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**Fever Tick Subcommittee  
June 16, 2017  
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.**

**J.D. Cage – Chair  
Federico “Freddy” Nieto – Vice Chair**

**MINUTES**

- I. Call to order
  - The meeting was called to order at 7:06 a.m. by Chairman J.D. Cage.
  - Mr. Cage introduced Dr. T. R. Lansford III (Assistant Executive Director of TAHC) to give an update on the cattle fever tick status in Texas.
  
- II. Update on cattle fever tick status in Texas
  - Dr. Lansford gave an in-depth update on cattle fever tick expansion, and answered several questions asked by subcommittee members about the new infestations. So far there has been 108 new infestations this year which is a 62% increase over last year.
  
- III. Closed business session (**Subcommittee Members Only**)
  - Subcommittee members unanimously approved the minutes from the April 1, 2017 meeting with one amendment to the last sentence under item number II. The amended sentence now reads as follows: “Additionally, the guest speakers discussed the [lack of](#) cooperation between TAHC, USDA-APHIS, and the Laguna Atascosa National Wildlife Refuge on the refuge’s fever tick eradication efforts”.
  - Subcommittee members briefly discussed Freddy Nieto’s upcoming trip to Washington D.C. to visit with congressional offices and federal agencies about cattle fever ticks.
  
- IV. Adjourn
  - With no other business being brought before the subcommittee, Mr. Cage adjourned the meeting at 8:31 a.m.