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## TAHC Adopts Fever Tick Vaccine at May Commission Meeting

AUSTIN, TX – The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) held a regularly scheduled Commission meeting on May 24, 2016, at its headquarters in Austin.

The following rule adoption will become effective on June 15, 2016.

### **Chapter 41, Fever Ticks, Fever Tick Vaccine**

This newly adopted rule will add the fever tick vaccine requirements for beef cattle in quarantine areas and clarifies the different requirements for dipping, treatment, and vaccination.

To view the details of the passed rule visit <http://www.tahc.texas.gov/regs/code.html>

The following rule amendment was proposed:

### **Chapter 47, Authorized Personnel, CWD Authorized Personnel Requirements:**

The proposed rule will clarify that *only* Certified CWD Veterinarians may collect antemortem (live animal) CWD samples. Non-veterinarians may *only* collect postmortem CWD samples. As such, the commission proposes to change the title of such individuals from "Certified CWD Sample Collector" to "Certified CWD Postmortem Sample Collector." The proposed rule also includes the requirements for Certified CWD Veterinarians.

The TAHC began accepting public comments for the proposal on June 10, 2016. The deadline for comment submissions on the proposed amendment is July 11, 2016. Complete details of the rule proposal are available on the TAHC website at <http://www.tahc.texas.gov/regs/proposals.html>

The TAHC encourages and appreciates all comments. Comments on the proposed amendment must be submitted in writing to Amanda Bernhard, Texas Animal Health Commission, 2105 Kramer Lane, Austin, Texas 78758, by fax at (512) 719-0719, or by email to [comments@tahc.texas.gov](mailto:comments@tahc.texas.gov).

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