

VSI POLICY

Subject: ASB VSI program

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The County of Northern Lights
believes in providing assistance for livestock producers
who reside within the County to subsidize the cost of professional
veterinarian services through the participation in Veterinary Services
Incorporated (VSI).

Chief Elected Official

Chief Administrative Officer

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 To administer, protect and recognize the importance of providing subsidies to maintain professional veterinarian services within and around the County to bolster herd health.
- 1.2 To minimize effects of insects and diseases in livestock and promote early rapid detection of these pests. Such pest examples as warbles, black leg, foot and mouth disease and tuberculosis.

2.0 AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD RESPONSIBILITIES

- 2.1 Provide direction, supervision to VSI by appointing a representative and attending meetings.
- 2.2 Provide resources in the budget to support VSI.
- 2.3 Set the subsidy level for Schedule "A" services and will identify which services are not subsidized on Schedule "B". A limit can be placed on the amount of services in Schedule "A" as well.

3.0 AGRICULTURAL FIELDMAN RESPONSIBILITIES

- 3.1 Collect the necessary information from applicants to provide Council with a database of participating producers within the County
- 3.2 Act as a liaison between the County, VSI and the producers effectively administering the program.
- 3.3 Review quarterly reports sent by the VSI manager for accuracy.
- 3.4 Administer membership cards to County participants containing their membership number.
- 3.5 Act as an inspector for pest that harm livestock, such as warbles.