

NEBRASKA PORK PRODUCERS ASSOCIATION

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Annual Pork Event Salutes Nebraska Senators

The Nebraska Pork Producers Association's (NPPA) annual Ribs and Bibs saluting Nebraska's State Senators and other guests was held on Tuesday, March 24th, at the UNL Champions Club. Nebraska's pork industry celebrated the bounty of pork, in a CAROUSEL setting with both CAROUSEL floating horses and CAROUSEL music.

“We sincerely appreciate and thank the State Senators and guests for making the evening a mutually educational and enjoyable event”, said Scott Spilker, President of NPPA. “The Nebraska Pork Producers Association additionally commends and thanks the Nebraska Legislature's Government Affairs Committee for advancing LB 106, the Livestock Operations Siting and Expansion Act. We further thank Senator Watermeier for prioritizing LB 106 and moving it forward to the Legislative body.”

LB 106 was developed and approved by a diverse working cooperative group that included the Nebraska Association of County Officials and Nebraska Livestock and Agriculture Boards and Federations. LB 106 is designed to provide a statewide matrix to assist Nebraska County Officials when considering livestock applicants requests to build or expand livestock facilities. This statewide matrix, as developed by the Department of Agriculture, will allow zoned counties to continue local county control. It also assists both county officials and the livestock producers with a better understanding of what matrix rules need to be satisfied for their or for any application to be approved.

The Board of Directors of the Nebraska Pork Producers Association also thanks the Nebraska Association of County Officials for their cooperation in this effort. LB 106 will not only assist local county officials but help Nebraska's animal agriculture while generating additional local, county and state financial benefits and tax bases.

The Nebraska Pork Producers Association is a grassroots, incorporated, non-profit organization established in 1961. NPPA was developed to promote the pork industry through the enhancement of consumer demand, producer education and research. For more information, visit NPPA's website at www.NEpork.org.