The Thogersen Family Farm

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So as many know, and many may or may not. We opened up our farm, procedures and products up to scrutiny by the Department of Agriculture, USDA, and now the FDA has tagged onto the tail end of this. The Dept of Agriculture reached out under the guise of wanting to work together to put rules and regulations in place for raw production which is near completely unregulated. We agreed and they took samples of all our ground products. Two of which were from April 2018 - August 2018 production coarse ground rabbit and ground duck. All product had already been sold and/or consumed. I touched base with the specific individuals that purchased said products and they confirmed it had since been consumed. There were two other ground products, llama and pork that we had not sold on the open market just yet. We had just sold a few pounds through a local retailer and were able to notify her before it left store shelves. The remaining product remains unsold and is being disposed of.

We work with WazzuOR, whom sells outside of Washington state which has required this recall to fall under FDA regulations even though WazzuOR never received compromised products.

So coarse ground rabbit and ground mallard duck between the dates of April 2018-Aug 2018 with our old packaging labels on it, as well as ground llama, and ground pork, (that never left our farm) is being recalled.

To everyone that has called seeking product beyond the state of Washington, regardless of the recall. Your inquiry and interest warms my heart amidst the chaos and witch hunt the FDA is on.

I’ve had more people contact me today wondering if we ship product then all of our local clients combined. To everyone wondering, we once shipped product yes, and then our local market picked up so that we have been struggling to keep up locally so we discontinued shipping. We no longer ship as it was just too much to keep up with as a small local family farm to which it remains.

The product produced is butchered by my husband and myself. Animals are farm grown and come from our farm or from surrounding local farms that we are very familiar with. We are two people and can only produce so much. We so very much appreciate everyone’s support, it means SO much to us.

Listeria is a commonly found pathogen in many bovine animals, Residing in the gut of animals such as horse, cow, rabbit, goat and many other animals. Case studies done through out America have shown that 25% of farms have listeria on them, wether it be within animals that carry it, water, or the soil they graze upon.

Generally speaking listeria does not harm healthy individuals or pets. It can however cause severe issues with those that are pregnant, young or elderly, so I ask you to please not eat your raw pet food.