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ACTIVATION

- ESF 11** Mission Assignment (MA) was received in requesting Fish and Wildlife Service (FWS) assistance with stream restoration projects and to ensure compliance with relevant environmental laws. FWS HQ is working with their Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Region V and NY Field Office staff to provide staffing to the MA, with four individuals having already been deployed in support of the MA. The projected end date will be in June 2012, but it is possible that it may be extended through the summer months.

TRAINING

- ESF 11** ESF 11 Western Region Meeting: 1-day training development workshop for Animals in Disaster Multiagency Coordination, 1-day coordination with western region programs and dispatch, 1-day ESF 11 coordinators sharing lessons learned, coordinate with partner agencies, and discuss nationally consistent ESF 11 program in the 5 western FEMA regions. A tour of the National Wildlife Research Center was provided by Wildlife Services and a team-building exercise using Strengths Finder 2.0 by PPO professional development center, Fort Collins, CO on April 10, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V provided ESF 11 Training for Desk Officers and partner agencies in East Lansing, MI on April 25, 2012. Participants were from the following agencies: (1) The Michigan Department of Agriculture; (2) The Michigan Department of Human Services; (3) APHIS Animal Care, APHIS Plant Protection & Quarantine, APHIS Veterinary Service, APHIS Investigative and Enforcement Service; (4) USDA Food Safety and Inspection Service; (5) USDA Farm Service Agency; (6) and the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Desk Officer Training – ESF 11 Coordinators provide training to USDA and stakeholder agencies to ensure preparedness for ESF 11 Activation: (1) Tumwater, WA on April 24, 2012; (2) USDA State Emergency Board Meetings – ESF 11 Coordinators provide an update to Board members on ESF 11 preparedness activities: (1) Oklahoma City, OK on April 25-26, 2012; (2) Ames, IA on April 18, 2012; and (3) Alexandria, LA on May 15, 2012.

EXERCISES



- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the FEMA Region I National Level Exercise (NLE) 2012 Table Top Exercise (TTX) Final Planning Conference on April 3, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the Regional Interagency Steering Committee (RISC)/Radiological Response Team 1 (RRT1) Workshop on April 10, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II participated in the FEMA Region I RISC meeting and tabletop exercise April 10-11, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I served as evaluator in the FEMA Region I RISC/RRT1 Exercise on April 11, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V participated in the NATO Consequence Management TTX, April 13, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA R VIII coordinated participation of APHIS and partner agencies in Shake Out 2012 simulating 7.0 Earthquake in Salt Lake City, UT. After-Action Report posted on ESF 11 website under exercise AARs. Denver, CO and Salt Lake City, UT April 17-19, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the New England Dairy Exercise Final Planning Conference on April 19, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the FEMA Region I RISC/RRT1 AAR on April 20, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA R VI submitted final edits on the Exercise Manual and Controller/Evaluator Handbooks for the Food Security Exercise 2012. Prepared agenda and hosted final teleconference with USDA exercise participants, Denton, TX on April 23, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI hosted final planning meeting for Food Security Exercise 2012 with Oklahoma Veterinary Services, Oklahoma City, OK on April 25-26, 2012.

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EXERCISE

-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II participated in the FEMA Region II Puerto Rico Earthquake and Tsunami Plan tabletop exercise April 25-27, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participates in the Georgia Emergency Management Avian Influenza Exercise April 30 and May 1, 2012.

AWARDS

-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II received a letter of recognition for continued support of the DHS National NIMS Animal Emergency Working Group.

CURRENT PROJECTS

-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X connected WA Department of Agriculture with OR Lane County lead for animal emergency response in light of recent flooding deployments for animal issues, Olympia, WA on April 2, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X participated in FEMA Region X Radiological Advisory Committee with the nuclear power plant utility in WA to review updated Radiological Emergency Plan and NUCLEAR regulations impact on counties/states and consider appropriate places in documents to include animal issues, Richland, WA on April 3, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX attended the FEMA Regional Interagency Steering Committee where revisions to draft plans (including NRF and Medical Countermeasures) were coordinated. Oakland, CA on April 3, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X met with Animal Care resource coordination, Yakima, WA on April 4, 2012.

CURRENT PROJECTS

-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VIII attended the EPA Regional Response Team meeting . Discussion of Suiter-Makris memo outlining response authority between Stafford Act and National Contingency Plan. Denver, CO on April 4-5, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X provided animal decontamination overview as technical topic update at ESF 11 staff meeting, on April 6, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X attended the WA Department of Health Zoonotic Disease workshop which included VS One Health talk and participants from US Army Public Health Command, state and local health departments, Tumwater, WA on April 13, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X attended the WA Department of Agriculture/Food and Drug Administration Food Emergency Rapid Response Team Planning Committee meeting which will transition to a WA State Food Protection Task Force and invite new agencies with food safety/security role, Kent, WA on April 17, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI met with USDA OIG, FBI weapons of mass destruction coordinator, and state law enforcement to discuss agro-terrorism preparedness, Denton, TX on April 16, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VII attended the EPA Region VII Regional Response Team meeting and co-facilitated the carcass disposal subcommittee. Kansas City, MO on April 17-18, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V continues to participate in the Region V State/AC Monthly Conference Call providing input on Medical Countermeasures and an update on NATO planning, April 18, 2012.

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CURRENT PROJECTS

- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX participated in the Improvised Nuclear Device Response workgroup call, Healdsburg, CA and the California Animal Response Emergency steering committee call, Mather, CA on April 19, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI co-sponsoring agriculture-focused Drought Workshop to brainstorm "what if" scenarios for drought. Drafted agenda topics and invited state/federal/academic stakeholders on April 20, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX provided briefing on ESF 11 to California Department of Government Services Administration, Sacramento, CA on April 24, 2012.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX contacted by FEMA regarding BSE case in Central Valley. Reference materials from the State Emergency Board and Veterinary Services provided, on April 24, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on RISC Steering Committee Workgroup.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Maine Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on the NLE 2012 Exercise Planning Committee.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participating on the New England Dairy Exercise Planning Committee.

CURRENT PROJECTS

- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team merge with Volunteer New Hampshire.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ and FEMA regarding the NJ's Feeding Plan.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the FEMA Strategic National Risk Assessment Working Group.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the FEMA All-hazards Planning Working Group.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI conducting ESF 11 preparedness meeting for Texas with federal and state agencies.
- ESF 11** ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX met with FEMA Individual Assistance sheltering contacts to outline communication strategies with state counterparts.

PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in the FEMA Region IV Private Sector Pilot Project Planning Session #6 April 2, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III attended the PA Agro-terrorism Working Group Meeting, April 3, 2012.

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PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V participated in the IL-IN-WI Regional Catastrophic Preparedness Grant Program Meeting, April 5, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III maintained contact with state agencies and provided situational awareness during VA wildfires, April 10-20, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated the RRT1 Meeting on April 12, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V met with FEMA Operations regarding Medical Countermeasures for ESFs, April 13, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV took part in in the FEMA Region IV Private Sector Pilot Project Planning Session #7 April 16, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in the FEMA R4 Individual Assistance conference call April 17, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the FEMA Region I New England Preparedness Webinar on April 18, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III maintained contact with state agencies and provided situational awareness during PA Nor'easter, April 21-23, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in UGA contractor's SAADRA Exercise Planning Group conference call April 23, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency Statewide Animal Shelter Workgroup on April 24, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V participated in the NATO/G8 Consequence Management Subcommittee Meetings, April 11 & 24, 2012.

PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the VS New England H3N2 Webinar on April 25, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV took part in VS PL EMOI conference calls April 18 and April 27, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in IND Animal Issues workgroup April 27, 2012.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will participate in the GA USDA SEB meeting June 5, 2012.
- ESF 11** Guam/CNMI Pakyo Emergency Operations Center Exercise, on June 12-14, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will attend FEMA Region IV RRCC Devolution training June 19, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will take part in the NLE 2012 Region IV Devolution Exercise June 20, 2012.
- ESF 11** FEMA Region IX Regional Interagency Steering Committee meeting Oakland, CA on June 20, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will participate in a VTC during the APHIS FMD TTX June, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will attend the Region IV Individual Assistance Conference in Atlanta June 26-28, 2012.
- ESF 11** The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will take part in Region IV and VI Regional Response Team Conference in Atlanta July 31-Aug 2, 2012.