

## NFAHW Council – update to stakeholders Forum 2019

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### **Emerging Issues**

"The Identification of Issues Related to Access to Livestock Slaughter Facilities in Animal Disease Situations" 2018

 ${\sf Graham\ Clark\ Study-GF2-joint\ collaboration\ with\ NFAHWC\ and\ the\ LMISSC}$ 

#### Key Issues Identified in Study: Processors

Lack of freezer capacity
Size and species required
Labor requirements
Diseased vs welfare cull
Compensation
Regulator co-ordination

#### Key Issues Identified by Federal Swine

Lack of Freezer Space Size and species Inedible Storage Existing Contracts Disposal

#### **Next Steps:**

- Survey validation underway with provincial abattoirs
- · Survey completed with federal swine abattoirs and CMC
- Planned outreach to other species abattoirs in 2020

General consensus to date that the study findings were accurate with recommendations to reach out to livestock associations as well as abattoirs



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### **Emerging Issues**

- Initiated a working group on wildlife farmed animal interface
- Work on collecting lessons learned from the African Swine Fever planning and preparedness activities



# ASF Preliminary Lessons Learned at a Glance

Collaboration is occurring regularly and transparently up to senior levels of industry, federal and provincial government in a way that hasn't been seen in advance of a disease event.

#### African Swine Fever Executive Management Board

A "living lab" example

- Beyond the traditional stakeholder-government relationship
- More of a collaborative approach to prepare for a disease outbreak risk.



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# ASF Preliminary Lessons Learned at a Glance

- Communication is not easy
  - reaching the right people and organizations with the right information tools at the right time
  - Building trust to encourage information sharing, and test readiness is critical
- Governance
  - Who, what, when, why?
  - Inventory of activities
- Collaborate Vs Consult
  - Use the unique skill sets of your partners
  - Shared approaches solve problems more effectively



# ASF Preliminary Lessons Learned at a Glance

- Using what we have
  - There are numerous systems with information that are not well integrated. Work needs to continue to better align these tools.
- Teamwork is critical Federal, Provincial,
   Territorial animal health, human health,
   wildlife and industry
- On Farm resources help build a successful response from the ground up



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### Gaps

- Welfare culling
- Euthanasia/Slaughter capacity
- Recovery funding
- Linkages to small scale
- Practice
- More in following presentations



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