

Help make 'free range' meaningful for hens

Tightening the exceptions for providing access to the outdoor range so that access cannot be denied on a routine basis;

- Including a requirement that regulators consider the following in determining what “meaningful and regular access” means:
- Flock size and stocking densities inside the barn;
- Size of openings relative to the number of hens;
- Placement of physical structures and architecture inside the barn;
- The condition of the outdoor range including providing adequate shelter, foliage and vegetation; and
- The extent to which hens actually access the range.