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# Press Release

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## **California Cattlemen's Association Announces Hire of New Director of Government Relations**

Sacramento, Calif. (March 6, 2009) -- The California Cattlemen's Association announced today the hiring of Dawn Clover, Sacramento, as Director of Government Relations for the statewide beef cattle membership organization.

Beginning this week, Clover will work with existing staff to serve as CCA's lead representative at the State Capitol as well as work closely with regulatory agencies, particularly on issues under the jurisdiction of the CCA Land Use and Taxation; Livestock Identification and Transportation; and Wildlife Management committees.

CCA President Tom Talbot, DVM, a rancher from Bishop commented on Clover's hiring saying, "I am extremely excited to bring Dawn on board. Having worked at the State Capitol on many of the issues facing agriculture, she understands the ongoing battles that livestock producers are up against and I am confident that she will be an outstanding representative for our state's beef producers."

Clover most recently served as senior consultant for the Assembly Committee on Agriculture where she worked since 2001. During her time with the committee, she was responsible for analyzing and consulting on a variety of agricultural issues, including land use and conservation, dairy, invasive species, pesticides, energy, marketing and rural economics. She has worked with both Democrats and Republicans on issues critical to California agriculture and was also instrumental in creating an Assembly Select Committee on the Future of Farming in California to develop policies that will sustain and promote agriculture key to our state's future.

Clover also previously worked for Assemblymember Dennis Cardoza (D-Merced), where she was responsible for various legislative and budget issues. Clover was born and raised in Sutter County and has been involved in her family's businesses, which include construction and farming. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Government from California State University, Sacramento.

"As a lifelong Californian who was raised in a rural community, I have gained tremendous respect for the ranching way of life. Cattlemen and cattlemen are good stewards of their communities, their land and their livestock," Clover said. "I look forward to working with CCA members to carry this message throughout the halls of the State Capitol, and to continue to protect and promote the ranching heritage, which ensures an unparalleled product to the people of the state, the nation and the world."

For more information about Clover or CCA, contact Stevie Ipsen in the CCA office at (916) 444-0845 or visit [www.calcattlemen.org](http://www.calcattlemen.org).

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Founded in 1917, the California Cattlemen's Association (CCA) represents California's 1.35 billion- dollar beef cattle industry on legislative and regulatory affairs and remains the number one voice for the industry today. CCA is an affiliate of the National Cattlemen's Beef Association, which represents America's cattle farmers and ranchers.