FREE GOAT PARASITE TESTING FOR SASKATCHEWAN GOAT PRODUCERS CONTINUES UNTIL OCTOBER 2021

The Saskatchewan Ministry of Agriculture will continue to pay the laboratory costs associated with monitoring the internal parasite burden and/or treatment efficacy in Saskatchewan goats until October 2021. This project is in collaboration with Dr. Fritz Schumann and Dr. Fabienne Uehlinger from the Western College of Veterinary Medicine.

Who can participate? Any goat owner in the province of Saskatchewan, regardless of the number of goats owned.

What? Each goat producer may submit fecal samples from their goats. The fecal samples have to be shipped by courier to Prairie Diagnostic Services Inc. at the Western College of Veterinary Medicine (submitted through the goat producer or his/her regular veterinarian).

All costs associated with the laboratory analyses (fecal egg count test) will be directly paid for by the SK Ministry of Agriculture. Materials for collection of fecal samples and shipping to the laboratory are at the expense of goat owners.

How? Goat owners collect individual, fresh fecal samples from their goats in accordance with recommended collection guidelines. Each submission to the lab must be accompanied by the official project submission form and a completed short questionnaire.

Interested?
For more information or to obtain collection guidelines for participation, please contact the project coordinator, Dr. Fritz Schumann, Western College of Veterinary Medicine,
PHONE: 306-221-5861
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Johne’s Surveillance Program
Did you know? Saskatchewan goat producers are also eligible to participate in the Johne’s surveillance program developed by the Ministry of Agriculture and administered through the Saskatchewan Stock Growers Association. For more information, click here.