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Protecting Livestock and the Kansas Economy

With its deep agricultural heritage and expertise, Kansas has been selected as one of six finalists for a \$451-million federal research lab designed to protect the nation's food supply and agriculture economy. **This research is urgently needed to safeguard Kansas livestock from disease, and our state is uniquely positioned to use its expertise to fulfill the research mission safely and securely.**

- **Modern biocontainment facilities and stringent biosafety procedures provide safe and secure scientific research:** Disease research has been conducted safely for decades at the Centers for Disease Control in Atlanta, Georgia, and for years in Winnipeg, Canada, just north of North Dakota. These locations are near significant populations of people and animals, which have not been threatened by modern research.
- **A new research lab will allow U.S. scientists to develop treatments for diseases that pose imminent threats to America's livestock industry:** Foreign animal diseases are a real and growing threat to agriculture, so we cannot delay in developing new vaccines and therapeutics. The threat is not in research, but in a lack of research — or research that does not make full use of the best expertise and infrastructure available.
- **On the merits, Kansas offers distinct advantages for successfully conducting this important research:** The development of vaccines and other treatments will be accelerated significantly by locating this lab where relevant, synergistic capabilities exist. In Kansas, the Animal Health Corridor and Kansas State University provide unrivaled strength in animal health research and business.

Scientific R&D is accelerated by proximity to research capabilities.
This animal disease research mission requires acceleration.
So, there's but one real choice: Kansas.

For more facts about the National Bio and Agro-Defense Facility
and why the NBAF belongs in Kansas, visit us at www.nbafinkansas.org.

