Improving Livestock Transportation

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Key Messages

- CFIA reviews Health of Animal legislation and import policy to respond to changes in science, trade patterns, industry practices etc.
- Regulatory approach must be science-based, national in scope and address all hazards and sectors.
- Current Health of Animals Regulations (HAR)
 require certain poultry and swine trucks returning
 from US prior to entering Canada be clean and
 disinfected.

Key Messages

- HAR transport regulations put in place protect Canadian animal resource base and access to export markets.
- Economic impact of reportable disease outbreaks could cost billions to Canada in response to activities and loss of export markets
- Animal health disease status between Canada and US not similar

Key Messages

- Need to have a national dialogue to review transport regulations based on disease risk, economic viability and industry practices.
- A Cross-border biosecurity working group has been formed with representatives from federal and provincial government and industry to develop regulatory and non-regulatory options for all livestock and poultry conveyances entering Canada from the US.
- Options to be developed by December, 2016.