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USDA Announces the Phased Reopening of Southern Ports for Livestock Trade

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APHIS Experts Evaluated Mexican Response to New World Screwworm and Found Trade Can Begin

(Washington, D.C., June 30, 2025) – U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Brooke L. Rollins today announced risk-based port re-openings for cattle, bison, and equines from Mexico beginning as early as July 7, 2025. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), following extensive collaboration between USDA Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) experts and their counterparts in Mexico to increase New World Screwworm (NWS) surveillance, detection, and eradication efforts, are set to begin a phased reopening of the southern ports starting with Douglas, Arizona.

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