Livestock Emergency Response Plan Participant Workbook

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X. DIRECTION, CONTROL, AND COORDINATION
This section should describe the framework for all FEAD response related direction, control, and coordination. It should identify the authorities responsible for initiating the response and recovery activities relating to a FEAD incident. Information in this section should include a description of the conditions which, when present, triggers the lead agency to take command of an incident.

1. What authorities are required to implement the LERP?

2. What authorities are necessary to initiate recovery?

3. How do the lead agency/agencies assume command of an incident?

4. How have the lead and support agencies addressed the need for NIMS and ICS training?

5. What does a graphical representation of the proposed command structure look like?

6. Describe how the state EOC interacts with the ICS during a FEAD response.
XI. INFORMATION COLLECTION AND RESOURCES
This section describes the type of information needed, where it is expected to come from, who uses the information, how the information is shared, and the format by which the information will be shared, along with any specific times when the information will be needed.

1. What information needs to be developed and distributed to responders?

2. Who is responsible for content development?

3. What medium for delivery needs to be utilized for dissemination of public information during incident response and recovery?

4. Who acts as the spokesperson for dissemination of public information?

5. Who will be responsible for creating Incident Action Plans (IAPs) and Situation Reports (SitReps)? Who updates these reports and how often will they be updated?

6. Who will receive the IAPs and SitReps?

7. Identify data systems that will be utilized by response agencies (EMRS, WebEOC, USAHerd, etc.)
XII. COMMUNICATIONS
This section describes communication protocols between response organizations and coordination procedures used during emergencies and disasters. It does not describe communications hardware or specific procedures found in departmental standard operating procedures or guidelines.

1. Are all of the parties involved in the response plan aware of existing communications channels?

2. What methods will be used to coordinate communication between response agencies?

3. What techniques and technologies will be utilized for communications between response agencies?

4. Is there a secure system in place to handle sensitive information?

XIII. ADMINISTRATION, FINANCE, and LOGISTICS

1. What emergency actions would require significant state support?

2. What are the state's sources of federal and non-federal emergency funding?

3. Are there state statutes that address emergency funding?
4. How will donations be handled?

5. If veterinary products are needed for the response, will standard procurement procedures be used?

6. What Memoranda of Understanding (MOU) or Mutual Aid Agreements (MAA) exist to support a livestock/FEAD emergency response?

7. What MOU’s or MAAs need to be developed to support a livestock/FEAD emergency response?

8. How will resources necessary for the response be monitored, delivered, and allocated?

9. How are local agencies, groups, and producers educated on keeping adequate/accurate records?

10. What assets would be accessible through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC)?
Emergency Management Assistance Compacts (EMACs) and Mutual Aid Agreements (MAAs)

1. What situations during a livestock emergency response would benefit from participation in an EMAC or having a pre-existing MAA?

2. What governmental agencies and/or private organizations might be important to involve in a pre-existing MAA?

3. Who is responsible for requesting assistance from an EMAC or utilizing an MAA?

4. How does your state EMAC ask for resources?

5. How is a MAA activated?

6. Who within the state would be responsible for establishing EMAC or MAA relationships?

7. What is the payment channel through which EMAC’s and MAA participants would be reimbursed?
XIV. PLAN DEVELOPMENT AND MAINTENANCE

1. What agency or department is responsible for plan development and maintenance? Is there a specific person or job description this duty can be tied to?

2. How will exercise After-Action Reports be used to update the LERP?

3. What other information sources will be important in updating the LERP?

4. How often will the LERP be scheduled for updating?

5. Who will have the responsibility of updating the contact lists attached to the LERP and how often will those updates occur?

6. When updates occur, how will they be shared with responders and supporting agencies and how will those entities be notified of the updates?

7. What training is available for agencies and organizations involved with a FEAD emergency response?
8. Are there opportunities for agencies involved in FEAD emergency response to train together to encourage a unified and coordinated response?

9. How does the state test the preparedness of responders or the efficacy of the LERP?

10. What agencies and other supporting groups for a FEAD response are involved with training and exercises?

11. How does retraining for agencies or other groups based on exercise outcomes or lessons learned occur?

12. What levels of education and training are needed for the responders?

13. How will exercises be used to educate the responders and the public?

14. What subject matter experts (SMEs) will be used to evaluate and critique the LERP?
XV. AUTHORITIES AND REFERENCES

1. What authorities exist to specifically deal with the unique requirements of a FEAD emergency response (i.e., emergency declaration, access to livestock or facilities, inspection, quarantine, embargo, and destruction and disposal of livestock)?

2. Are there differing authorities relating to poultry vs. livestock?

3. Are there disease-specific authorities?

4. What FEAD emergency response actions will require additional or revised authorities for the responding agencies?

5. What federal and state statutes related to FEAD emergencies have the potential for conflict and how will this be resolved?

6. Do authorities exist for adoption of emergency rules?