

2016 Early July Update

On Jul 7, 2016, at 9:31 PM, SNAKE RIVER FARM <Tom@snakeriverfarmmn.com> wrote:

Dear Friends, Neighbors, and Customers

This letter is going to be quite short.

Summer is a busy time.

The weather continues to be excellent. We could use some rain but that is likely to start in the next hour.

We got no rain from the big Tuesday storm that went through the metro.

We were actually hauling a load of nine bison heifers on 694 when that storm passed through.

Those were the animals I planned to pick up near Caledonia, in May.

The farmer called me late on the evening before that planned May date.

He called to tell me he would have to put off loading on the next day.

At the time he called he was trying to decide whether he should go to the ER.

A bull had just run over him. He is now pretty well recovered from a cracked vertebra.

Personally, I try to avoid cornering bison.

The new additions settled right in and look great in the herd.

We got a trailer load of bison from the same farmer last year.

Gail says the new additions recognized their older cousins and calmed down immediately.

I am sure she is right.

Metro Deliveries.

I have two more metro drop dates scheduled.

One tomorrow and another Friday, July 15.

Email me if you need help.

Chickens and Rabbits.

The 100 chickens that Sarah Kucera delivered to Quality meats are all taken.

Some of those chickens are going on my delivery load tomorrow.

Blake and I will bring another group in for processing next Tuesday.

There will be several more groups with the last 100 coming in October.

Rabbits are available in good number now at Quality Meats.

If you ordered rabbit, you can pick them up anytime.

The **Fall harvest** of beef will begin early in August and end early December.

Bison will be harvested in that same period.

Hogs will be harvested from October until December.

Turkeys, ducks and geese will be harvested in November.

I will send more information about the Fall harvest in the next Update.

Email me if you have questions.

Best regards.

Tom

p.s. It is raining.

Wonderful!