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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the New Mexico Livestock Board (NMLB) will hold an in-person and video/telephonic rulemaking hearing on June 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 Meeting Room 4A. The hearing will be held via an in-person and virtual format. Instructions on how to join the virtual rulemaking hearing will be posted on the NMLB's website, www.nmlbonline.com.

The NMLB will consider proposed new Rules. The purpose of the proposed rules adoption is to provide NMLB regulatory authority over the In-State Meat and Poultry Inspection Program. See generally 21.33.2.1 through 21.33.2.8 NMAC to TITLE 21, AGRICULTURE AND RANCHING; CHAPTER 33, ABATTOIRS, MEAT DEALERS AND STORAGE PLANTS; PART 2 FOOD SAFETY, MEAT AND POULTRY INSPECTION.

Full copies of text of the proposed new rules can be obtained from the agency's website at www.nmlbonline.com. To request a copy of the proposed rule by mail, contact the NMLB at (505)841-6161. Visit www.nmlbonline for instructions on how to attend the virtual public hearing.

Interested persons may submit written comments on the proposed Rules 21.32.2.1 through 21.33.2.8 NMAC at www.nmlbonline.com or individuals may mail written comments to: NMLB/Rule Comments, 2105 Osuna Rd NE Building South, Albuquerque, NM 87113. Comments are due by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, June 10, 2022. The final proposed rules will be voted on by the Board during the public hearing on Monday, June 13, 2022. Interested persons may also provide data, views or arguments, orally or in writing, at the in-person and virtual public rule hearing to be held on June 13, 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at the Ruidoso Convention Center 111 Sierra Blanca Drive, Ruidoso, NM 88345 Meeting Room 4A. All written comments will be posted on the agency's website within three (3) days of receipt.

Legal authority for this rulemaking can be found in the Livestock Code 77-2-7, et seq. NMSA 1978; Livestock Board's power to establish rules and regulations 77-2-7, et seq. NMSA 1978.

If you are an individual with a disability who is in need of a reader, amplifier, qualified sign language interpreter, or any other form of auxiliary aid or service to attend or participate in the hearing or meeting, please contact the agency at (505) 841-6161 at least one week prior to the meeting or as soon as possible. Public documents, including the agenda and minutes, can be provided in various accessible formats. Please contact the NMLB at (505) 841-6161 if a summary or other type of accessible format is needed.