

NAIS Bison Working Group

Presented by Lance Kuck, Nebraska bison producer, representing the National Bison Association

The Bison Working Group presented no new recommendations but will be making modifications in the near future. These issues will center on “confidentiality” and on how the various Native American tribes implement NAIS. Most of the Bison Working Group’s recommendations follow those made by the Cattle Working Group.

In total there are about 300,000 bison grown both domestically and in the wild.

The National Bison Association has a certification program that is expected to have approximately 30,000 animals enrolled by fall weaning. In that program, “traceability is an accomplished fact,” according to Kuck.

Summary by Gale Johnson, *NIAA Communications Director*