



# NEW WORLD SCREWWORM IN TEXAS

*What this means for livestock producers*



On June 3, 2026 the United States Department of Agriculture and Texas Animal Health Commission announced the detection of a single case of New World screwworm (NWS) in Zavala County, Texas. This case was in a three week old calf. No additional cases were detected in the herd.

The Texas Animal Health Commission immediately established an Infested Zone around the detection. No animal can leave this zone without inspection and treatment.

**NWS is not a  
food safety  
risk.**

## ANIMAL MOVEMENTS FROM TEXAS

- Movement to slaughter - **all animals moving directly to slaughter** must be inspected within 72 hours of movement.
- Movement of all other animals - **all animals leaving the Infested Zone** must be inspected within five days of movement and treated within 14 days of movement.
- Prior to this detection, UDAF did not require a health certificate for healthy dogs and cats entering Utah. UDAF is now **requiring a health certificate for all dogs and cats** imported to Utah from a state with an active Infested Zone or from foreign countries.

## STAY VIGILANT

- Livestock owners should know the signs of new world screwworm infestation.
- Immediately report any suspected cases to your veterinarian.
- Use the suspect reporting form on the UDAF website. Pictures and videos help UDAF to determine if further action is needed.

## MOVEMENTS TO TEXAS FROM UTAH

- There are no additional requirements for animals moving to Texas from Utah.
- Any animal that enters the Infested Zone must meet movement requirements prior to leaving the zone.

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## UDAF PREPARATION

UDAF staff have spent months preparing for the introduction of NWS, including coordination with other agencies and getting plans and supplies in place to rapidly respond to a detection. Please visit our website to learn more.