



April 4, 2024

**Subject: Bovine Associated Influenza A (H5N1) Syndrome Entry Requirements for Importing Dairy Breed Cattle in California**

**1. ORDER**

All dairy breed cattle originating from any state(s) where Bovine Associated Influenza A (H5N1) Syndrome\*\* has, or have been diagnosed, must be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection(CVI) and signed by an accredited veterinarian within seven (7) days of transport that includes the following statement:

**"All animals identified on this Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) have been inspected and do not originate from a premises with a confirmed detection of Bovine Associated Influenza A (H5N1) Syndrome\*\* or that is currently under investigation as a suspect premises."**

\*\* Signs of Bovine Associated Influenza A (H5N1) Syndrome in cattle include:

- Drop in milk production
- Loss of appetite
- Changes in manure consistency
- Thickened or colostrum-like milk
- Low-grade fever

**2. PURPOSE**

In an attempt to mitigate potential transmission from affected premises and dairy cattle to susceptible livestock in California, the duration of time that CVIs for dairy cattle are valid from date of veterinary inspection originating from any state that has a confirmed, or presumptive diagnosis of Bovine Associated Influenza A (H5N1) Syndrome\*\* shall be reduced to 7 days.

**3. AUTHORITY**

[3 CCR § 830.2. General Requirements.](#)

[3 CCR § 830.3. Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.](#)

[3 CCR § 831.4. Documentation Required for Cattle and Bison Moving into California.](#)

[3 CCR § 830. Definitions.](#)

**4. EFFECTIVE DATE**

This order is effective immediately.

Respectfully,

Annette Jones

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