and locate diseased animals will help control the spread of disease and reduce export markets impacts.

NPPC's Position

Our industry has historically supported mandatory pre-harvest traceability for swine and prioritizes addressing the gaps in the current system. This work is critical to manage an outbreak of a foreign swine disease and better position us for resumption of trade through regionalization.

Key areas of focus:

- Movements to slaughter, including cull channels
- Intra-state movements
- Speed at which movement data is available
- Premises Identification Numbers (PINs) across all segments of the industry

How You Can Get Involved

In 2022, the industry convened a task force on swine traceability, to review and revise a set of Traceability Standards. NPPC will collect feedback through 2023 and will present the "Swine Traceability Standards" resolution at the 2024 Forum. Producers will then vote on the resolution. If approved, NPPC will submit to USDA for consideration.

NPPC would like to hear from you! A draft of the "Swine Traceability Standards" can be accessed by scanning the QR code below or contacting your state executive.

Producers can provide feedback in one of three ways:

- Email: <u>invest@nppc.org</u>
- Submit comments through your state executive or NPPC's producer services team
- Fill out the form found at: <u>https://forms.office.com/r/xTR0vsmtCL</u>

Producers will have multiple opportunities to comment. Upcoming comment deadlines are: August 18 (draft #2) and October 27 (draft #3).



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Facts That Matter:

An FAD detection would close export markets for U.S. pork and have a negative effect on the farm economy. In 2022, the U.S. exported over \$7.6 billion in pork and pork products to over 100 countries – nearly a quarter of U.S. pork production.

We invite you to learn more about policy issues to support and strengthen America's pork producers at **NPPC.org**.

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