Livestock Inspection

Livestock Inspection Bureau
Animal Industry Division
Utah Dept. of Agriculture & Food
The Livestock Inspection Program is designed to deny a market to potential thieves & to detect the true owners of livestock.

It is the mission of the Livestock Inspection Bureau to provide service to the livestock men and women of the state, in an effort to protect the livestock industry from theft and disease.
In 2012, The bureau noticed an upward trend in the number of missing livestock and missing livestock reports.

There was also a downward trend in the number of inspections being completed by inspectors.
Reevaluate

What is the goal of the program?
- Collect Fees
- Inspect livestock
- Protect the Livestock industry and producers

How do we reach that goal?
- Back to basics
- Like it is the beginning and we are announcing our arrival
The Bureau decided to take a more proactive approach to our job

- Educational Courses and Seminars
- Statewide Surveillance Plans
- Having a presence at POE, Rodeos, Shows, etc.
- Enforcement
Education

- Sent letters to associations, clubs, rescues, law enforcement, and other entities that deal with livestock.
- The inspectors continue to take on any educational opportunity.
- Rodeo and show policy that educated contestants and producers of the state brand and health laws
- Increased interaction with Sheriff’s Departments in the State.
Identifiable Presence
Surveillance

In an effort to protect the livestock industry in our state, The Utah Department of Agriculture has adopted a surveillance program. A Brand Inspector was recently in the area helping to protect both property and animals. You can help us in this effort by reporting any suspicious activities to the local sheriff department or by contacting the local inspector:

LIVESTOCK INSPECTOR
DUSTIN LEMON
435-630-1507

Utah Department of Agriculture
Animal Identification & Theft Protection
Enforcement

- 65 citations written in 4 year period

- Most people, especially producers are willing to follow the law if they know how to and why.

- There was no need to due a huge Enforcement push, but just enough to have people know that it is out there
## Inspection Numbers

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Almost 600,000 individual cattle, horses, sheep, and elk.

over 23,000 inspection certificates issued

2016

833,036 total head inspected

816,132 cattle; 13,873 horses; 3,031 elk; 15,006 sheep
Missing Livestock

- 2013: 31 reports, 728 head,
- 2014: 51 total reports, 376 total head
- 2015: 43 Total reports; 253 head reported missing
  - A 66% drop in missing livestock since 2013.
- 2016: 37 reports of missing livestock for a total of 361 head, 24 reports of cattle for 155 head; 7 reports of horses, total 9 head, 2 report of sheep, 170 head; 1 report of goats, 27 head.
add full time people in strategic places, where missing livestock reports were higher than normal across the state

Increase our training and equipment to better handle the evolving livestock trade and theft industries.

POST certify officers to better assist with theft investigations.