ALP On-Farm Euthanasia Workshop Saturday March 25, 2017 10 am to 4 pm James Murray Building, Olds College, Olds, AB

All livestock producers will eventually face a situation when euthanizing a compromised animal is the most humane option. Being able to make informed decisions to effectively and safely perform euthanasia on-farm decreases the length of time an animal suffers while maintaining a high level of animal welfare.

In 2017, ALP will be holding workshops in three locations around the province to help producers make sound decisions relating to on-farm euthanasia. Based on the Code of Practice requirements, the workshop includes a combination of classroom and hands-on learning designed to give producers the skills and knowledge they need to maintain animal welfare and handler safety.

## The workshop will include:

- Making the decision to perform on-farm euthanasia.
- Approved methods of euthanasia for different types of sheep (i.e. age, size, etc.).
- Hands-on training to perform euthanasia by captive-bolt gun using sheep models.
- A take away reference manual filled with all the workshop information.

Workshop instructor, Jennifer Woods, is a livestock handling specialist based out of Blackie, Alberta. Jennifer obtained her undergrad degree in Animal Science at Colorado State University and her Master's degree in Veterinary Preventative Medicine from Iowa State University. Jennifer has over 25 years' experience in the livestock industry and has worked as a consultant to the industry since 1998. Her areas of expertise include euthanasia, animal handling and behavior, animal welfare auditing and assessing (slaughter, farm, feedlot and transportation), livestock emergency response, transportation, and facility design. Jennifer's work has taken her all over North America, across Europe and down to Australia.

The first workshop will be held at Olds College on March 25, 2017. Please contact the ALP office for more information and to RSVP. Registration is free and lunch is provided. Watch for the locations and dates of two additional workshops in N'ewesline, N'ewesletter and on the ALP website.