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AFTC HOSTS GOVERNMENT SECURITY EXERCISE

This week AFTC hosted several government agencies in a tour to examine the security vulnerabilities associated with livestock transportation.

The tour involved a stop at a livestock trucking company terminal owned by ATA member LW Miller Companies of Logan, Utah, in addition to visiting a cattle feedlot and a livestock market all located near Greeley, Colorado. An in depth discussion followed the tour involving the government representatives with representatives of LW Miller Companies and Heath and Turpin Trucking Company of Lamar, Colorado. Representatives of government agencies included the U.S. Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Homeland Security, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Sandia National Laboratories, Colorado Department of Agriculture, and Colorado Brand Inspection Commission.

The work produced important strategic plans to protect the U.S. livestock sector from the threat of introduction of infectious disease which could potentially destroy a large portion of livestock production.

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