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## NDA SEEKING EXPERTS FOR LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT MATRIX COMMITTEE

LINCOLN - The Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) is seeking individuals who are interested in becoming members of the Livestock Development Matrix Committee, a group created through legislation in the 2015 session of the Nebraska Legislature.

Nebraska Agriculture Director Greg Ibach is asking those interested in serving on the Matrix Committee to submit a cover letter outlining their qualifications and resume to NDA by close of business Sept. 30, 2015.

The bill creating the committee, Legislative Bill 106, was signed by Gov. Pete Ricketts on May 27, 2015. The law charges the Nebraska Department of Agriculture with development of an assessment matrix that can be used by county government officials for siting livestock operations.

Under the law Director Ibach is to appoint a committee of experts, up to 10 members, to provide consultation during the development process. Representation must come from: county boards, county zoning administrators, livestock production agriculture, the University of Nebraska and others as determined by Ibach. Committee members, by law, must review the matrix annually and recommend changes to the Department, if needed.

The assessment matrix must be complete by Aug. 30, 2016.

Cover letters and resumes can be mailed to: Nebraska Department of Agriculture, Attn. Greg Ibach, P.O. Box 94947, Lincoln, NE 68509, or emailed to greg.ibach@nebraska.gov.

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