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Jennifer Jones  
Executive Director  
Sunset Advisory Committee

Dear Ms. Jones:

**Comment from Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service on Sunset Advisory Commission Staff Report, Texas Animal Health Commission, Recommendation 3.5:**

Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service stands ready to continue its positive working relationship with TAHC in serving livestock producers of Texas and enhance that relationship via Recommendation 3.5. Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will work with TAHC to develop a memorandum of understanding which will implement the Sunset Advisory Commission recommendation to jointly develop and coordinate educational programs and information about animal health and improve regulatory education resources.

**3.5 Direct TAHC and Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service to enter into a memorandum of understanding to jointly develop and coordinate educational programs and information about animal health.**

This recommendation would ensure TAHC and AgriLife have a formal agreement and planning process to jointly develop and deliver educational materials and information about animal health, animal disease and pest management, and animal health regulations. TAHC also would collaborate with AgriLife on improving the readability, content, and organization of the agency's regulatory education resources and materials. TAHC and AgriLife should develop and adopt the memorandum of understanding and provide copies to the Sunset Commission by March 1, 2021.

Thank you very much for this opportunity.

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