ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE	<u>DIVISION/</u> PROGRAM ASD
DIRECTOR'S ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER	DAO 24-03
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CVI RESTRICTIONS RELATED TO INFLUENZA A (H5N1) DETECTION IN DAIRY CATTLE	<b>10-17 -2024</b> DATE

## 1. PURPOSE

As of 10/17/2024, the Influenza A (H5N1) outbreak in dairy cattle has spread to involve 14 states and a total of 300 premises. USDA issued a Federal Order effective on 4/29/2024 requiring that all lactating dairy cattle shall require a negative Influenza A test no more than 7 days prior to interstate movement. In order to protect the Arizona dairy and poultry industry, the State Veterinarian advised the Director to levy additional import restrictions to ensure a sample of non-lactating animals from an imported cohort are negative on INFLUENZA PCR testing of nasal swabs. This testing is for interstate animal movement and importation of dairy cattle into Arizona to licensed dairy premises.

## 2. AUTHORITY

A.R.S. Section 3-1203 - General powers and duties; civil penalties A.R.S. Section 3-1205(A) - Control of animal disease; violation; classification A.A.C. R3-2-606 - Certificate of Veterinary Inspection

## 3. ORDER

In addition to the testing requirements for interstate movement of lactating dairy cattle as outlined in the Federal Order, all non-lactating dairy cattle of any age destined for importation to a licensed Arizona dairy premises must comply with additional testing requirements as follows:

- i) Similar to the Federal Order, groups of non-lactating animals of 30 or less will require all animals to have a nasal swab sample collected by an Accredited Veterinarian and submitted for INFLUENZA PCR testing at the state or regional NAHLN lab. Groups of 31 or more animals will require a selection of 30 animals to be tested as described above. All animals in a test cohort and on the same CVI must be from the same group of animals that has been assembled and housed together for at least 30 days prior to sample collection.
- ii) Similar to the Federal Order for lactating animals, collection of nasal swab

samples and submission to the designated laboratory, documentation of all negative PCR test results on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) and issuance of the CVI and shipment of the cattle to the destination state (Arizona) must occur within that 7-day period from the date of sample collection. The CVI will **only** be valid for that 7-day period.

- iii) All dairy cattle imported to licensed dairy premises in Arizona should be quarantined from the main herd for a period not less than 21 days with designated personnel and equipment that is not used in the daily care and maintenance of the main herd.
- iv) Non-lactating dairy cattle imported direct to slaughter (that is **directly** from the point of origin to a state or federally inspected slaughter facility in Arizona), consigned to a terminal feedlot, or from a closed-herd within a production system that has dairy facilities in Arizona as part of that production system are exempt from the additional testing requirements.

## 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

This order is effective 10/17/2024.