

RLA IWG Animal Welfare Task Group
Meeting #2

August 7, 2018

Agenda:

1. Review previous meeting
2. Animal Welfare framework
3. Discussion

Keep in consideration that we are talking about all regions – not just North America!

Traceability is extremely limited – AU/NZ/Europe/Canada/Argentina only

AW Framework:

Must meet baseline requirements to make a claim; beyond is something we recommend (a suggestion); best is to recognize that they are going beyond

How do we determine which level to assign? Do they need to meet 100%, or a minimum?

What if a standard is missing in just one module?

What if the standard/auditing is not sufficient?

Public-facing analysis of the standards, might prompt them to address things where they are lacking?

- Maybe communicate with them carefully to begin with

Proposed RLA IWG: Baseline / Beyond / Best – comments on this??

- ZDHC uses Foundational / Progressive / Aspirational

Important to address deprivation periods

- From an AW perspective it is important, not sure if it would work from an auditing perspective
- Not required, but will be recommended

Discussion on Feedlots

- Set up a call to discuss broader representation from the supply chain and research.

Living environment/outdoors (pasture)