

**IDAPA 02 – DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
IDAHO SHEEP AND GOAT HEALTH BOARD**

02.08.01 – SHEEP AND GOAT RULES OF THE IDAHO SHEEP AND GOAT HEALTH BOARD

DOCKET NO. 02-0801-1701

NOTICE OF INTENT TO PROMULGATE RULES – NEGOTIATED RULEMAKING

AUTHORITY: In compliance with Section 67-5220, Idaho Code, notice is hereby given that this agency intends to promulgate rules and desires public comment prior to initiating formal rulemaking procedures. This negotiated rulemaking action is authorized pursuant to Title 25, chapter 1, including section 25-128, Idaho Code.

METHOD OF PARTICIPATION: Interested persons wishing to participate in the negotiated rulemaking must respond to this notice by contacting the undersigned either in writing, by email, or by calling the phone number listed below. To participate, responses must be received by August 18, 2017.

Should a reasonable number of persons respond to this notice, negotiated meetings will be scheduled and all scheduled meetings shall be posted and made accessible on the agency website at the address listed below.

Failure of interested persons to respond to this notice of intent or the lack of a sufficient number of responses to this notice of intent may result in the discontinuation of further informal proceedings. In either event, the agency shall have sole discretion in determining the feasibility of scheduling and conducting informal negotiated rulemaking and may proceed directly to formal rulemaking if proceeding with negotiated rulemaking is deemed infeasible.

Upon the conclusion of the negotiated rulemaking, any unresolved issues, all key issues considered, and conclusions reached during the negotiated rulemaking will be addressed in a written summary. The summary will be made available to interested persons who contact the agency or, if the agency chooses, the summary may be posted on the agency website.

DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY: The following is a statement in nontechnical language of the substance and purpose of the intended negotiated rulemaking and the principal issues involved:

This rule is to require that all intact rams entering the state of Idaho have a *Brucella Ovis* test. This protects the owners bringing them in so that they know they have a healthy ram and that it will not transmit *Brucella Ovis* to other rams. For those individuals that have rams that cross state line going from Idaho and returning there would be only a yearly test for *Brucella Ovis*. There would also be a 30 day temporary entry exemption for rams entering shows or passing through the state.

ASSISTANCE ON TECHNICAL QUESTIONS, MEETING ACCOMMODATIONS, SUBMISSION OF WRITTEN COMMENTS, OBTAINING DRAFT COPIES: For assistance on technical questions concerning this negotiated rulemaking, requests for special meeting accommodations or accessibility, or to obtain a preliminary draft copy of the rule text (if available), contact Brandy Kay, (208) 334-3115. Materials pertaining to the negotiated rulemaking, including any available preliminary rule drafts, can be found on the Idaho Sheep and Goat Health Board/IWGA website at the following web address: <https://sites.google.com/view/idahowool/home>.

DATED this 6th day of July, 2017.

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