

# Secure Milk Supply (SMS) Plan Permitting Guidance for Managed Milk Movement of Raw Milk

**Target Audience:** Regulatory Officials

## **Background:**

Controlling movements is critical to prevent the spread of Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) from infected premises to non-infected premises. Movement control is accomplished through a permitting process, which allows products to move without creating an unacceptable risk of disease spread. It is the role of the responsible regulatory officials to determine what an acceptable level of risk is and what conditions are required to allow permitting. For dairy premises located within the Control Area during an FMD outbreak, permits may be required to move raw milk from operations meeting the monitored premises criteria to processing plants.

USDA Monitored Premises Definition:

[https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal\\_health/emergency\\_management/downloads/hpai/survsampling\\_controlarea\\_commercial.pdf](https://www.aphis.usda.gov/animal_health/emergency_management/downloads/hpai/survsampling_controlarea_commercial.pdf)

“Premises objectively demonstrate that it is not an Infected Premises, Contact Premises, or Suspect Premises. Only At-Risk Premises are eligible to become Monitored Premises. Monitored Premises meet a set of defined criteria in seeking to move susceptible animals or products out of the Control Area by permit.”

**Objective:** This document is designed to provide guidelines for permitting the movement of raw milk to processing to the responsible regulatory officials and permitting group during an FMD outbreak. This guidance document follows the permitting guidance developed and accepted by industry and regulators for the other secure food supply programs (e.g. Secure Egg Supply). These guidelines are based on proactive risk assessments and reflect the revised Biosecurity Performance Standards (BPS) developed through a collaboration of industry, government and academic partners in the development of a national Secure Milk Supply (SMS) plan.

This document is 1 of 4 guidance documents developed for managed milk movement. The other three include: Dairy Producer Guidance, Milk Hauler Guidance, and Milk Processor Guidance. These guidance documents are meant to be utilized together to allow for response planning, education and outreach and to provide stakeholders clear direction on steps to allow permitting under the SMS plan.

Information and conditions listed in this document are meant to outline the priority areas that could be listed on a permit. Conditions listed below are meant to be broad statements capturing the pieces needed to be met by each industry segment to allow for permitted movement following the national SMS plan. The details for each segment are further defined in the guidance documents for the Dairy Producer, Milk Hauler, and Milk Processor.

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## **Permit Guidance:**

Permits will be requested through a process established by the state. Each state should determine who is responsible for verifying and signing the movement permit. While this guidance document outlines broad conditions that should be met, each dairy producer, milk hauler or processing facility is responsible for the details to meet these conditions. Further details are found in the respective guidance documents.

The permit structure and format will be developed by the responsible regulatory officials. The following conditions should be met to allow the managed movement of raw milk under the SMS plan.

- Permit class (into, within or out of a Control Area)
- Date of Movement (duration/span) - from Permit Request
- Item Description and Class - from Permit Request
- Permit Reason – from Permit Request
- Origin Premises Location (Federal PIN) - from Permit Request
- Destination Premises Location (Federal PIN) - from Permit Request
- Origin Herd/Premises is classified as a Monitored Premises
- Ability for Origin Premises to record movements
- Origin Premises biosecurity processes are in place for milk loading and are acceptable to responsible regulatory officials
- Milk Hauler procedures and biosecurity processes are in place and acceptable to responsible regulatory officials
- Receiving/Processing plant (Destination Premises) has procedures and biosecurity in place and acceptable to responsible regulatory officials
- Truck route to processing is acceptable to responsible regulatory officials (if applicable)
- All interstate movements meet normal movement requirements in addition to these outbreak specific conditions

For more detailed information on Risk Assessments and Biosecurity Performance Standards users of this permitting guidance should refer to the SMS website at [www.securemilksupply.org](http://www.securemilksupply.org).

## **Risk Assessment for Movement of Milk without BPS Mitigations (Baseline):**

<http://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/176193>

## **Risk Assessment for Movement of Milk with BPS Mitigations (RA-BPS):**

<http://conservancy.umn.edu/handle/11299/178987>

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## ***Comments***

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