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# National Veterinary Stockpile

"Science-Based Logistics Improving Disease Response"

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# NATIONAL VETERINARY STOCKPILE



# Our Purpose

The National Veterinary Stockpile (NVS) is the nation's repository of supplies, vaccines, equipment, and other critical veterinary resources. Established by Homeland Security Presidential Directive 9 and operational in 2006, we are able to deploy large quantities of veterinary resources anywhere in the continental U.S. within 24 hours.

We exist because of the nation's concern after 9/11 that terrorists could release animal diseases of catastrophic proportions that would

- deplete State and local response inventories.
- generate surge material requirements that would overwhelm traditional commercial sources, and
- prevent unaffected States from providing significant help for fear of the threat crossing their borders.

#### Our Goals

- Deploy countermeasures against the 17 worst animal diseases including Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza, Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Rift Valley Fever, Exotic Newcastle Disease, and Classical Swine Fever.
- Help states, before an event, plan for and exercise the rapid request, receipt, processing, and distribution of the NVS during an event.

#### Our Value

We provide the Department of Agriculture's Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) new, significantly improved support for responding to animal diseases.

### Science-based Logistics

Previously, specialists responding to an outbreak managed their own logistics support as an ad hoc effort frequently by assigning it to junior personnel. Our logistics experts now

- Focus exclusively on the logistics of disease response,
- Coordinate logistics planning—including that for catastrophes—before an event,

- Help states plan and exercise before an event for rapidly requesting, receiving, processing, and delivering the massive resources we will deliver,
- Manage time certain delivery of resources during an event within 24 hours to anywhere in the continental U.S.

# Critical Support Delivered Rapidly

- Vaccines an alternative to destroying infected and potentially exposed animals when the scale of an outbreak makes the exclusive use of depopulation unlikely.
- Personal protective equipment for responders.
- Vaccine application equipment
- Depopulation equipment and supplies
- Satellite communications equipment reliable voice and data capabilities anywhere in any situation.
- Decontamination supplies
- 3D (depopulation, disposal, decontamination) commercial support services to States that need additional, trained personnel to respond.