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TAHC Welcomes Dr. Thomas (TR) Lansford as Region 5 Director

AUSTIN - The Texas Animal Health Commission (TAHC) is excited to welcome Dr. Thomas R. (T.R.) Lansford, III, as the new Region 5 Director. Lansford will be headquartered in the Region 5 Office located in Beeville.



A native of south Texas, Lansford grew up near Tilden. He attended Texas A&M University-Kingsville prior to attending Texas A&M University in College Station, where he earned a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine. Upon graduation, Lansford practiced veterinary medicine in Hondo. He then began employment with the State as a supervisory circuit veterinarian with the Texas Department of State Health Services Meat Safety Assurance (MSA) Unit. Lansford spent five years in that capacity while headquartered in Midland and then College Station. For the past six years, Lansford served as the program's assistant State director in Austin.

Dr. Lansford is married to Christy and they have one son, 20 month-old Thomas R. (Buddy) Lansford, IV. In their spare time, they are involved with their families' ranches in the south Texas brush country and in the mountains of southwest Colorado.

"The Texas Animal Health Commission is pleased to add Dr. Lansford to the TAHC family. With his experience and background, Dr. Lansford will be an asset to the agency," Dr. Terry Hensley, Assistant Executive Director, said.

Founded in 1893, the Texas Animal Health Commission works to protect the health of all Texas livestock, including: cattle, swine, poultry, sheep, goats, equine animals, and exotic livestock.

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