Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 2/1/2013

(Based on Reporting from 31 Veterinary Clinics and Other Sources)

Non Animal Bite Events and Rabies PEP Administration

(Scroll down to see reported animal to human bite incidents)

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)

Johnson County- A veterinarian reported negative rabies tests on a llama and a cow. Both had exhibited signs suspicious for rabies. Another veterinarian reported possible rabies in a cow that had died. The owner of the cow has been encouraged to have the cow tested for rabies.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)

Nothing to Report

David Evertson, DVM- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)

Nothing to Report

Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)

Nothing to Report

Jim Summers, DVM- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)

Nothing to Report

Tim Graham, DVM- Region 6 (Park, Hot Springs, YNP, Big Horn, Washakie)

Nothing to Report

Gary Norwood, DVM- Region 7 (Laramie, Platte, Goshen, WAFB)

Nothing to Report

Animal Bite Incidents

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)

Johnson County- A health care provider reported the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that had bitten the dog's owner. The bite victim was attempting to break up a dog fight at the time of the incident.

Weston County- A health care provider reported the shelter quarantine of a vaccinated dog. The bite victim was bitten while trying to feed the dog a treat.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)

Nothing to Report

David Evertson, DVM- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)

Albany County- The Laramie Police Department/Animal Control reported on two dog bite incidents. In one incident, the bite victim was bitten while trying to break up a dog fight between two family dogs. The bite victim planned to have both dogs euthanized and tested for rabies. In another incident, an unvaccinated dog was placed under veterinary clinic quarantine. An individual had been bitten by the dog after entering into the dog's home domain.

Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)

Sweetwater County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a dog. The bite victim was attempting to break up a dog fight at the time of the incident. Animal control information on the incident is pending.

Uinta County- The Evanston Animal Control Shelter reported the home quarantine of a vaccinated dog that had bitten a relative of the dog's owner.

Jim Summers, DVM- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)

Fremont County- The Fremont County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported on an unvaccinated dog that had bitten a delivery person. The dog was home quarantined.

Tim Graham, DVM- Region 6 (Park, Hot Springs, YNP, Big Horn, Washakie) Nothing to Report

Gary Norwood, DVM- Region 7 (Laramie, Platte, Goshen, WAFB)

Laramie County- A health care provider reported on an individual bitten by a rat. The bite victim was counseled regarding rabies PEP.

WGFD-Wyoming Game and Fish Department WSVL-Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory WPHL-Wyoming Public Health Laboratory PFGE- Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis PEP-Rabies Post Exposure Prophylaxis