

What Alberta livestock producers need to know about...

Alberta Farm Recovery Plan (AFRP) II Cheque Requirements

As part of the Alberta government's plan to assist the livestock industry, a second payment to producers will be available in early 2009.

To receive the second payment, all livestock producers and feedlots should meet the following new requirements:

Livestock producers - By January 1, 2009:

- You will need to update your current Canadian Cattle Identification Agency (CCIA) premise identification information or apply for a new premise identification number if you don't have one.
- A new application form will be mailed to you only if you received the first AFRP II payment.
- The application will include a declaration and authorization for Agricultural Financial Services Corporation (AFSC) and Alberta Agriculture and Rural Development (ARD) to verify your information. Your information will be kept private and protected.

Cow-calf producers - By January 1, 2009:

- Age verify your 2008 calf crop by entering birth dates for all calves born in 2008 in the CCIA database. Additional assistance will be available to help you enter birth dates in the system.

Feedlot operators - Starting January 1, 2009:

- Beginning January 1, 2009, all feedlots will be required to record animals as they arrive and report cattle move-in information to the CCIA within seven days.
- The CCIA tag number for each animal arriving and leaving the feedlot (not going to slaughter) must be reported to the CCIA within seven days.

Forms will be available at all AFSC and ARD offices throughout Alberta. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact the Ag-Info Centre at **310-FARM** or on-line at **www.agric.gov.ab.ca**.