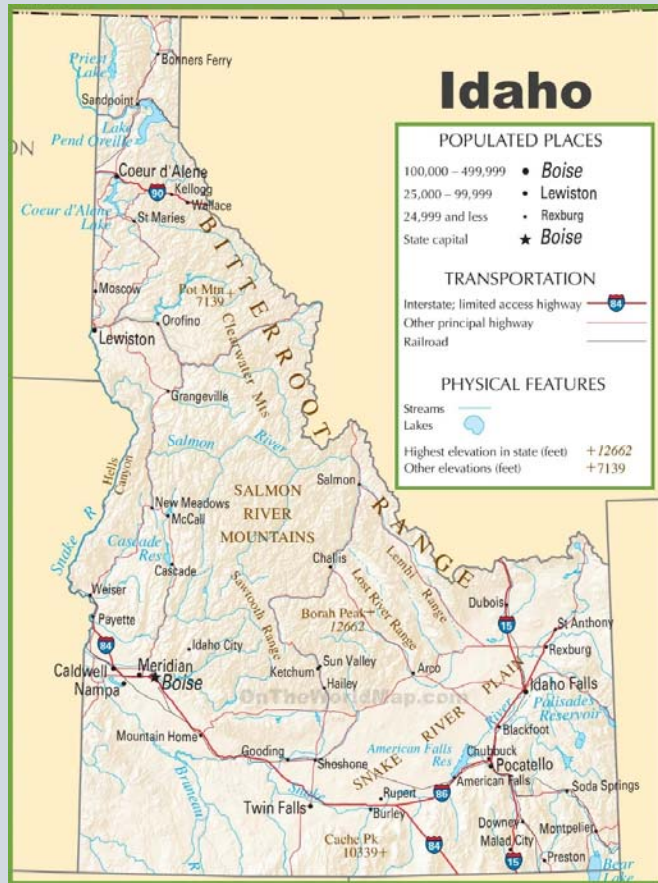




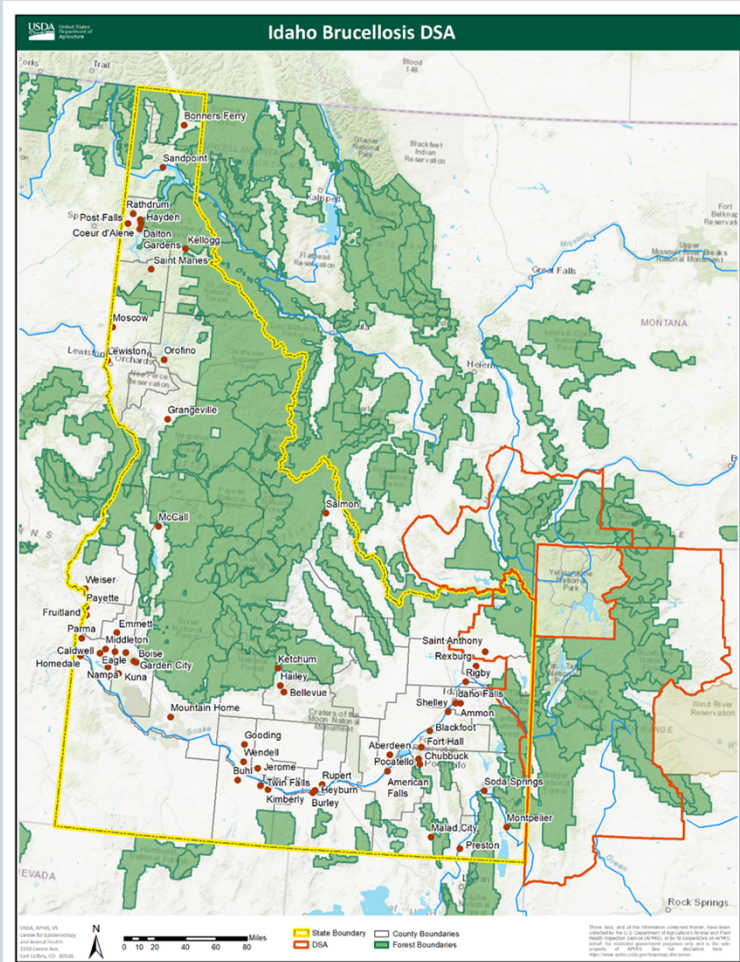
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Idaho Program Review

1. Thanks to Drs. Barton and Gaborick
2. Excellent cooperation and transparency, this process is working well. USDA pleased
3. As you can see, ID DSA is much smaller than other GYA state DSAs.
4. Difficult to compare Brand inspection records with tests performed
5. Need to lower minimum testing age to 12 months to equal other GYA states and prevent heifers from moving w/o a test.
6. Finalize MOU
7. Need to keep funding support for testing
8. Increase wildlife surveillance if possible



5 Main Objectives

1. Review the Adequacy of Idaho's Brucellosis Rules to Prevent the Spread of Brucellosis Beyond the DSA
2. Assess the Enforcement of Brucellosis-related Rules (Identification, Livestock Markets, Dealers and Slaughter Plant(s))
3. Assess Cattle Surveillance, Diagnostics/Laboratory Capability, and Producer Education in Place to Support the Program
4. Wildlife Surveillance and Mitigation
5. Evaluate DSA Boundaries, Testing, and Movement Restrictions for Overall Effectiveness



Specific Recommendations

1. Develop a method to monitor, enforce, and report the testing of animals leaving the DSA to ensure compliance with rules and regulations, including the number tested on a herd-level basis. Reporting should occur annually, at a minimum.
2. Create a system that reconciles brand inspection data with animal testing data to easily demonstrate proper surveillance.
3. Implement a formal notification system of ISDA for animals leaving the DSA that require a test.

Key Recommendations

4. Develop written guidelines based on specific criteria for defining DSA boundaries.
5. Categorize DSA herds into high-, medium-, and low-risk categories. Identify where risk occurs and which herds are on herd plans based on risk level. Continue to target high-risk herds for participation in formal herd plans.
6. Continue State or Federal reimbursement for brucellosis testing for all test-eligible animals moving out of the DSA and support diagnostic abortion testing at IAHL.

Key Recommendations

7. Reduce minimum testing age within the DSA to 12 months from current 18 months.
8. Maintain or increase elk surveillance to better enact wildlife management strategies to decrease prevalence, when necessary.
9. Increase the length of market, feedlot, and dealer Records Retention in Idaho statutes to match 9 CFR.
10. Finalize the memorandum of understanding (MOU) between APHIS and ISDA and review it annually.



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Questions?

