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NOTICE OF REQUIRED ACTION PURSUANT TO QUARANTINE

Applies to: **All owners of livestock, equine, poultry and companion animals.**

Region: **State of California**

You are hereby notified that the State Veterinarian has imposed a Quarantine pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code, Section 9562 and 9564 on the following population of animals or animal product:

Description of Population of Animals or Animal Product: **All livestock (cattle, swine, sheep, goats, camelids), equine (horses, mules, donkeys), domesticated poultry (chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, peacocks, guinea fowl, pigeons, upland gamebirds, ratites) captive cervids, and companion animals (dogs, cats, pet psittacines, rabbits, domestic rodents).**

Present location: **Entering California and originating from a State or USDA designated State with an active New World Screwworm (NWS) Infested Zone.**

Reason for Quarantine: This Quarantine is imposed because the population of animals or animal product described above may be infested with **New World Screwworm (NWS)** or may have been exposed to NWS and could transmit an illness that could kill or seriously damage other animals or may be at risk for such exposure.

Required Action: Pursuant to Food and Agricultural Code, Section 9562 and Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301 *et seq.*, you are required to:

- ☒ **Hold, Cease, and Treat** the population of animals or animal product described above from other animals or products no later than **June 12, 2026 at 9:00 am**. The method of isolation, segregation, and treatment shall be:
 - **Any animals known or reasonably suspected of being infested with NWS shall not enter California unless otherwise authorized by CDFA.**
 - **All Interstate Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (ICVIs) required for animals subject to this quarantine, including animals originating from an NWS-infested zone, NWS-surveillance zone, NWS-infested state, or other affected area designated by the State Veterinarian, must be submitted electronically to CDFA.**
 - **Animals subject to this quarantine shall meet all inspection, treatment, certification, identification, permit, reporting, and movement requirements contained in Attachment NWS-1, Notice of Required Action Pursuant to Quarantine, which is incorporated herein by reference.**
 - **Dogs entering California from Mexico shall comply with all applicable United States Department of Agriculture New World Screwworm (NWS) entry requirements and shall obtain a California Entry Permit as specified in Attachment NWS-1. Cats entering from Mexico shall comply with the entry requirements specified in Attachment NWS-1.**
 - **Be inspected by a USDA-accredited veterinarian or authorized inspector, as applicable, within the timeframe specified in Attachment NWS-1 and be accompanied by an electronic Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (eCVI) containing the statement: "All animals were inspected and found free of evidence of NWS infestation".**
 - **Be treated with an effective approved New World Screwworm (NWS) treatment, as applicable to the species being moved and as specified in Attachment NWS-1.**
 - **The eCVI or an NWS pre-movement inspection Certificate must include:**
 - **Date(s) of movement**
 - **Origin National Premises Identification that is validated**
 - **Official ID (9 CFR 86.4) for all livestock species or other approved identification method of all animals recorded to be moved**
 - **Completion date of the NWS inspection**
 - **Number of animals inspected for movement**
 - **Number of animals administered an NWS animal drug or pesticide product**
 - **Product name, administration date, route of administration, withdrawal period end date**
 - **Dates the NWS animal movement certificate is valid**
 - **Name(s) and title of the NWS inspector (accredited veterinarian or state or federal animal health official).**
 - **Be accompanied by an electronic or paper copy of the eCVI and the NWS Inspection Certificate, if applicable, when entering California.**
 - **Obtain a California entry permit by calling CDFA at 909-247-8789 no later than 48 hours, but preferably at least 72 hours, before movement date. Permit Information can be found at https://www.cdca.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/Entry_Requirements.html.**
 - **All animals shall be inspected upon arrival at the California destination premises. Any animal identified with NWS myiasis (larvae) must be isolated, and the finding reported to CDFA within 24 hours.**
 - **Exceptions to the above requirements:**
 - **Livestock moving from an infested zone or surveillance zone to slaughter:**
 - **Inspection and eCVI are valid for three (3) days**
 - **Animals do not need to be treated if slaughtered within three (3) days of inspection**
 - **Dairy calves (up to 6 months of age). All dairy calves originating from an infested zone or surveillance zone:**
 - **Must have been individually inspected within 5 days prior to arrival and found free of NWS larvae**

- *Must have their navels dipped with an EPA-approved product and be treated with a systemic avermectin product not administered more than 14 days prior to arrival*
- *Must be accompanied by an eCVI, and NWS animal movement certificate (if being used)*
- *A California entry permit request with required documentation must be submitted to CDFA at least 24 hours, but preferably at least 72 hours, before the movement date*
- **Poultry**
 - *The following are exempt, provided such movements originate from flocks participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan and move under a VS Form 9-3:*
 - *Hatching eggs.*
 - *Chicks less than five (5) days of age.*
 - *Shipments of table eggs are exempt.*
- **Small mammal exemption (see Attachment NWS-1)**
- **Alternate movement documents, such as Extended Equine Movement Permits, Owner-Shipper Statements, and Pasture to Pasture permits, are not allowed for animals moving from an infested state.**

*****For more information about movement restrictions, biosecurity and testing requirements, please call 909-247-8789 or email NWSpermitting@cdfa.ca.gov or evet@cdfa.ca.gov.*****

The State Veterinarian may modify the action(s) required in this Notice. Failure to comply with this Notice of Required Action is a violation of Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301.8 and will result in the Department of Food and Agriculture pursuing appropriate remedies, including but not limited to civil or administrative penalties, law enforcement involvement, and may interfere with your receiving indemnity payments to which you might be entitled.

Notice issued by: Amanda Murray, DVM, MPVM, PhD Title: State Veterinarian Date: June 10, 2026 Time: 3:00 pm

YOUR APPEAL RIGHTS: You may appeal the imposition of the Quarantine in an informal hearing process, pursuant to Chapter 4.5 (commencing with Section 11400) of Division 3 of Title 2 of the Government Code and Title 3, California Code of Regulations, Section 1301.2 and 1301.3, by contacting the **State Veterinarian** at [CDFA.AHFSS Quarantine Notice Appeal@cdfa.ca.gov](mailto:CDFA.AHFSS_Quarantine_Notice_Appeal@cdfa.ca.gov) and requesting an informal hearing. Due to the immediate need to mitigate entry into California, **YOUR REQUEST FOR HEARING MUST BE RECEIVED NO LATER THAN June 15, 2026 at 5:00 pm.**

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NOTICE OF REQUIRED ACTION PURSUANT TO QUARANTINE

NEW WORLD SCREWORM (NWS) ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Effective immediately, in addition to all applicable federal and California import requirements, the following requirements apply to all warm-blooded animals entering California as specified in this Attachment. This includes livestock (cattle, bison, swine, sheep, goats, and camelids), equids (horses, mules, and donkeys), domestic poultry (chickens, turkeys, waterfowl, peacocks, guinea fowl, pigeons, upland gamebirds, ratites) captive cervids, and companion animals (dogs, cats, rabbits, psittacines, and domestic rodents).

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

1. Any animal known or reasonably suspected to be infested with NWS shall not enter California unless specifically authorized in writing by the State Veterinarian.
2. All Interstate Certificates of Veterinary Inspection (ICVIs) required pursuant to this Attachment shall be submitted electronically to the California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) using an approved electronic Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (eCVI) vendor (including, but not limited to Global Vet Link, Veterinary Services Processing Streamlining (VSPS), Vet Sentry, myVetTech, and EquiPass).
3. In addition to any requirements imposed by the state of origin or by federal animal health officials, animals entering California from affected areas shall comply with the requirements specified in this Attachment.

ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM AN NWS-INFESTED ZONE

Animals originating from an NWS-Infested Zone shall meet all of the following requirements

1. Be individually inspected by a USDA-accredited veterinarian, state or federal animal health official, or other state or federal certified inspector within five (5) days prior to arrival.
2. Be accompanied by:
 - a. An eCVI; and
 - b. An NWS Animal Movement Certificate, when required by the state of origin or federal animal health officials.
3. The eCVI shall be signed by a USDA-accredited veterinarian and shall include the statement: "All animals were inspected and found free of evidence of New World Screwworm infestation."

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4. Be treated with an Effective Approved systemic NWS Treatment when applicable to the species being moved. Treatment must not be administered more than 14 days prior to arrival.
5. For species for which no approved systemic treatment exists, movement requirements shall be determined by CDFA on a case-by-case basis.
6. The eCVI or NWS Animal Movement Certificate shall include:
 - a. Date(s) of movement;
 - b. Origin National Premises Identification Number (NPIN), when available;
 - c. Official identification for Livestock, equine, and poultry (see [eCFR : 9 CFR 86.4 -- Official identification](#)). -- or other approved identification for non-livestock species such as digital photographs or ISO-compliant (15-digit) microchips;
 - d. Number of animals inspected;
 - e. Number of animals treated;
 - f. Product name, administration date, route of administration, and withdrawal period end date, when applicable;
 - g. Date of inspection;
 - h. Validity period of the movement certificate; and
 - i. Name and title of the inspecting official.
7. Companion animal eCVIs are exempt from the NPIN requirement when an NPIN is unavailable and shall instead include a complete physical address of origin.
8. Animals shall be accompanied by all required movement documentation while entering California.
9. Obtain a California Entry Permit. Submit a permit request with all required documents not less than forty-eight (48) hours and preferably at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to movement.

LIVESTOCK AND POULTRY ORIGINATING FROM AN NWS-SURVEILLANCE ZONE

Livestock and poultry originating from an NWS-Surveillance Zone shall:

1. Be individually inspected by a USDA-accredited veterinarian within seven (7) days prior to arrival.
2. Be accompanied by an eCVI containing the statement: "All animals were inspected and found free of evidence of New World Screwworm infestation."
3. Be accompanied by the eCVI while entering California.
4. Obtain a California Entry Permit. Submit a permit request with all required documents not less than forty-eight (48) hours and preferably at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to movement.

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Dairy calves six (6) months of age or younger originating from an NWS-Infested Zone or NWS-Surveillance Zone shall:

1. Be individually inspected within five (5) days prior to arrival.
2. Be accompanied by an eCVI containing the required NWS statement.
3. Be treated with an approved systemic avermectin product. Treatment must not be administered more than 14 days prior to arrival.
4. Have navels treated with an EPA-approved product when less than three (3) weeks of age.
5. Obtain a California Entry Permit. Submit a permit request with all required documents not less than twenty-four (24) hours and preferably at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to movement.

EQUINES AND COMPANION ANIMALS ORIGINATING FROM A STATE WITH AN ACTIVE NWS INFESTED ZONE

Equines and companion animals originating from a state with an active NWS infested zone shall:

1. Be individually inspected by a USDA-accredited veterinarian within seven (7) days prior to arrival.
2. Be accompanied by an eCVI containing the statement: "All animals were inspected and found free of evidence of New World Screwworm infestation."
3. Be accompanied by the eCVI while entering California.
4. Obtain a California Entry Permit. Submit a permit request with all required documents not less than forty-eight (48) hours and preferably at least seventy-two (72) hours prior to movement.

DOGS AND CATS ORIGINATING FROM MEXICO

In addition to any other applicable federal import requirements and state entry requirements, dogs and cats entering California from Mexico shall:

1. Be individually inspected for New World Screwworm (NWS) within five (5) days prior to entry into the United States.
2. Be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection issued within five (5) days prior to entry stating that the dog or cat:
 - a. Was inspected for clinical signs consistent of NWS infestation or other contagious disease within five (5) days prior to shipment;
 - b. Was found free of NWS infestation; or
 - c. If previously infested, was quarantined and treated until free of NWS infestation.
3. For dogs, the certificate must be issued in accordance with all United States Department of Agriculture importation requirements.

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4. Obtain a California Entry Permit within five (5) days prior to entry into California.

ARRIVAL INSPECTION AND REPORTING

1. All animals entering California pursuant to this Attachment shall be inspected upon arrival at the destination premises.
2. Any animal exhibiting clinical signs consistent with NWS infestation, including the presence of larvae in wounds or body openings, shall be immediately isolated and reported to CDFA within twenty-four (24) hours.

EXEMPTIONS

DIRECT TO SLAUGHTER MOVEMENTS

Livestock moving directly to slaughter from an NWS-Infested Zone or NWS-Surveillance Zone:

1. Are exempt from treatment requirements when slaughter occurs within seventy-two (72) hours of inspection.
2. Shall be accompanied by an eCVI issued within seventy-two (72) hours prior to arrival.
3. Shall comply with all other applicable requirements of this Attachment.
4. Shall move directly to the destination slaughter establishment.
5. Diversion from the destination slaughter establishment is prohibited.
6. If slaughter cannot occur within seventy-two (72) hours of inspection, CDFA shall be contacted immediately for further instructions.

POULTRY EXEMPTIONS

The following poultry movements are exempt from the requirements of this Attachment:

1. Hatching eggs.
2. Chicks less than five (5) days of age.

Provided such movements originate from flocks participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan and move under a VS Form 9-3.

Shipments of table eggs are exempt from the requirements of this Attachment.

SMALL MAMMAL EXEMPTION

Small mammals originating from an NWS-Infested Zone that are born and continuously raised indoors are exempt from systemic treatment requirements but shall comply with all inspection, certification, and permit requirements.

PROHIBITED MOVEMENT DOCUMENTS

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Extended Equine Movement Permits, Owner-Shipper Statements, Pasture-to-Pasture Permits, and other alternative movement documents are not acceptable for animals subject to this Attachment unless specifically authorized by the State Veterinarian.

DEFINITIONS

Effective Approved NWS Treatment means: a topical or systemic product that is experimentally licensed, conditionally licensed, fully licensed, registered, or approved by the United States Department of Agriculture, the United States Food and Drug Administration, or the United States Environmental Protection Agency for animal use against internal or external parasites and that has demonstrated efficacy against New World Screwworm larvae in peer-reviewed scientific literature.

NWS-Infested Zone means a geographic area designated as the location where New World Screwworm (NWS) has been confirmed or where there is a high probability of establishment, as described in the United States Department of Agriculture New World Screwworm Playbook, and as recognized by the State Veterinarian.

NWS-Surveillance Zone means a geographic area established as part of an adaptive outbreak response strategy to monitor, detect, and control New World Screwworm (NWS) infestations, as described in the United States Department of Agriculture New World Screwworm Playbook, and as recognized by the State Veterinarian.

A State with an Active NWS Infested Zone means any state in which unsterilized *Cochliomyia hominivorax* flies are established through detections in traps, or in which New World Screwworm (NWS) active cases have been confirmed by the United States Department of Agriculture in domestic animals or wildlife, as determined by the State Veterinarian based on information from the United States Department of Agriculture or other animal health authorities.