

UCD VET VIEWS
CALIFORNIA CATTLEMEN'S MAGAZINE
SEPTEMBER 2005

UPDATE ON THE CALIFORNIA TRICHOMONOSIS CONTROL PROGRAM

The California Trichomonosis Control Program began on September 20, 2003, about 2 years ago. The program has recently been reviewed by the Department of Food and Agriculture and at the California Cattlemen's Association mid-year meeting in Sacramento in July, additional policy was adopted regarding this program. Since the program began there have been 118 veterinarians certified (104 in California and 14 in Oregon) and 42 laboratories approved to process the samples. In the first year (2003-2004) 36 infected herds were identified (35 beef and 1 dairy herd). The CDFA notified about 4-6 neighboring potentially exposed herds for each infected herd. For the first 5 months of the second year of the program, 20 infected herds were identified (5 herds were repeat infections). Therefore the rate of infected herds identified in the second year is running about the same as for the first year.

John Maas, DVM, MS
Diplomate, ACVN & ACVIM
Extension Veterinarian
School of Veterinary Medicine
University of California, Davis