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ISDA INVITES PUBLIC TO COMMENT ON USDA'S NATIONAL ANIMAL IDENTIFICATION STRATEGIC PLANNING DOCUMENTS

The Idaho State Department of Agriculture invites Idahoans to submit comments to the U.S. Department of Agriculture for its National Animal Identification System (NAIS) draft strategic plan and program standards.

"Idaho is one of the leading states participating in animal identification, and so we hope Idahoans will use this opportunity to give the USDA feedback about the program," said ISDA's new Animal Identification Coordinator, Misti Lockie. The comment period was recently extended to July 6, 2005.

The draft strategic plan and draft program standards, in addition to information on how to submit comments, can be found online at <http://www.usda.gov/nais>.

Though comments on any issues pertaining to the two documents will be considered, there are certain topics on which USDA would particularly like to solicit feedback from the public. These topics are outlined in the Advance Copy of Notice of Availability, which is also published on the website mentioned above.



For additional information on Animal Identification in Idaho, access <http://www.agri.idaho.gov>

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