



LEATHER AND HIDE

COUNCIL OF AMERICA

The Leather Value Chain
Traceability and Due Diligence

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Who we are

Established in 1917

Represents, Hides and Skins, Tanners and Leather
Manufactures

Supports Leather Industry with 35-50% of the Worlds
Trade in Hides and Wet Blue

Sponsors Consumer Education through the
Real Leather. Stay Different. Campaign

[see <https://www.choosereal leather.com/>]

Supports Industry Sustainability Objectives

- Leather is Renewable, Recyclable and Biodegradable
- Leather production diverts over 4 million metric tons of CO² equivalents annually from the supply chain



Leather Supply Chain Risk

Where your leather comes from matters...

- Protecting the environmental matters
- Basic human rights matter
- Business reputation is on the line

Due diligence principles dictate that managing supply chain depends on mitigating the hazards that matter.

- Land Use
- Environmental stewardship
- Animal Welfare
- Human Rights

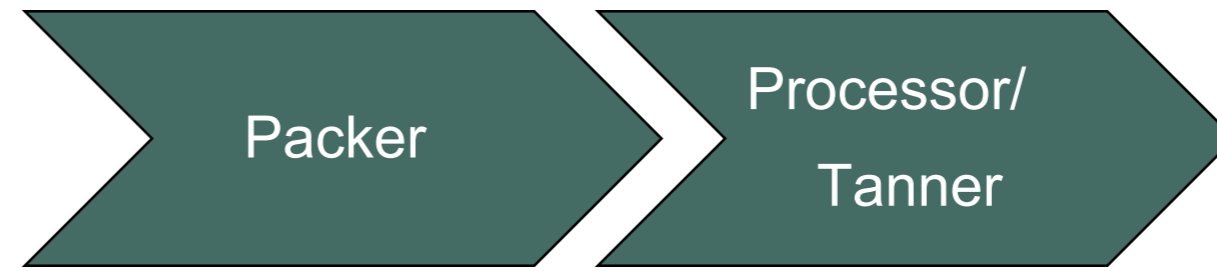


Traceability Program

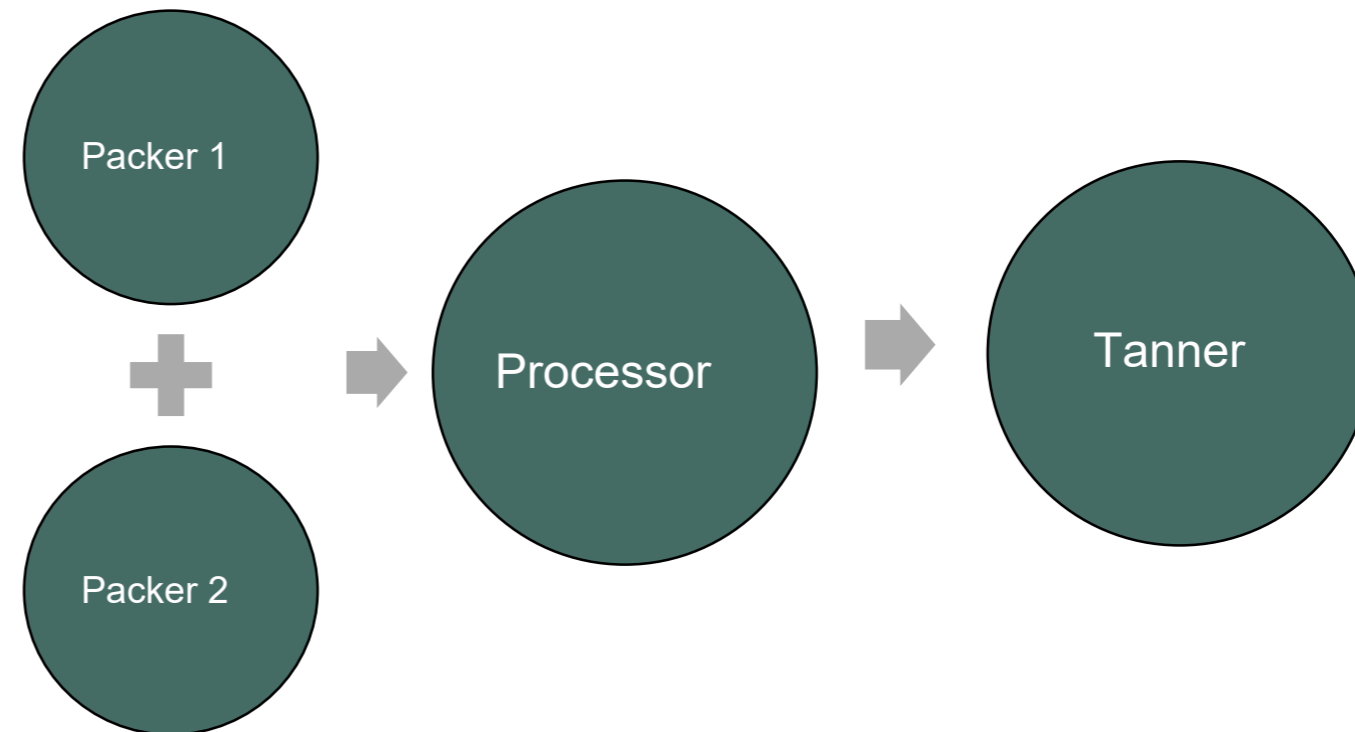
- Provides independently certified traceability to leather industry for all U.S. Hides/Skins back to a point of origin.
- Certifies traceability of hides/skin to either Meatpacking Plant or Processing Plant of Origin in U.S.
- All U.S. hides and skins are eligible for traceability under the program.
- Flexible: does not mandate a specific traceability system or technology be utilized.
- Independently audited and certified by the U.S. Department of Agriculture

Protocol Flow: General

Meatpacker Protocol
Traceable to the packer



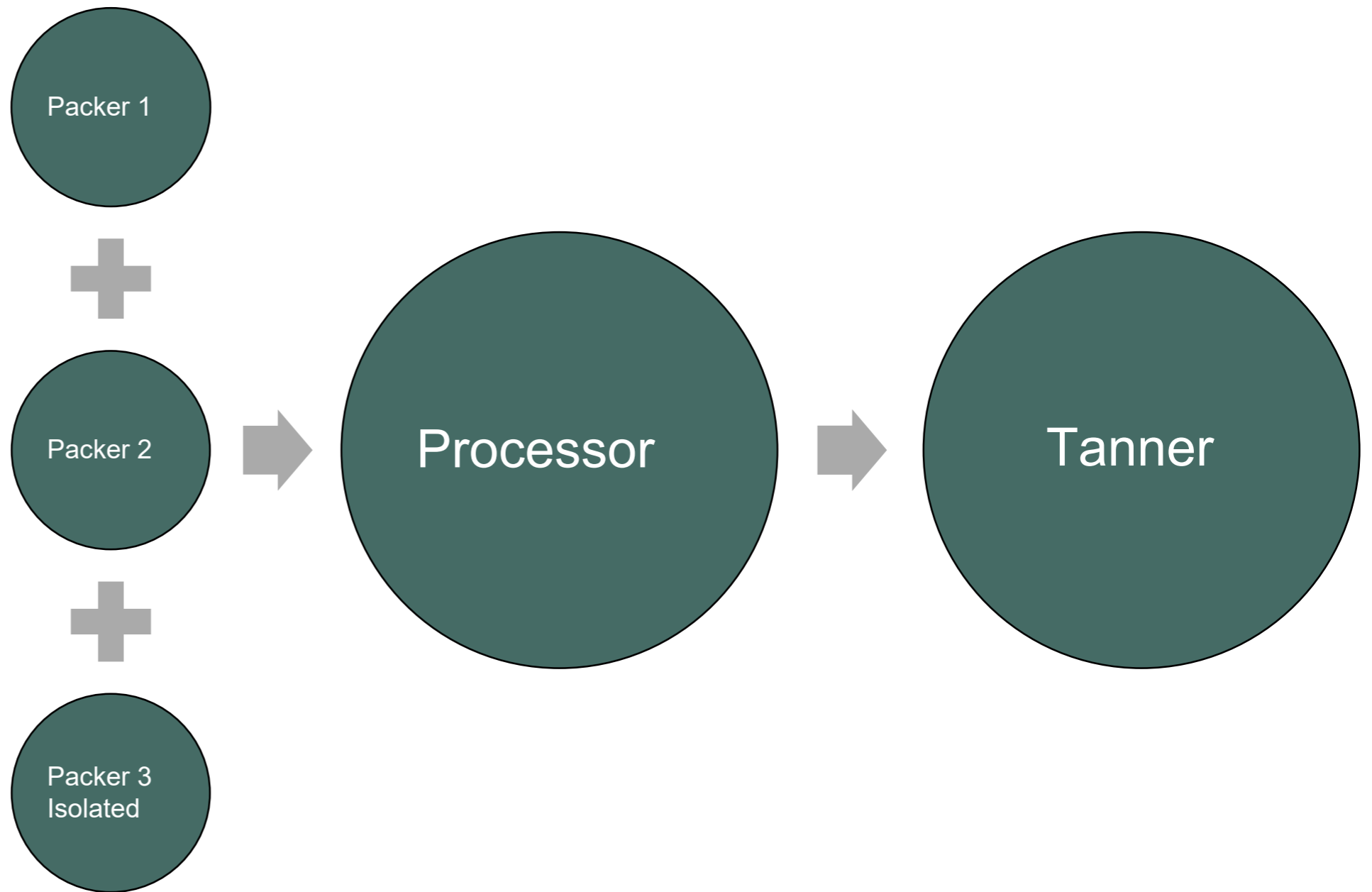
Processor Protocol
Traceable to the processor



Protocol Flow: Hybrid

Hybrid Protocol

- Traceable to the processor for unidentified hides from multiple packers
- Traceable to the meatpacker for hides isolated through the supply chain



Certificate of Traceability

- After traceability system is approved to meet one of the three protocols, a Certificate of Traceability will be issued to the company.
- The Certificate of Traceability will show the Approved Protocol; Approval #; Effective Date and Expiration date – as certified by USDA.
- Certificate of Traceability may be included in hide/skin shipment documents delivered to Leather Tannery and supply chain partners (Manufacturer/Brand/Retail). May include additional product information.
- Company will be Listed as Approved on USDA and USHSLA Website

Operation	Marketing Claim	Products	Verification Information
Harland M. Braun & Co. 4010 Whiteside Street Los Angeles, CA 90063 Contact: Gene Beenders, VP Operations Phone: 323-263-9275 Email: Gene@braunexp.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United States Hide, Skin and Leather Association (USHSLA) Hides and Skins Voluntary Traceability Program Type of Certification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hide Processing House Certification 	Livestock: Bovine (Beef) for hides	Verified by: Livestock and Poultry Program Quality Assessment Division Approval No: V00058BGA Effective Date: February 27, 2020 Renewal Date: February 27, 2021
Twin City Hide, Inc. 491 Malden Street South St. Paul, MN 55075 Contact: Bradley Grove, VP Operations Phone: 651-455-1511 Email: b.grove@tchide.com	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • United States Hide, Skin and Leather Association (USHSLA) Hides and Skins Voluntary Traceability Program Type of Certification: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Hide Processing House Certification 	Livestock: Bovine (Beef and Bison) for hides	Verified by: Livestock and Poultry Program Quality Assessment Division Approval No: V09255EEA Effective Date: September 12, 2019

Thank you

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