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Form 990

Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax

2011

Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)

Open to Public Inspection

► The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements

A For the 2011 calendar year, or tax year beginning 10-01-2011 and ending 09-30-2012

B Check if applicable

C Name of organization
MONTANA BEEF COUNCILD Employer identification number
81-0388133E Telephone number
(406) 656-3336

F Gross receipts \$ 1,794,154

G Name of organization
MONTANA BEEF COUNCILH Name of officer
JERRY JONES
PO BOX 80865
BILLINGS, MT 59108H(a) Is this a group return for affiliates?
 Yes NoH(b) Are all affiliates included?
 Yes No
If "No," attach a list (see instructions)

H(c) Group exemption number ►

I Tax-exempt status
 501(c)(3) 501(c) (5) (insert no) 4947(a)(1) or 527

J Website: ► MONTANABEEFCOUNCIL.ORG

K Form of organization Corporation Trust Association Other ►

L Year of formation 1957

M State of legal domicile MT

Part I Summary

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities
TO UNIFY ALL SEGMENTS OF THE MONTANA LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY

2 Check this box ► if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets

3 Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a)

3 12

4 Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b)

4 12

5 Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2011 (Part V, line 2a)

5 5

6 Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary)

6 0

7a Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12

7a 0

b Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34

7b 0

		Prior Year		Current Year	
		8	9	10	11
	Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h)	0	0	1,748,723	1,787,591
	Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g)	6,571	6,571	6,216	6,216
	Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d)	228	228	347	347
	Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e)	1,755,522	1,755,522	1,794,154	1,794,154
	Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)				

		Prior Year		Current Year	
		13	14	15	16
	Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1-3)	0	0	175,212	162,742
	Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4)	0	0	0	0
	Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5-10)				
	Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e)	0	0	0	0
	b Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25)	0	0	1,651,817	1,687,161
	Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a-11d, 11f-24e)			1,827,029	1,849,903
	Total expenses Add lines 13-17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)			-71,507	-55,749
	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12				

		Beginning of Current Year		End of Year	
		20	21	22	23
	Total assets (Part X, line 16)	469,329	24,185	445,144	442,727
	Total liabilities (Part X, line 26)	24,185	445,144	26,497	416,230
	Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20				

Part II Signature Block

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	*****	2013-02-23
	Signature of officer JERRY JONES PRESIDENT	Date

Paid Preparer's Use Only	Preparer's signature AMY T IVERSON CPA	Date 2013-02-23	Check if self-employed <input type="checkbox"/>	Preparer's taxpayer identification number (see instructions) P00997399
	Firm's name (or yours if self-employed), address, and ZIP + 4 GALUSHA HIGGINS & GALUSHA PC 303 N BROADWAY 503 BILLINGS, MT 59103	EIN ► 81-0272932	Phone no ► (406) 248-1681	

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) Yes No

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

**1 Briefly describe the organization's mission**

THE PURPOSE, OBJECT AND SCOPE FOR WHICH THE COUNCIL IS ORGANIZED IS TO UNIFY ALL SEGMENTS OF THE MONTANA LIVESTOCK INDUSTRY IN A COORDINATING EFFORT TO EXPAND THE UTILIZATION AND MERCHANDISING OF ALL PRODUCTS DERIVED FROM CATTLE AND CALVES THROUGH INDUSTRY RESEARCH AND BEEF PROMOTION BY STRESSING THE BENEFIT OF INCREASED BEEF CONSUMPTION AND BY EDUCATING THE PUBLIC ON THE LONG RANGE BENEFITS OF THE PROPER SELECTION, PREPARATION AND USE OF BEEF IN THE INTERESTS OF HEALTH AND NUTRITION

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a	(Code) (Expenses \$	899,226	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	1,054,350)
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THE MONTANA BEEF COUNCIL READMITS \$ 50 OF EVERY \$1 CHECK-OFF COLLECTED TO THE CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD PER THE BEEF PROMOTION AND RESEARCH ACT OF 1985. THE CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD IS THE NATIONAL ORGANIZATION ESTABLISHED BY THE BEEF PROMOTION AND RESEARCH ACT OF 1985 FOR THE PROMOTION OF THE BEEF INDUSTRY

4b	(Code) (Expenses \$	407,626	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	477,945)
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THE COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE U S MEAT EXPORT FEDERATION WHOSE MISSION IS TO INCREASE THE VALUE AND PROFITABILITY OF THE U S BEEF, PORK, AND LAMB INDUSTRIES BY ENHANCING DEMAND FOR THEIR PRODUCTS. IN ADDITION, THE COUNCIL EXPENSES MONEY TO THE CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD'S CONSUMER MARKETING GROUP WHOSE PURPOSES INCLUDE MARKETING OBJECTIVES, PROGRAM AND BUDGET PRIORITIES

4c	(Code) (Expenses \$	77,869	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	91,302)
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TO HELP PROMOTE THE BEEF INDUSTRIES THE COUNCIL FUNDS PROJECTS THAT FOLLOWS THE COUNCIL'S MISSION. ONE OF THOSE PROJECTS WAS THE MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY-BOZEMAN FOUNDATION FOR THE ANIMAL BIOSCIENCE TEACHING FACILITY FOR THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE

(Code) (Expenses \$	140,162	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	164,341)
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THE CHECKOFF PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO STIMULATE OTHERS TO SELL MORE BEEF AND STIMULATE CONSUMERS TO BUY MORE BEEF. THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH INITIATIVES SUCH AS CONSUMER ADVERTISING, MARKETING PARTNERSHIPS, PUBLIC RELATIONS, EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND NEW-PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT

4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O)

(Expenses \$	140,162	including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	164,341)
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4e Total program service expenses	\$ 1,524,883
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Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules

1 Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? If "Yes," complete Schedule A

2 Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instructions)?

3 Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I

4 **Section 501(c)(3) organizations.** Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II

5 Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III

6 Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts for which donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I

7 Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II

8 Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III

9 Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV

10 Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in temporarily restricted endowments, permanent endowments, or quasi-endowments? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V

11 If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable

a Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI

b Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII

c Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII

d Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX

e Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X

f Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X

12a Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII

b Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? If "Yes," and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional

13 Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E

14a Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?

b Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, investment, and program service activities outside the United States, or aggregate foreign investments valued at \$100,000 or more? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part I

15 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part II and IV

16 Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U.S.? If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Part III and IV

17 Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I

18 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II

19 Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III

20a Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? If "Yes," complete Schedule H

b If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statement to this return? **Note.** All Form 990 filers that operated one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements

	Yes	No
1		No
2		No
3		No
4		
5		No
6		No
7		No
8		No
9		No
10		No
11a	Yes	
11b		No
11c		No
11d		No
11e		No
11f		No
12a	Yes	
12b		No
13		No
14a		No
14b		No
15		No
16		No
17		No
18		No
19		No
20a		No
20b		

Part IV Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III	22		No
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? If "Yes," complete Schedule J	23		No
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? If "Yes," answer questions 24b-24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception?	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds?	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year?	24d		
25a	Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations. Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25a		
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	25b		
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or owner? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	29		No
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? If "Yes," complete Schedule M	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301 7701-2 and 301 7701-3? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1	34		No
35a	Is any related organization a controlled entity of the filing organization within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	35a		No
b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	35b		No
36	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2	36		
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? Note. All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O	38	Yes	

Part V Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable	1a	1
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, <i>Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements</i> filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return	2a	5
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	Yes
Note. If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions)			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account or securities account)?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country ► See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22 1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
7	Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).	7a	No
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7b	
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7c	No
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7d	
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year	7e	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7f	
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7g	
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7h	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	8	
8	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations. Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?	9a	
9	Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.	9b	
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?		
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?		
10	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter	10a	
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12	10b	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities		
11	Section 501(c)(12) organizations. Enter	11a	
a	Gross income from members or shareholders	11b	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them)		
12a	Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts. Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?	12a	
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year	12b	
13	Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.	13a	
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? Note. All 501(c)(29) organizations must list in Schedule O each state in which they are licensed to issue qualified health plans, the amount of reserves required by each state, and the amount of reserves the organization allocated to each state	13b	
b	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans	13c	
c	Enter the aggregate amount of reserves on hand		
14a	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?	14a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	14b	

Part VI Governance, Management, and Disclosure For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year	1a	12	
b Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent	1b	12	
2 Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee?	2	No	
3 Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person?	3	No	
4 Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No	
5 Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets?	5	No	
6 Did the organization have members or stockholders?	6	No	
7a Did the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who had the power to elect or appoint one or more members of the governing body?	7a	No	
b Are any governance decisions of the organization reserved to (or subject to approval by) members, stockholders, or persons other than the governing body?	7b	No	
8 Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following			
a The governing body?	8a	Yes	
b Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body?	8b	Yes	
9 Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O	9	No	

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a Did the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates?	10a	No	
b If "Yes," did the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with the organization's exempt purposes?	10b		
11a Has the organization provided a complete copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form?	11a	Yes	
b Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review the Form 990			
12a Did the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13	12a	Yes	
b Were officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts?	12b	Yes	
c Did the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this was done	12c	Yes	
13 Did the organization have a written whistleblower policy?	13	No	
14 Did the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy?	14	No	
15 Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?			
a The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official	15a	Yes	
b Other officers or key employees of the organization	15b	Yes	
If "Yes," to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (see instructions)			
16a Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year?	16a	No	
b If "Yes," did the organization follow a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and take steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements?	16b		

Section C. Disclosure

17 List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed

18 Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c) (3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you made these available. Check all that apply
 Own website Another's website Upon request

19 Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization made its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table

20 State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization
MONTANA BEEF COUNCIL
2795 ENTERPRISE STE 4
BILLINGS, MT 59102
(406) 656-3336

Part VII Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

 Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII
Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

• List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees. Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid

• List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any. See instructions for definition of "key employee."

• List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, or highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

• List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order: individual trustees or directors, institutional trustees, officers, key employees, highest compensated employees, and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organizations compensated any current or former officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (do not check more than one box, unless person is both an officer and a director/trustee)					(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W- 2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W- 2/1099- MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Or Director	Individual Trustee	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key Employee			
(1) WES PLUMMER VICE PRESIDENT	3 00	X		X			0	0	0
(2) JERRY JONES PRESIDENT	5 00	X		X			0	0	0
(3) TOM KRAFT DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(4) JEFF LEWIS DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(5) KRISTIN LARSON DIRECTOR	3 00	X					0	0	0
(6) JAN ALLEN DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(7) LINDA SWANZ DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(8) BRUCE LEE DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(9) ERIC MOORE DIRECTOR	3 00	X					0	0	0
(10) STEVE HARMON DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(11) ERICK SOMERFELD DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(12) JAMES TABOR DIRECTOR	2 00	X					0	0	0
(13) CHARLENE RICH EXEC DIRECTOR	40 00			X			89,656	0	0

Part VII Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization **0**

	Yes	No
3 Did the organization list any former officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	3	No
4 For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i>	4	No
5 Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i>	5	No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year.

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization ►0

Part VIII Statement of Revenue

		(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections 512, 513, or 514		
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a Federated campaigns	1a					
	b Membership dues	1b					
	c Fundraising events	1c					
	d Related organizations	1d					
	e Government grants (contributions)	1e					
	f All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f					
	g Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$						
	h Total. Add lines 1a-1f						
Program Service Revenue	Business Code						
			2a BEEF INDUSTRY LEVY	900099	1,787,591	1,787,591	
			b				
			c				
			d				
			e				
	f All other program service revenue						
	g Total. Add lines 2a-2f		1,787,591				
Other Revenue	3 Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts)						
			6,216		6,216		
	4 Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds						
	5 Royalties						
	6a Gross rents	(I) Real	(II) Personal				
	b Less rental expenses						
	c Rental income or (loss)						
	d Net rental income or (loss)						
7a Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(I) Securities	(II) Other					
b Less cost or other basis and sales expenses							
c Gain or (loss)							
d Net gain or (loss)							
8a Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18							
b Less direct expenses	b						
c Net income or (loss) from fundraising events							
9a Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19							
b Less direct expenses	b						
c Net income or (loss) from gaming activities							
10a Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances							
b Less cost of goods sold	b						
c Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory							
Miscellaneous Revenue		Business Code					
11a MISCELLANEOUS		900099	347	347			
b							
c							
d All other revenue							
e Total. Add lines 11a-11d		347					
12 Total revenue. See Instructions		1,794,154	1,787,938	0	6,216		

Part IX Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D)

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part IX **Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.**

	(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1 Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States See Part IV, line 21				
2 Grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States See Part IV, line 22				
3 Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the United States See Part IV, lines 15 and 16				
4 Benefits paid to or for members				
5 Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees	72,868		72,868	
6 Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B)				
7 Other salaries and wages	53,181		53,181	
8 Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions)	10,366		10,366	
9 Other employee benefits	12,949		12,949	
10 Payroll taxes	13,378		13,378	
11 Fees for services (non-employees)				
a Management				
b Legal				
c Accounting	8,135		8,135	
d Lobbying				
e Professional fundraising See Part IV, line 17				
f Investment management fees				
g Other				
12 Advertising and promotion	50,126	50,126		
13 Office expenses	6,954		6,954	
14 Information technology				
15 Royalties				
16 Occupancy	18,330		18,330	
17 Travel	19,686	14,791	4,895	
18 Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials				
19 Conferences, conventions, and meetings	14,435		14,435	
20 Interest				
21 Payments to affiliates				
22 Depreciation, depletion, and amortization	7,376		7,376	
23 Insurance	652		652	
24 Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O)				
a CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD	888,274	888,274		
b NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS	280,000	280,000		
c NATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS	112,835	112,835		
d LEVY COLLECTION EXPENSE	74,745		74,745	
e				
f All other expenses	205,613	178,857	26,756	
25 Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	1,849,903	1,524,883	325,020	0
26 Joint costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation				

Part X Balance Sheet

		(A) Beginning of year		(B) End of year
Assets	1 Cash—non-interest-bearing	225,220	1	171,862
	2 Savings and temporary cash investments		2	
	3 Pledges and grants receivable, net		3	
	4 Accounts receivable, net	46,933	4	52,529
	5 Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees Complete Part II of Schedule L		5	
	6 Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) Complete Part II of Schedule L		6	
	7 Notes and loans receivable, net		7	
	8 Inventories for sale or use		8	
	9 Prepaid expenses and deferred charges		9	
	10a Land, buildings, and equipment cost or other basis Complete Part VI of Schedule D	53,751	10a	
	b Less accumulated depreciation	41,652	10b	17,774
	11 Investments—publicly traded securities		10c	12,099
	12 Investments—other securities See Part IV, line 11		11	179,402
	13 Investments—program-related See Part IV, line 11		12	
	14 Intangible assets		13	
	15 Other assets See Part IV, line 11		14	
	16 Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34)	469,329	15	442,727
Liabilities	17 Accounts payable and accrued expenses	24,185	16	26,497
	18 Grants payable		17	
	19 Deferred revenue		18	
	20 Tax-exempt bond liabilities		19	
	21 Escrow or custodial account liability Complete Part IV of Schedule D		20	
	22 Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons Complete Part II of Schedule L		21	
	23 Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties		22	
	24 Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties		23	
	25 Other liabilities (including federal income tax, payables to related third parties, and other liabilities not included on lines 17-24) Complete Part X of Schedule D		24	
	26 Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25	24,185	25	26,497
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.			
	27 Unrestricted net assets	445,144	27	416,230
	28 Temporarily restricted net assets		28	
	29 Permanently restricted net assets		29	
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.			
	30 Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds		30	
	31 Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund		31	
	32 Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds		32	
	33 Total net assets or fund balances	445,144	33	416,230
	34 Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances	469,329	34	442,727

Part XI Reconciliation of Net AssetsCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,794,154
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,849,903
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-55,749
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	445,144
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	26,835
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	416,230

Part XII Financial Statements and ReportingCheck if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII

	Yes	No
1 Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant? <input type="checkbox"/>	2a	No
2b Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant? <input type="checkbox"/>	2b	Yes
2c If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O <input type="checkbox"/>	2c	Yes
2d If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133? <input type="checkbox"/>	3a	No
3b If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits <input type="checkbox"/>	3b	

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(Form 990)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Financial Statements**

► Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 9, 10, 11a, 11b, 11c, 11d, 11e, 11f, 12a, or 12b
 ► Attach to Form 990. ► See separate instructions.

Name of the organization
MONTANA BEEF COUNCIL**Employer identification number**
81-0388133**Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1 Total number at end of year		
2 Aggregate contributions to (during year)		
3 Aggregate grants from (during year)		
4 Aggregate value at end of year		

5 Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? Yes No

6 Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? Yes No

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1 Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

Preservation of land for public use (e.g., recreation or pleasure) Preservation of an historically importantly land area

Protection of natural habitat Preservation of a certified historic structure

Preservation of open space

2 Complete lines 2a-2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
2a	
2b	
2c	
2d	

3 Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ► _____

4 Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ► _____

5 Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds? Yes No

6 Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing conservation easements during the year ► _____

7 Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year

► \$ _____

8 Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)? Yes No

9 In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that describes the organization's accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets.

Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____

2 If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items

a Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1 ► \$ _____

b Assets included in Form 990, Part X ► \$ _____

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3 Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a Public exhibition **d** Loan or exchange programs
b Scholarly research **e** Other
c Preservation for future generations

4 Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5 During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection? Yes No

Part IV Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21? Yes No

b If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a) Current Year	(b) Prior Year	(c) Two Years Back	(d) Three Years Back	(e) Four Years Back
1a Beginning of year balance					
b Contributions					
c Investment earnings or losses					
d Grants or scholarships					
e Other expenditures for facilities and programs					
f Administrative expenses					
g End of year balance					

2 Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a Board designated or quasi-endowment ►

b Permanent endowment ►

c Term endowment ►

3a Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

(i) unrelated organizations	Yes	No
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(ii) related organizations	Yes	No
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b If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?	Yes	No
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4 Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds	Yes	No
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Part VI Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b) Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land				
b Buildings				
c Leasehold improvements		4,576	3,583	993
d Equipment		48,615	37,509	11,106
e Other		560	560	0
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).)				12,099

Part VII Investments—Other Securities. See Form 990, Part X, line 12.

(a) Description of security or category (including name of security)	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
(1) Financial derivatives		
(2) Closely-held equity interests		
Other		
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 12.) ►		

Part VIII Investments—Program Related. See Form 990, Part X, line 13.

(a) Description of investment type	(b) Book value	(c) Method of valuation Cost or end-of-year market value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 13.) ►		

Part IX Other Assets. See Form 990, Part X, line 15.

(a) Description	(b) Book value
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col.(B) line 15.) ►	

Part X Other Liabilities. See Form 990, Part X, line 25.

(a) Description of Liability	(b) Amount	
Federal Income Taxes		
Total. (Column (b) should equal Form 990, Part X, col (B) line 25.) ►		

2. Fin 48 (ASC 740) Footnote In Part XIV, provide the text of the footnote to the organization's financial statements that reports the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC740)

Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements

1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	1,794,154
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	1,849,903
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	-55,749
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	26,835
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	26,835
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	-28,914

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return

1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements	1	921,763
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments	2a	26,835
b	Donated services and use of facilities	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	26,835
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	894,928
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	899,226
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	899,226
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12)	5	1,794,154

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return

1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements	1	950,677
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments	2b	
c	Other losses	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d	2e	0
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1	3	950,677
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b	4a	
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	4b	899,226
c	Add lines 4a and 4b	4c	899,226
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18)	5	1,849,903

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b Also complete this part to provide any additional information

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PART XII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		PAYMENTS TO OTHER STATES-BEEF LEVY 10,952 PAYMENTS TO CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD 888,274
PART XIII, LINE 4B - OTHER ADJUSTMENTS		PAYMENTS TO OTHER STATES-BEEF LEVY 10,952 PAYMENTS TO CATTLEMEN'S BEEF BOARD 888,274

SCHEDULE O
(Form 990 or 990-EZ)Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service**Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ**

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.
► Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 11	AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR PRESENTS AN AUDIT REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AT OUR JANUARY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING THE 990 DOCUMENT IS MADE AVAILABLE TO ALL BOARD MEMBERS AT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING AFTER IT IS FILED
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 12C	QUESTIONS OR CONCERNS ARE TO BE DIRECTED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR THE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AFFIDAVITS AND OTHER INFORMATION IS THEN REVIEWED AND THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND PRESIDENT TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION DEPENDING UPON THE SERIOUSNESS OF THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST, WHICH MAY INCLUDE MEETING WITH THE INDIVIDUAL, IMMEDIATE DISCHARGE, OR ASKING THE INDIVIDUAL TO REMOVE HIMSELF FROM THE CONFLICT OF INTEREST SITUATION THE PROCEDURE IS OUTLINED IN THE MBC POLICY AND PROCEDURES MANUAL
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION B, LINE 15	THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR REPORTS TO THE BUDGET COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON KEY EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE THE BUDGET COMMITTEE THEN GOES INTO A CLOSED SESSION AND DECIDES ON COMPENSATION FOR ALL 3 EMPLOYEES WHICH IS PRESENTED TO THE FULL BOARD TO VOTE ON SALARIES ARE ALSO REVIEWED WITH OTHER BEEF COUNCILS FOR COMPARABILITY PURPOSES AND INFORMATION WAS PRESENTED TO THE BOARD
	FORM 990, PART VI, SECTION C, LINE 19	15,850 ANNUAL REPORTS WERE MAILED TO PRODUCERS THROUGH THE 5 MAJOR CATTLE PRODUCER ORGANIZATION NEWSLETTERS, AN ADDITIONAL 1000 REPORTS WERE PRINTED TO TAKE TO OTHER MEETINGS, INDIVIDUAL LETTERS AND OTHER REQUESTS EACH BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER RECEIVED A FINANCIAL REPORT FROM OUR AUDITING FIRM FINANCIAL INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON AN INDIVIDUAL BASIS AS REQUESTED
ALL OTHER FUNCTIONAL EXPENSES	FORM 990, PART X, LINE 24E	EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 57,928 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 57,928 PRODUCER COMMUNICATIONS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 51,164 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 51,164 BEEF SAFETY & ISSUES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 22,794 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 22,794 RETAIL PROGRAMS & MERCHANDISING PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 21,310 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 21,310 DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK FEES PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 11,224 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 11,224 PAYMENT OF LEVY OF OTHER STATES PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 10,952 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 10,952 FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 6,433 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 6,433 EQUIPMENT REPAIRS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 5,377 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 5,377 INFORMATION-HEALTH PROFESSIONALS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 5,276 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 5,276 TELEPHONE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 4,387 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 4,387 RESEARCH PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 3,000 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 0 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 3,000 POSTAGE PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 2,810 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 2,810 MISCELLANEOUS PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 2,108 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 2,108 DUES PROGRAM SERVICE EXPENSES 0 MANAGEMENT AND GENERAL EXPENSES 850 FUNDRAISING EXPENSES 0 TOTAL EXPENSES 850
CHANGES IN NET ASSETS OR FUND BALANCES	FORM 990, PART XI, LINE 5	NET UNREALIZED GAINS ON INVESTMENTS 26,835

Additional Data

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Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

4d. Other program services

(Code	(Expenses \$	140,162	Including grants of \$) (Revenue \$	164,341)
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THE CHECKOFF PROGRAM WAS DESIGNED TO STIMULATE OTHERS TO SELL MORE BEEF AND STIMULATE CONSUMERS TO BUY MORE BEEF. THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH INITIATIVES SUCH AS CONSUMER ADVERTISING, MARKETING PARTNERSHIPS, PUBLIC RELATIONS, EDUCATION, RESEARCH AND NEW-PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT