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Good morning.

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My name is Brad Deacon and I am the hearing officer for the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

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Today I'm conducting the public hearing on the proposed changes to rule five of the rules promulgated under the authority of the bodies of dead animals.

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For the record, the date is July 21st, 2023 and the time is 9:05 AM.

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We are conducting this hearing both in person here in the Theodore Ground conference room in Constitution Hall, 525 W Allegan St, Lansing, MI, and virtually using Microsoft Teams to allow for greater participation by interested parties across the state without having to drive to the Lansing area.

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Lansing area Please note that we are recording today's public hearing and generating a transcript of it through Microsoft Teams President today from the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development are Jamie Guardiola, Vanessa Maddox, Doctor Nora Weinman, director, Animal Industry division and state veterinarian Doctor Jennifer Calligaro and Jeff Shaner, also with the animal Industry Division department.

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Legal interns Kelly Lewis and Kayla Seeger are also present today on behalf of the Michigan Department of Agriculture and Rural Development.

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And its director, Doctor Boring, welcome to today's public hearing.

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We very much appreciate your interest and attendance today.

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This hearing is being conducted under authority provided to the department in the case of Dead Animals

Act in sections 15 and 27, being 287.665 and 287.677 of the Michigan compiled laws under section 15, the department shall promulgate rules regarding the methods and conditions for active composting of livestock mortality.

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Notice of this public hearing was published in the Michigan Register on July 15th, 2023 in issue #12 of 2023.

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The Eagle notices were published in the Bay City Times on June 20th.

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The Holland Sentinel on June 21st and the Escanaba Daily Press on June 23rd notice was also posted on the department's website.

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On June 15th, 2023, this hearing is being recorded and the transcript will be generated.

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Copies of the proposed amendments to Rule 5 from the bodies of their Animals Act rules, as well as the regulatory impact statement and the cost benefit analysis developed by the department, are available from the department and have been posted on the website for the Michigan Office of Administrative Hearings and Rules.

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Written comments must be received by the close of business on Wednesday, July 26th, 2023 until 5:00 PM if anyone has written comments but has not yet sent them, you may raise your hand in the virtual room and I will provide the email address, fax number for US mailing address as I asked that everyone in attendance who wishes to speak in today's public hearing, Please note so if you were in the room or raise your hand in the virtual setting if you're able to do so, I will call on everyone who indicates a desire to speak, including those who are attending by telephone only.

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Anyone present who wishes to have their attendees included in the record but who does not wish to speak or make comments, please provide your name and city in the chat function if you are unable to do that, I will ask for that information as well.

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At the conclusion of the hearing, when I call on you to speak, please state your name.

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Spell your last name and indicate whom you represent.

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If you represent an organization, but we have ground rules, let me state that our purpose today is to gather comments and concerns from the public for the record, which will be considered during the administrative rulemaking process.

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In synopsis, the proposed changes to 05 from the bodies of Dead Animals Act rules would allow Michigan standards relating to management of compost piles to align with the current national standards set by the United States Department of Agriculture.

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At this point, I will call on Doctor Nora Weinland from the department's animal industry division for any additional comments.

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I would just like to say that the reason for this change in the rules is to align things so that when we use or if we need to use composting as a way to eliminate viruses, we want to be aligned with the USDA and not require producers to have to go through extra steps that won't be reimbursed through USDA.

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So that at that and modernizing is the main thing and it's very important to us that we can efficiently and effectively eliminate viruses when we have disease situations.

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Thank you.

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Thank you.

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Is there anyone present who would like to make comments?

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In person or virtually?

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Is there anyone present who does not wish to speak but would like their tenants down in for the record?

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My name is Shelly Tackett.

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I'm from East Lansing, MI.

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Ohh, representing machine pork producers association.

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Anyone else who would like to speak or share anything regarding these rules with different?

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If there are no other public comments at this time, seeing that the time is 9:11 AM and we we will take a recess and reconvene at 9:30.

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Good morning.

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Welcome back.

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We will come out of recess and reconvene to take additional comment at this time.

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Yes, my name is Shelby Tackett from East Lansing, MI.

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I'm here representing Michigan Pork Producers Association and we support the updates to the to the law the most.

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Thank you.

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Is there anyone else in attendance to would like to make comment or would like to have their presence today recorded for the record?

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Hearing none for the record, I have not received any additional slips or seen any hands.

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Oh, thank you.

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Here's we have in our transcript or in our in the chat function of some people have noted that they are present.

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Uh, let me remind everyone that written comments will be accepted until 5:00 PM on Wednesday, July 26th, 2023.

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If anyone needs information on how to provide that to department, please say so now.

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Thank you to all who attended today's public comment.

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Hearing you are interested in this matter is certainly appreciated and we will close this hearing at 9:31 AM.