National Animal Health Reporting System (NAHRS) 2012/2013 Update

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NAHRS

• Reporting system to collect summary data through State animal health officials on the occurrence of U.S. National List of Reportable Animal Diseases (NLRAD)—which includes OIE reportable diseases
  ➢ One mechanism for State animal health officials to meet cooperative reporting requirements of the NLRAD

• VS’ primary tool for regularly recording the U.S. status of OIE reportable diseases.

• One part of a comprehensive and integrated National Animal Health Surveillance System (NAHSS)
  ➢ Provides historic information on disease events and occurrences
NAHRS Organizational Structure

District Representatives
Bruce Akey (NY)—NE
Tony Frazier (AL)—S
Mike Nealt (MI)—NC
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Cattle Working Group
Mike Sanderson

Equine Working Group
Josie Traub-Dargatz

Swine Working Group
Patrick Webb

Small Ruminants WG
Jim Logan

Poultry Working Group
Bruce Stewart-Brown

Aquaculture Working Group
Jerry Heidel

NAHRS Coordinator: USDA APHIS VS CEAH-National Surveillance Unit (NSU)

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NAHRS 2012 / 2013 Activities

• NAHRS Steering Committee Teleconferences
  ➢ Nov 2012 & Jan 2013

• Routine activities
  ▪ Office of Management & Budget (OMB) recertification of approval to collect information---completed June 2013
  ▪ NAHRS Training Module development continued
  ▪ Case definitions /reporting requirements development continued
  ▪ NAHSS NAHRS 2012 Annual Report
    ➢ 40 States participated in NAHRS in CY 2012
    ➢ Distribution scheduled for late October 2013

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NLRAD—Cooperative Implementation

• NLRAD List of Diseases incorporated into NAHRS Web Reporting Tool in CY 2012
  - NAHRS Web Reporting Tool expanded to include Farmed Cervids, Bee diseases (optional only as other agencies responsible, Lagomorph-rabbit; and Other Diseases (Camelpox and Leishmaniosis)
  - With additions above all OIE-listed diseases included on NAHRS Web Reporting Tool
  - Case definitions/reporting criteria development continues and accessed while completing report through NAHRS Web Reporting Tool
    - Web site with all case definitions also in development
NLRAD- Regulatory process

• Regulatory process should be flexible to allow for changes and inclusion of emerging diseases
  ➢ Reference to list in CFR and reporting requirements – specifics in VS memorandum

• Executive Branch evaluating closely the need for new regulations and must
  ➢ NLRAD is being reviewed by Veterinary Services leadership
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NAHRS & NLRAD Goals 2013–2014

• Regulatory process for NLRAD initiated
• Review/evaluate NLRAD disease list
• Garner all 50 States to participate in NAHRS
• Update/rewrite of NAHRS UM&R
• Increase Veterinary Services involvement & awareness of NAHRS (new districts)
  ➢ Evaluate VS reorganization in relation to NAHRS
• Complete training modules & case definitions
Questions?