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China Livestock Team Supports Chinese Swine Industry

The ASA-IM China Livestock Team continues working with preferred customers, focusing on improving technical levels for the Beijing Swine Breeding Center (BSBC). The state-owned BSBC is an important swine breeding and genetic improvement entity in China who recently merged with Huadu Pig Breeding Company and owns over 10,000 breeding sows. They plan to significantly expand their swine breeding and production.

Three China Technical Directors, Drs. M.Y. Huang (livestock), Sam Shi (swine) and Y.M. Han (poultry), gave presentations on piglet feeding and management, quality control of soybean meal and advancements in the U.S. swine industry. The team also visited BSBC's new breeding farm, which has 400 purebred sows in a well designed and equipped farm.

The unique feature of this farm is that a corridor with a sealed glass window on one side of the pig pens was installed to allow visitors and trainees to view all the farm operations while physically separating visitors from entering the animal living space and maintaining the needed bio-security standard. This will be an excellent venue for future training programs. These programs help Chinese swine producers attain the best animal performance in maximizing economic benefit by teaching, superior genetic improvements, keeping optimum nutrition management, and minimizing disease outbreak. China already produces half of the world's pork and, as the industry continues to grow, so will the use of U.S. soybeans.



The Livestock Team see swine farm through viewing corridor.



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