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Summary Sheet – Results-Based Programs

Food Safety and Consumer Protection – 4 sections: Dairy, Meat Inspection, Animal Health and Consumer Protection

Dairy Section – Example

- How much did we do? Dairy Farm Inspections- 2,318; Processing facilities - 315 plant inspections
- How well did we do it? – 13 Notices of Violations, 6 hearings, and 10 penalties
- Is anyone better off? –Farm inspection program by the dairy section allows unprocessed milk from farms to move across state borders for further processing. Dairy processing facility inspection program allows manufactured dairy products to be sold into any market both domestic and foreign. Economic impact of dairy industry on VT \$2 billion per year.

Meat Inspection – Example

- How much did we do?
 - 2,107,485 lbs. of red meat and poultry products processed at state inspected processing establishments, as reported by the establishments
 - 926 days of inspection at 14 state inspected establishments
 - 1,927 meat and/or poultry handlers licensed to buy, sell, prepare, process, pack, store, transport or otherwise handle meat and poultry
 - 830 compliance and enforcement inspections at retail establishments
 - 132 sanitation reviews at custom slaughter and processing facilities
- How well did we do it?
 - 58 Consumer concerns reported to the Agency
 - 853 pounds of contaminated, adulterated, misbranded or uninspected meat & poultry products were detained & removed from commerce in VT
 - 15 notices of warning were issued
 - 3 violation cases of uninspected products being distributed were transferred to USDA FSIS
- Is anyone better off? Inspected meat from slaughter through retail protects public health and opens markets for Vermont livestock producers.

Animal Health – Example

- How much did we do?
 - Foreign Animal Disease Investigations: 2
 - Pullorum tests performed: 876

- Avian influenza tests performed: 361
- Tuberculosis test submissions for cattle, sheep, alpaca, and goats reviewed for compliance: 2,673
- Comparative Cervical Tests for tuberculosis performed: 19
- Brucellosis test submissions for cattle, sheep, alpaca, and goats reviewed for compliance: 2,073
- Brucellosis vaccinations charts reviewed for compliance: 230
- Chronic Wasting Disease test samples collected: 46
- How well did we do it?
 - Compliance Activity: 5 Notices of violation and 25 letters of warning.
 - Quarantine of 16 premises
- Is anyone better off? Animal disease can have an adverse effect on humans. Testing for animal diseases can be the first indicator of human disease issues.

Consumer Protection – Example

- How much did we do? Inspections Performed:
 - 6,059 - Motor Fuel Dispensers (gas pumps etc.) Locations
 - 10,675 Unit Prices Checked (Retail Scanners) *1,784 -Small Scales
 - 516 - Vehicle Tank Meter Companies (heating oil)
 - 178 - Heavy Duty Scales (weighing asphalt)
- How well did we do it? 21 Notices of Violation, 2 Assurances of Discontinuance and 30 penalties
- Is anyone better off? Consumer protection ensures Vermonters are getting what they pay for – a gallon of gas, a pound of meat, a ton of asphalt for road repair and the scanners in stores are accurate.

Agricultural Development

Farm to School – Example

- How much did we do? Farm to School Grants to Schools, VT Farm to School Network and CDC Funding for Farm to School
- How well did we do it?
 - 5 schools funded with implementation grants between \$7,500 and \$16,000
 - 4 schools with planning grants at \$5,000 each
 - 3 regional meetings of the Farm to School network
 - CDC funding expanding regional support for Farm to School programing, technical assistance and evaluation
- Is anyone better off? More school children can benefit from fresh locally produced produce and farmers can access a local market for their produce.

Agricultural Resource Management

Water Quality – Example

- How much did we do?
 - 213 farms applied to the FAP Program in FY2013 (13 LFOs, 78 MFOs, & 122 SFOs)
 - 20,969 acres of practices were implemented with \$436,814 of program funds administered in FY2013
- How well did we do it? Water Quality Compliance
 - Corrective Action Letters – 14 (3MFO, 11 SFO)
 - Cease and Desist Orders – 2 (SFO)
 - Cases referred to Attorney General Office – 1
 - Notices of Violation with penalty 24 (1 LFO, 22 MFO, 1 SFO)
 - Assurance of Discontinuance – 2 (MFO)
 - Final Orders – 2 (MFO)
- Is anyone better off? Water quality is a focus for many Vermonters. Continued vigilance is required.

Enforcement and Compliance – Example

- How much did we do? Land Use Related Activities - Farming/Farm Structure determinations - 15, Construction of Farm structures in Floodplain - 3
- How well did we do it? Farm Structure Variances - 18
- Is anyone better off? Land Use questions continue to increase at the Agency as agriculture changes to include more innovative value added activities. Variances assist valued added agricultural activities to meet local and state regulatory requirements.

Pesticide Program – Example

- How much did we do?
 - 569 private & 1,065 commercial applicators (733 commercial, 135 non-commercial, & 197 government) holding valid certificates
 - 39 Class A Dealers, 165 Class B Dealers holding valid pesticide dealer licenses
 - Class A Dealers are licensed to sell Restricted-Use products & class B Dealers are licensed to sell outdoor use products in VT.
- How well did we do it? Pesticide Enforcement Actions
 - Letters of Warning – 1
 - Cease and Desist orders – 8
 - Notices of Violation with administrative penalty – 5
 - Assurance of discontinuance – 1
 - Final Order – 1
 - License suspension – 1

- Is anyone better off? In calendar year 2013 and beginning of 2014 – Agency in conjunction with Department of Health has been involved in major investigation and clean-up of a pesticide misuse case in Rutland area.

Mosquito Control – Example

- How much did we do?
 - Mosquito Survey and arbovirus control – extensive survey & sampling efforts in FY13 & after, ongoing throughout 2013 season
 - Resting box trap sites, 31 towns in 5 counties
 - Identified 32,727 mosquitos – 32 species
 - 2013 – 1,338 mosquito pool samples tested
 - Identified 27 West Nile Virus samples
 - Identified 22 Eastern Equine Encephalitis samples
- Surveyed moose and deer hunting season for EEE antibodies in serum – collected 700 blood samples
- How well did we do it? 2 aerial applications of mosquito adulticide on 8,000 acres in Addison and Rutland counties 8/22/2013 and 8/27/2013
- Is anyone better off? Increased surveillance of mosquito population & technical assistance to mosquito control districts working to control human health issues