

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD) Exposed Herd and Premises Management Plan

Herd Owner: Rulon Jones
Premises Owner: Rulon Jones
Doing Business as: Broadmouth Canyon Ranch
Herd/ Premises Address:
GPS Coordinates:

Purpose of Herd Plan:

This herd plan establishes an agreement between the following herd/ premises owner:

Rulon Jones (HERD OWNER)

and the official agency: **Idaho State Department of Agriculture (ISDA)** for the management of CWD exposed animals and premises and as one condition for the herd owner to operate and manage herd operations for the duration of the Hold Order period. This plan establishes measures to be implemented that are intended to minimize risks associated with the transmission of the CWD infectious agent to other uninfected populations of susceptible species.

History:

On October 5, 2023, USDA was notified that CWD test results from Sunset Farm, Aron Neufeld, were found to be positive on a recently deceased cervid. The HERD OWNER imported a total of ninety-two (92) animals during the previous sixty (60) months from Sunset Farm. The 92 animals imported were determined to have all been in close proximity and present on the same facility as the animal that tested positive for CWD.

CRDR-2022-0173 – 7 Males
CRDR-2022-0172 – 7 Males
CRDR-2022-0171 – 6 Males
CRDR-2022-0187 – 1 Male
CRDR-2019-0199 – 36 Males
CRDR-2018-0184 – 35 Males

Upon notification of the laboratory findings, the premises was placed under a State-issued quarantine that restricted movement of susceptible animals on or off the premises (Hold Order CWD 23-10-11SL). The status of the ninety-two imported elk, as well as all resident cervids present at all Broadmouth Canyon Ranch facilities at the time of import, are considered Exposed to CWD per IDAPA 02.04.19, *Rules Governing Domestic Cervidae*.

Inventory:

An inventory of the elk on the Jemmett Facility was completed and reported by ISDA Livestock Investigator Kelly Mortensen on December 12, 2023. A complete, verified 2023 inventory, as required in IDAPA 02.04.19, must be submitted for all Broadmouth Canyon ranches and livestock.

The owner of the exposed premises agrees to the following:

- (a) To, upon request, make herd records available for inspection or copying by APHIS VS representatives and State representatives, given reasonable prior notice and to assist with the epidemiological investigation related to individual animal information, animal movements, high risk animals, etc.
- (b) To maintain the premises as outlined or referenced in this document.

Fencing Requirements:

The HERD OWNER must maintain fences in accordance with APHIS and State regulations to prevent the ingress and egress of cervids. The HERD OWNER agrees to allow inspections of these fences by APHIS or State representatives.

Movement Restrictions:

If the HERD OWNER chooses to transfer any cervids from one Broadmouth Canyon Ranch premise to another one of the registered cervid premises currently under the same ownership, or another Idaho cervid facility owned by a separate party, he MUST 1) utilize the online Idaho Domestic Cervidae Program to record all movement information (official IDs, date transferred, origin and destination premise, etc.) within 10 days of movement.

If the HERD OWNER chooses to move any cervids from any Broadmouth Canyon Ranch premise directly to a slaughter plant, he MUST 1) contact ISDA in advance of the movement.

Other Requirements

With proper notification, the Owners shall, during normal business hours, allow State and/or APHIS officials to enter the premises to inspect the facilities, property, fences, inventory records, and animals as the State and/or APHIS officials consider necessary to verify compliance with the provisions of this herd plan.

Upon the death (natural or harvested) of any of the cervids twelve (12) months of age and older located at any of the facilities managed by the HERD OWNER, the HERD OWNER must collect tissue from **one-hundred percent (100%)** of all animal(s) and send to an accredited laboratory for CWD testing within ten (10) days of the death of the animal. The HERD OWNER must collect and submit both obex and retropharyngeal lymph node samples on all age-eligible animals. The HERD OWNER is responsible for collecting, packaging and shipping all CWD test samples to an accredited laboratory for testing, as well as the associated testing expenses. All test results must be forwarded to ISDA. Additionally, the HERD OWNER must utilize the online Domestic Cervidae Program to manage separate herd inventories for all premises and to record movements between facilities. Once the HERD OWNER satisfactorily meets the CWD testing requirement for thirty-six (36) months, the facility will be eligible for Hold Order release. If any cervids at any of the premises owned by the HERD OWNER test positive for CWD during the Hold Order period, this management plan must be updated.

Herd Owner

Date

[insert State agency name] Representative

Date

Other State Representative (if appropriate)

Date

[insert State name] Assistant District Director, USDA APHIS VS

Date