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## DESIGNATE BEEF CATTLE AND SHEEP FIELD LABORATORY, URBANA

**Action:** Approve Designation of Beef Cattle and Sheep Field Laboratory, Urbana

**Funding:** No funding required

The Interim Chancellor has recommended that the Department of Animal Sciences' new field laboratory be named the Beef Cattle and Sheep Field Laboratory. In this state-of-the-art facility, located at an interface of urban and rural communities on the corner of Church and Race Streets south of Urbana, scholars may study integrated systems using agricultural species as whole animal models. The laboratory, designed to allow scientists to attain precise measurements under tightly controlled experimental conditions, will facilitate discovery in medical sciences, nutrition, genetics, reproduction, physiology, and environmental management and stewardship. As an attraction for outstanding scientists, industry partners, and students, the Beef Cattle and Sheep Field Laboratory enhances scholarly activities, provides for opportunities to stimulate economic growth in Illinois, and optimizes the returns on the public investment.

The board action recommended in this item complies in all material respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois *Statutes, The General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure*, and Board of Trustees policies and directives.

The Vice President for Academic Affairs concurs.

The President of the University recommends approval.