

US SHIP UPDATE

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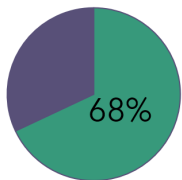
US SHIP EXCEEDS 60% ENROLLMENT!

Engagement and enrollment in US SHIP continues to grow with expanded awareness and appreciation for the potential benefits of a certification program within our US swine industry. With the addition of Delaware and West Virginia, there are now 33 states participating in US SHIP!

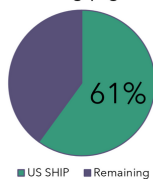
We have also exceeded our initial milestone enrollment targets with over 61% of the US growing pig inventory and 68% of the breeding herd inventory enrolled as of July 2023!

These enrollment numbers comprise over 10,800 producers, packer, and live animal marketing sites enrolled sites in US SHIP, a great accomplishment after a little more than one year of enrollment!

US Breeding herd (%)



US Growing pig herd (%)



GOVERNANCE & THE PATHWAY TO A CODIFIED FEDERAL PROGRAM

The General Conference Committee (GCC) working group commissioned at last year's HOD has established clear guidance for an elected 9 member GCC beginning with elections at next month's HOD. The GCC working group has also provided language and guidance to the USDA for the codification process which is targeted for late 2024 resulting in formal USDA recognition for US SHIP. Finally, the GCC working group has 3 proposed new standards and 1 resolution for consideration at HOD 2023, including:

- **PS 2023-1 Establishment of the US SHIP Technical Committee**
Delegates will be voting to approve a standing technical committee with biosecurity, traceability, and surveillance sub-committees modelled after NPIP.
- **PS 2023-2 Percent Vote To Pass or Amend Program Standard at US SHIP House of Delegates**
Currently, to adopt a new program standard or resolution, requires >50% of the delegates votes. Acknowledging that program standards have significant implications to the national swine industry, delegates will be voting to require > 2/3 (66.67%) approval for future standards with resolutions remaining at >50% for approval.
- **PS 2023-5 US SHIP Official State Agencies (US SHIP OSA) requirement to report and keep the status of the US SHIP certifications held by the participating sites current in the US SHIP Site Status Verification Database.**
Will require OSA's to submit the PIN for all SHIP enrolled & certified sites in their states to allow for an easily accessible way to verify the current list of certified sites. Detailed information (address etc.) will NOT be shared in the database and will remain with the OSA.
- **Res 2023-2 Establishment of a US SHIP Exhibition Swine Working Group that centers on developing a well-informed and sustainable (long-term) strategy for engaging and encouraging participation among the exhibition swine community.**
Proposed formation of a new working group focused on outreach, awareness, and engagement strategies for the exhibition swine segment of our industry. Having all sectors of the swine industry engaged in US SHIP is critical and this group will target increasing participation of the exhibition swine sector.



TECHNICAL WORKING GROUP UPDATE

The initial development of technical requirements or standards for the US SHIP program have been derived from working group activities centered around biosecurity, traceability, and surveillance. The technical working groups made up of producers, packers, state and federal officials, and other subject matter experts have been hard at work implementing the resolutions approved at the 2022 HOD with proposed standards and resolutions for your consideration at the 2023 HOD business meeting.



TRACEABILITY WORKING GROUP

Daniel Boykin (Smithfield Foods), Giovanni Trevisan (Iowa State University), James Lowe (University of Illinois), Erin Lowe (Lowe Consulting)

- Review of swine traceability programs comparison/contrast in other pork exporting countries
- PS 2023-3 Inter-premises Swine Movement Records: Eliminating "Head in Movement"
 - Remove the number of head in each shipment recorded in live animal movement records unless there is a regulatory reason to include it. (To limit industry concerns about sharing detailed business confidential information).
- PS 2023-4 Inter-premises Semen Movement Records: Eliminating "Number of Units in Shipment"
 - Remove the number of semen units in each shipment recorded in live animal movement records unless there is a regulatory reason to include it. (Same as above)
- Res 2023-1 Utilization of a "US SHIP Compliant Repository of Inter-Premises Swine Movement Records" for Capturing Movement Records of Swine Being Moved Interstate for Further Growing, Breeding, or Exhibition in Near Real-Time Across a Number of US States.
 - Implement a pilot project with several priority states with high numbers of interstate movements utilizing a repository that captures movement records (compliant with US SHIP program standards) of swine moving for the purposes of further breeding, growing, or exhibition in near-real time. The repository will require a managing entity to provide support to all users and would propose the formation of a collaborative working group between the US SHIP traceability working group, National Pork Board, and state animal health officials to build a module within the AgView™ database application (developed by NPB) to be used in the pilot project.

BIOSECURITY WORKING GROUPS

Biosecurity Site Plans /Feral Pig Risk Mitigation:

Chris Rademacher (Iowa State University) and Montse Torremorell (University of Minnesota)

- RES 2023-3 Integration of Feral Swine Mitigation Plan into Secure Pork Supply Plan
 - Proposing formation of a new working group that to work directly with the NPB Secure Pork Supply (SPS) group to revise SPS resources to specifically address feral pig risk mitigation within the site biosecurity plan for pigs with outdoor access.

Feed Biosafety:

Jordan Gebhardt (Kansas State University)

- Update on literature review of further processing of porcine derived ingredients
- Update on pilot project for a responsible import program (Verified Feed Importer)

Transportation Sanitation:

Edison Magalhães (Iowa State University)

- Update on the live haul sanitation tracking to/from terminal markets pilot project.

SURVEILLANCE WORKING GROUP

Mike Paustian (Producer - IA) and Howard Hill (Producer - IA), Rodger Main (Iowa State University), Jane Christopher-Hennings (South Dakota State University), Jerry Torrison (Longhorn Vaccines and Diagnostics), and Jeff Zimmerman (Iowa State University)

- PS 2023-6 Incorporating Use of USDA ASF/CSF Active Surveillance of Case Compatible Submissions to Veterinary Diagnostic Labs into the US SHIP Program.
 - This proposed standard would link the current USDA ASF/CSF active surveillance of case compatible submissions to VDLs into US SHIP ASF/CSF Monitored peacetime surveillance. This update is to SHIP administrative procedures and does not infer any additional premisespecific "peacetime" sampling & testing requirements for participating sites. Also, this proposed update would not impact current standard practices used by submitting veterinarians nor US SHIP program participants in how they are routinely receiving information from VDLs.
- Res 2023-4 Developing a Pathway for Incorporating the USDA ASF/CSF Active Surveillance of Case Compatible Submissions to Veterinary Diagnostic Labs into US SHIP Sampling and Testing.
 - Proposed resolution to have the US SHIP Administration work with USDA Swine Health Staff, the National Animal Health Laboratory Network (NAHLN) staff, and Center for Epidemiology and Animal Health (CEAH) staff to establish a process for and begin reporting the number of samples and premises being tested for ASF/CSF as part of the current USDA Active Surveillance program (case-compatible samples submitted to a USDA NALHN lab) that are originating from US SHIP certified sites. Also, voting on the following detailed requirements of the resolution: this system be in place by April 1, 2024, so that there will be 6 months of data to share at the HOD 2024, the data be aggregated for the US and also the state level, and US SHIP administration works on industry outreach to increase awareness, understanding of the process, and participation in the USDA ASF/CSF Active Surveillance of US Swine

PROGRAM STANDARDS VS

RESOLUTIONS

Program standards are the producer and packer requirements to become certified in US SHIP.

Resolutions are recommendations for future work such as pilot projects, research projects or specified working groups.

Program standards and resolutions are required to be submitted in advance of the HOD and are discussed and then voted on by all voting delegates at the HOD business meeting.

CONTACT INFO

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HOUSE OF DELEGATES 2023

September 5 - 7 2023

Bloomington, MN

The official state agency's (OSA's) are responsible for registration, please confirm your registration and hotel reservation with your respective state's OSA.



ENROLL TODAY!

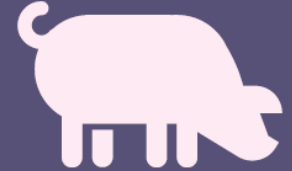
US SHIP encourages all pork producers and packers to enroll and be certified to help ensure the viability of their businesses and the U.S. pork industry in the event of disease outbreak. Many of the program standards incorporate things you are already doing on your farm or in your facility. Enrollment is simple.

ENROLLMENT PROCESS:

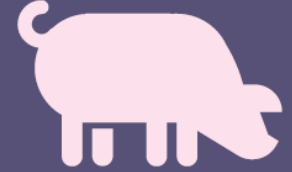
1. Contact your Official State Agency (OSA) to get the correct State-specific forms
2. Complete your forms and submit the biosecurity survey

NEXT STEPS:

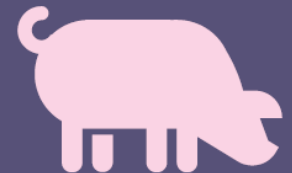
3. Pursue certification
 - a) You don't have to be ready for certification to enroll in US SHIP. You can bring your facility up to "compliance" in preparation for certification after enrollment
 - b) Access the list of program standards on the website:
www.usswinehealthimprovementplan.com
4. Stay engaged in the process
 - a) Consider participating in the House of Delegates
 - b) Keep the information updated with the OSA



Contact OSA about State-specific enrollment process



Complete enrollment forms and submit biosecurity survey



Pursue certification by meeting the program standards



Stay engaged in the process



US SWINE HEALTH IMPROVEMENT PLAN



ASF-CSF MONITORED CERTIFICATION

"A PROVEN PLATFORM FOR SAFEGUARDING, CERTIFYING, AND BETTERING ANIMAL HEALTH"