Zoonotic Disease/Adverse Health Events Report from Wyoming Regional Veterinary Public Health Coordinators For Week Ending 3/16/2012

(Based on Reporting from 44 Veterinary Clinics and Other Sources)

Matthew Cherni, DVM- Region 1 (Sheridan, Johnson, Campbell, Crook, Weston)

Campbell County- The Gillette Police Department/Animal Control reported five dog bite incidents. All dogs were current on rabies vaccinations and were home quarantined. Circumstances surrounding some of the incidents included a child bitten on the face during play with the family dog, two individuals bitten while breaking up dog fights, and an individual bitten after accidentally stepping on the family dog.

Weston County-The Newcastle Police Department/Animal Control and a health care provider reported on the veterinary clinic quarantine of an unvaccinated dog that had bitten a child.

Richard Schwahn, DVM- Region 2 (Natrona, Converse, Niobrara)

Natrona County-A veterinary clinic reported a canine methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus intermedius* case.

Converse County-Health care providers reported on two individuals bitten by dogs in separate incidents. One individual was bitten while trying to help a dog that had been hit by a car. The dog has not been located for quarantine. The bite victim was counseled regarding rabies PEP. In the second incident an individual was bitten by the family dog. Animal control information is pending.

Niobrara County-A health care provider reported on a vaccinated dog that bit an individual. The dog will be home quarantined

David Evertson, DVM- Region 3 (Carbon, Albany)

Albany County-The Laramie Police Department/Animal Control reported on an individual attacked by a running-at-large dog. The individual was not bitten but the dog owner was issued a citation.

Paul Jensen, DVM, MPH- Region 4 (Sweetwater, Lincoln, Uinta)

Sweetwater County-The Green River Police Department/Animal Control and a health care provider reported on an individual bitten while trying to break up a dog fight. The running-at-large dog that initiated the fight was located and will be quarantined. The Rock Springs Police Department/Animal Control reported on a vaccinated dog that bit a child on the face. The dog was quarantined at the Shelter at the request of the dog owner. Also reported was an incident where an individual was bitten by a running-at-large dog. The bite victim was attempting to capture the dog at the time of the incident. The dog will be Shelter quarantined. The Sweetwater County Sheriff's Office/Animal Control reported three dog bite incidents. None of the dogs were current on rabies vaccinations and will be quarantined at veterinary clinics.

Circumstances surrounding two of the incidents included an individual bitten while breaking up a dog fight and an individual bitten by a running-at-large dog.

Uinta County- A health care provider reported on the home quarantine of a puppy that had bitten an individual during play. The puppy will be home quarantined. The Evanston Animal Control Shelter reported the quarantine of a dog that had bitten an individual. The bite victim was attempting to extricate the dog from a fence at the time of the incident.

Jim Summers, DVM- Region 5 (Fremont, Sublette, Teton, WRIR)

Sublette County-A veterinarian reported on a dog with heartworms that had previously lived in Alabama.

Teton County-A beaver with tularemia was reported.

Tim Graham, DVM- Region 6 (Park, Hot Springs, YNP, Big Horn, Washakie)

Nothing to Report

Gary Norwood, DVM- Region 7 (Laramie, Platte, Goshen, WAFB)

Laramie County-WSVL and WPHL reported on a bovine *Campylobacter jejuni* case (B2481). Cheyenne and Laramie County Animal Control reported three bite incidents. Two of the incidents involved cat bites to humans and there was one incident where an individual was bitten by a dog. The cats were of unknown vaccination status and were quarantined at the Shelter. The dog was current on rabies vaccinations but was quarantined at the Shelter because of the owner's inability to properly do a home quarantine.

WGFD-Wyoming Game and Fish Department WSVL-Wyoming State Veterinary Laboratory WPHL-Wyoming Public Health Laboratory PFGE- Pulse Field Gel Electrophoresis PEP-Rabies Post Exposure Prophylaxis