

## Alberta TB Case Update – April 13, 2017

- Roughly 44 premises remain under quarantine. This represents approximately 8,500 animals
- To date there are still only six confirmed cases of bovine TB (including the original cow found in the U.S.)
  - All six confirmed cases are the same strain of bovine TB
- Thirty sites have been released from quarantine including low risk trace-out feedlot cattle, fenceline contact herds, and some trace-out herds
- The bulk of trace-out herds have been identified and tested
- Preliminary laboratory testing of all current samples should be completed very shortly, however, culture results will take significantly longer to complete
- To date, all culture results have been negative
- Due to upcoming calving season, it is expected that the bulk of trace-in testing will occur in the fall of 2017. Trace-in cattle are the lowest risk category, as they are presumed to have the same TB status as the rest of the Canadian herd
- There are no restrictions on the movement or sale of animals from herds on early release from quarantine including shipping to feedlots or immediate slaughter
- Further information is available at [www.albertabeef.org](http://www.albertabeef.org) or <http://www.inspection.gc.ca/animals/terrestrial-animals/diseases/reportable/tuberculosis/investigation-se-alberta-and-sw-saskatchewan/eng/1477438380160/1477438380659>