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Subject: Circular Letter F2022-03 : Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Platform Transition
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Good Evening All,

Attached please see F&E's circular letter F2022-03: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Platform Transition. Please ensure that this information is shared with all Board members at the next regularly scheduled board meeting listed as an item of "Correspondence".

You can also view and download this and past circular letters by visiting our website at <https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/FairsAndExpositions/>, click on drop down box titled "Correspondence".

If you have any questions, please let me know.

Thank you,

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CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

March 4, 2022

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TO: All California Fairs

SUBJECT: Youth for the Quality Care of Animals (YQCA) Platform Transition

The YQCA program has recently decided to update their certification program and website platform. The certification program represents the top-of-the-line training in food safety, humane animal care, and life skill development for youth. The new platform is expected to launch on March 23, 2022.

Due to the transition, YQCA users (youth and YQCA instructors) who plan to use their current and valid certification for the 2022 fair season, will need to download their certificate prior to the transition on March 23, 2022. YQCA users will no longer be able log-in to their existing account and access their past certification information after March 23, 2022.

The process for navigating the new platform will be shared with you once it is available. YQCA plans to host a webinar that will be open to the public announcing the change and answering user questions. In addition, a final webinar will also be available and will provide a tour of the new and improved online experience.

The Fairs and Expositions Branch asks that you please share this information with as many YQCA users as possible, including 4-H, FFA, Grange, and Independent exhibitors, leaders, advisors, parents, and the fair's livestock employees/volunteers. YQCA users that do not retrieve their valid certification from the current YQCA platform before March 23, 2022, may be required to regain certification through the new platform.

For any questions, please contact Mike Francesconi at mike.francesconi@cdfa.ca.gov or (916) 900-5365.

Sincerely,

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