

EXOTIC DISEASE PREPAREDNESS REVIEW

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Project Description

The aim of this project was to review and provide editing recommendations on the *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing*. This manual was last reviewed in 2007, however over the last 13 years commercial production has changed:

- / supply of stock has become more integrated
- / environment management (i.e. effluent and runoff management) has advanced to aid energy production
- / advancements in the understanding of disease transmission and destruction have occurred

Project Content

Animal Health Australia (AHA), on behalf of their member organisations and stakeholders, manages the review process of AUSVETPLAN. When a manual is identified for review, AHA also draws on the AUSVETPLAN registry of reviewers and may also seek expressions of interest from people with the required expertise to join the writing group. This project will allow AMPC to provide the report to industry to allow them to advocate for review and update of the manual in line with current practices and regulation.

Project Outcome

The aim of this project was to review and provide editing recommendations for the current *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing*. The review process also identified a number of further observations and considerations for any review of the *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing*. This process resulted in:

- / editing recommendations on the current *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing* based on AHA's *Providing Comments on AUSVETPLAN*

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- / broader observations based on the review of the current *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing* for consideration in any future development or revision of the AUSVETPLAN
- / recommendations for industry based on review of the *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing* to improve the overall response to any potential future emergency disease outbreak.

The findings of the process have been presented to AMIC for inclusion in the current review of the *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing*.

Benefit for Industry

Review of the *AUSVETPLAN Enterprise Manual for Meat Processing* has provided recommended observations and updates to the manual to align with current practices and regulatory requirements. If considered and implemented, these changes would enable the industry to respond quickly and effectively as the manual requirements and recommendations would align with current meat production and also allow companies and the industry to act as a whole to reduce business risk:

- / to personnel through WHS exposure
- / financially incurred through quarantining of the premises
- / to reputation with producers, suppliers and customers; and
- / to market access and trade

USEFUL RESOURCES

AUSVETPLAN Manuals and documents. Available at:

<https://www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au/our-publications/ausvetplan-manuals-and-documents/>

