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(S.D.)-Free Pits For Livestock Disposal Closing Next Week



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RAPID CITY, S.D. (ASSOCIATED PRESS) - Free drop sites taking carcasses of livestock killed in the early October blizzard will close next week.

The Pennington County Board of Commissioners voted Tuesday to close the Livestock Loss Drop Points near Owanka and Quinn on Thursday, November 14th.

The county says that since the sites opened October 14th, 487 carcasses have been removed from county rights of way and an unknown number of animals came from private land.

State officials have estimated that between 15,000 and 30,000 cattle were lost in the storm.