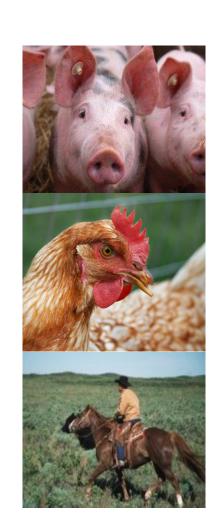


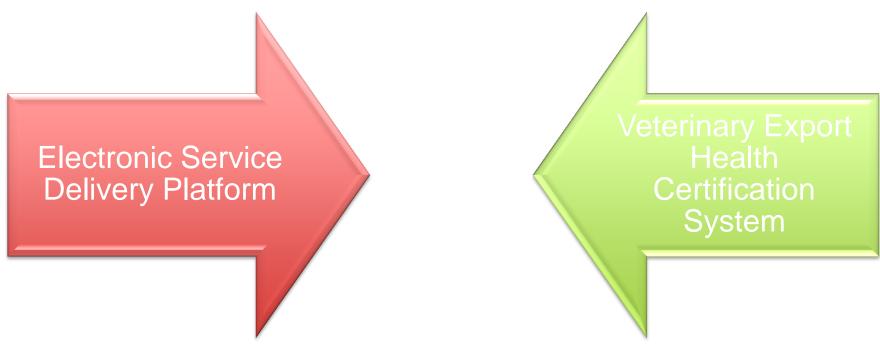


# Regulatory Cooperation Council Update

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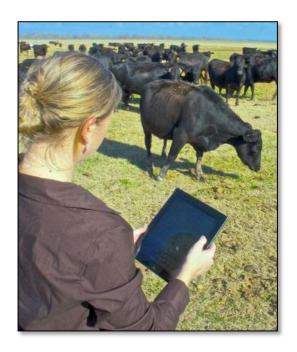
#### **Electronic Certification**



- 2900+ export certificates were issued through EEEC
- 1.25 million+ heads imported to the United States from Canada.
- Consultations between the CFIA, APHIS, and Canadian industry groups

#### **VEHCS**

- Enabled to issue export health certificates
- Extended to include digitally signed health certificates for U.S. cattle and bison





## **FAD Zoning Background**

- The first action item: bilateral arrangement for mutual recognition of zoning decisions in the event of an FAD outbreak
- Establishes processes for maintaining the arrangement over time
- Outlines a strategy for engaging stakeholders in developing critical resources and strategies for implementation





#### **FAD Zoning Arrangement**



- Initiative largely supported by U.S. and Canadian industry groups
- Strong interest in continued stakeholder engagement
- Two U.S. groups opposed to initiative as a regulatory model
- Industry-specific questions and/or suggestions for improvement

# Incorporating the Arrangement and Framework

- Targeted Assessments
- North American Virtual Animal Disease Modelling Center
- Incorporating Framework into real-life responses may have derailed plans for training and simulations
- Seeking to identify opportunities
- Incorporate the Framework into FAD exercises

### **Emergency Transit Initiative**

- Discussions between CFIA, APHIS, and industry stakeholders
- Allows for the development of simple and practical policies for moving animals between Canada and the United States in case of an emergency



#### **Questions?**

