

To Whom It May Concern:

The official order creating a Designated Surveillance Area (DSA) presented by the State Veterinarian and approved by the Board of Livestock on January 13, 2010, is an unfunded mandate. The approval of the DSA is a creation of a new program, with no end date, that goes against state statute requiring the Department of Livestock and the State Veterinarian to protect the entire livestock industry and to eradicate disease. Livestock producers within the DSA receive no protection from disease transmission and are subject to rules and regulations for detection with no guaranteed funding source. The DSA provides no attempt to eradicate disease. The DSA is a punitive action against livestock producers based on geography, subjecting those same producers to unfair market leverage.

Respectfully Submitted,

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