Final preparations for the 2018 WV buck test

- 1.) <u>Delivery Date:</u> with so many producers submitting bucks for various locales we decided to allow for multiple delivery times. If you cannot bring your bucks at one of the times below please contact Scott Bowdridge to arrange a delivery time.
 - a. Friday May 11, 2018 from 9am 3pm
 - b. Saturday May 12, 2018 from 2pm 5pm
 - c. Sunday May 13, 2018 from 9am 3pm
- 2.) <u>Delivery Weight:</u> There is a minimum delivery weight on bucks this year that was described in the test guidelines. All bucks must weight a minimum of 40 lbs. A 10% of body weight allowance will be utilized on bucks traveling from out-of-state. Thus, the minimum weight on bucks entering our test from outside WV is <u>36lbs</u>.

This cutoff weight will be strictly adhered to. If your bucks are less than 36lbs they will not be allowed in the test.

3.) Delivery documentation:

- a. All producers will need to provide a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI) on their animals. If you live in WV you still need to provide a CVI in order to test your bucks at WVU.
- b. All bucks must come with a submission form that can be found on our website (sheepandgoats.wvu.edu)
- c. Upon delivery a fee of \$100/hd is due and payable to West Virginia University
- **4.)** Implementation of data anonymity: Some producers expressed concern about public reporting of data especially in light of parasite infection being done this year. Upon delivery, each producer will be provided with their bucks' unique test ID# which will not be sequential.

5.) If you have any questions please call or email Scott Bowdridge

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