About no hormones chemicals medications mRNA in our meats. Updated 5/2/2024 Tom The Snake River Farm meets and exceeds the Organic Regulations in many ways.

We have not used chemical fertilizers, herbicides, insecticides, or fungicides at the Snake River Farm for many decades.

We raise all our animals in natural, outside pastures which are fundamentally healthy and disease free.

None of our animals are given hormones or growth stimulants or routine antibiotics.

It is rare for our animals to get sick or injured. If that occurs, we might use an antibiotic to treat an individual animal when it would be inhumane not to do so.

The antibiotics permitted for farm use are not considered important for human use.

Some of our beef animals are vaccinated before they are brought to our farm. Those vaccines are for common cattle diseases for which it would be inhumane to not protect our animals. The vaccinations that our cattle may receive have been in use for over half a century. These basic vaccinations are allowed under the Organic Regulations.

Our pigs and lambs are normally vaccinated for common diseases as newborns. Farm animals have been vaccinated for these basic diseases for over 70 years. These vaccines are as basic as polio or tetanus vaccines for humans. Long use has proven them to be safe and effective.

We have tried to go without these vaccines for our animals in the past, even though these are allowed under the Organic Standards.

Over time we have learned that not giving our animals the protection from common diseases puts them at risk for pain and even death from sicknesses that can be simply avoided. We have determined that it is inhumane for us to not protect our animals with these basic vaccines which have been proven safe and effective.

Leaving our herds and flocks exposed to unnecessary illnesses is simply bad stewardship. Again, these basic vaccinations are allowed under the Organic Regulations.

None of our animals receive mRNA vaccines.

No mRNA vaccines are approved for cattle use in the USA.

A mRNA vaccine has been approved for swine use. That vaccine only appeals to managers of large confinement operations.

The mRNA vaccines when/if available will only appeal to and be used by large animal confinement operations. It may be that eventually all commercial meat, (Cub, Shopko, Publix, etc.) will be stocked with mRNA meat.

We do not get animals from large operations. We deal only with other small farms. We know that our animals are not vaccinated with mRNA drugs.

You best way to avoid chemicals, medications, and drugs is to know your small farmer.

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