

Tom Wright

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Hi Tom,

Here's some information from the Division of Agriculture.

The Division updates the Cattle Brand Book every five years as required in statute (Brands & Marks AS 03.40). The 2010 Brand Book included 130 individual brands for livestock and 9 brands for reindeer. Statute requires that brands be renewed and the book reprinted every five years, so the next update will be done in 2015. Fee's are laid out in statute (AS 03.40.03 Recording) and are as follows: To adopt a brand, there is a \$2 fee, renewal of existing brand is \$1, transfer of a brand is \$1 and any additional copies of the certified copy of record is \$1 each. Books may be sold for no more than \$2. The Division paid \$1,592 for 800 copies (\$1.99 each) of the Brand Book in 2010 and took in \$209 in fees. Administration costs of the program is minimal and requires minimal staff time.

The brand serves as an identifier to livestock owners when animals are mixed in pastures, barns or grazing leases.

Deputy Commissioner Ed Fogels and Franci Havemeister, the Division Director, will be in town tomorrow and Friday if you would like to meet with them.

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