**Siskiyou County Livestock Pass**

**DRAFT Communications Flowchart for EMERGENCY RESPONDERS**

**Q: What is the Livestock Pass?**

A: The Livestock Pass is a permit issued to approved commercial livestock operators before a disaster strikes. Pass holders have been approved by the county and attended a training program. For the purposes of this program, a commercial livestock operator is defined as an owner of ≥50 head of livestock or ≥50 beehives.

**Q: Why is this program necessary?**

***A:*** Evacuating livestock from commercial ranching operations may not be possible during a disaster−sheltering-in-place may be the best and safest alternative. The Livestock Pass identifies commercial livestock operators to emergency responders at roadblocks so ranchers can access their property and provide feed, water, medical treatment, and other care to livestock sheltering in place*.*

**Q: How does it work?**

A: See flow chart below

**Disaster strikes: Livestock behind evacuation lines**

Commercial livestock are behind evacuation lines.

**Notification**

Livestock Pass holders will contact UCCE or Ag Dept. and request to use their pass.

**Coordination**

**UCCE or Ag. Dept. contacts agency liaison** (e.g., CALFIRE, USFS) and requests access for pass holder(s).

If necessary, **UCCE/Animal Control contact will attend EOC briefings** to communicate: 1) needs of pass holders, and/or; 2) program overview to new emergency responders/teams.

**Pass Access: Evaluation + Granting**

Agency in charge will evaluate safety and determine if pass holders can gain access.

If access is granted, UCCE/Ag Dept. will notify pass holders. Agency liaison will notify EOC so that rancher entry/exit can be tracked.

**Roadblock**

Driver will provide their pass at specified roadblock.

Enter and exit from the same roadblock each day.

**\*\*Removing Livestock\*\***

If pass holder plans to remove livestock via stock trailer or semitruck, they will coordinate with UCCE or Ag. Dept. so emergency services at roadblocks can be informed and theft prevented.

