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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 The ESF11 National Meeting was held on May 9-10, 2012. The meeting served as a means to ensure readiness on the national, regional, and local levels, enhancing APHIS, USDA, and interagency abilities to respond to, and recover from major disasters.

ESF 11 FEMA Region III provided an ESF11 Overview to Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture May 24, 2012.

TRAINING

ESF 11 Emergency Support Function (ESF) 11 Desk Officer Training was provided to USDA and stakeholder agencies to ensure readiness at the National and Regional levels for the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) activations:

- FEMA Region I, provided training to the Defense Coordinating Element on May 4, 2012.
- National Response Coordination Center (NRCC), Regional ESF 11 Coordinator from FEMA Regions III and IX, along with the National Coordinator conducted training for the NRCC ESF 11 Activation Staff on May 7, 2012.
- FEMA Region VII provided virtual training for APHIS Investigative and Enforcement Services at Lee's Summit, MO on May 14-16, 2012.

EXERCISES

ESF 11 The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the FEMA All-hazards Planning Working Group. Participated in Improved Nuclear Device (IND) Animal Issues Workgroup on May 1, 2012.

ESF 11 The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in the USDA Georgia Emergency Management AI Exercise on April 30 and May 1, 2012.

ESF 11 ESF 11 Coordination in FEMA Region VII continues National Level Exercise (NLE) 2012 Amber Waves preparedness on May 1, 2012.

ESF 11 The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the FEMA Region I NLE 2012 Capstone Final Planning Conference on May 3, 2012.

ESF 11 Food and Nutrition Services (FNS) Disaster Coordinators Meeting: FNS Office of Emergency Management (OEM) hosted an all-day meeting for the FNS Regional Disaster Coordinators and members of the FNS ESF11 team that serve at FEMA's NRCC. OEM provided updates and discussed coordinators' roles and responsibilities, Food Distribution Division provided a briefing on USDA Foods in disasters, Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) provided an update on Disaster SNAP, and meeting participants shared lessons learned from past responses and exercises on May 8, 2012.

ESF 11 The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV took part in the FEMA Region IV's Private Sector Pilot Project Final Planning Session May 3, 2012.

ESF 11 ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI completed a FEMA/Louisiana Hurricane Regional Operations Center Drill walking through "H-Hour" Timeline starting at H-120 comparing state/federal actions for ESF 11 Carville, LA on May 17, 2012.





ESF 11 ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X coordinating with ESF 6 partners in preparation for Evergreen Quake on May, 18, 2012.

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EXERCISE

-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the USDA NLE 2012 Final Planning Conference on May 21, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV took part in FEMA Region Private Sector Project Workshop Debrief May 21, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participated in the Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency Statewide Animal Shelter Workgroup on May 22, 2012.
-  Hurricane Preparation Exercise: FNS Staff from the Southeast Regional Office participated in an annual Hurricane Preparation Exercise at the Florida Emergency Operations Center in Tallahassee, Florida from May 20-24. Representatives from emergency feeding organizations, food vendors, and state and federal agencies participated as part of a feeding task force that needed to respond to a Category 3 hurricane.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX participated in Golden Guardian Exercise for oil/hazardous material response Oakland, CA on May 21-22, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI represented the department in an Agriculture focused Drought Workshop with FEMA and Texas Department of Agriculture. Question of food production during loss of irrigation water and potential for crop insurance coverage raised in planning efforts. Austin, TX, May 22, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI continues to plan for facilitation of an ICS exercise for USDA OIG Emergency Response Team next month

CURRENT PROJECTS

-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V continued to participate in the NATO/G8 Consequence Management Subcommittee with a site visit of the FEMA IMAT at the State Forward Operations Base (SFOB), Glen Ellyn, IL May 17, 2012
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VIII assisting FEMA in preparation with curriculum and instructors for "pet first-aid" sessions at July RISC meeting Denver, CO May 30, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on Regional Interagency Steering Committee (RISC) Workgroup.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Maine Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on the NLE 2012 Exercise Planning Committee.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team merge with Volunteer New Hampshire.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ Department of Agriculture regarding County Animal Response Team (CART) disaster preparedness.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the Strategic National Risk Assessment Working Group.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VII continues Tribal Outreach Working Group participation as part of the Missouri River Flooding Task Force.

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CURRENT PROJECTS

-  ESF 11 Staff working on updated National Response Framework, and Interagency Operation Plan for Response.
-  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 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 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 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.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on RISC Steering Committee Workgroup.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting Maine Emergency Management Agency on the Animal Sheltering Workgroup.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I serving on the NLE 2012 Exercise Planning Committee.

CURRENT PROJECTS

-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I participating on the New England Dairy Exercise Planning Committee.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I assisting New Hampshire Disaster Animal Response Team merge with Volunteer New Hampshire.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ and FEMA regarding the NJ's Feeding Plan.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the FEMA Strategic National Risk Assessment Working Group.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III is serving on the FEMA All-hazards Planning Working Group.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI conducting ESF 11 preparedness meeting for Texas with federal and state agencies.
-  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 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX provided update on Draft O-Plan and Annex development and future goals and expectations for the FEMA IND Response workgroup on May 1, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V participated in the Region V RISC Meeting, May 1-2, 2012.

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PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V participated in the Region V ESFLG Meeting focusing on NATO staffing, May 2, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V met with FEMA regarding City of Chicago MCM Plan for Federal workers, May 2, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in University of Georgia's Southern Agriculture and Animal Disaster Response Alliance Exercise Planning Group conference call May 2, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X provided update on emergency response and veterinary medicine to the US Army Public Health Command Veterinarians at Joint Base Lewis-McChord on May 4, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X coordinated with USDA Food Safety and Inspection Services (FSIS) Office of Public Health Science regarding coordination of USDA response with ESF 8 (HHS – FDA) and WA and OR State partners on May 3, 2012 and attended FSIS Public Health and Epidemiology Liaison Outreach meeting on May 11, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V developed a two week Desk Officer Contingency Staff Schedule for the NATO Summit, May 14, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV participated in the FEMA Region IV's Individual Assistance conference call May 15, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V was on alert for the NATO Summit from May 15-May 22, 2012.
-  USDA State Emergency Board Meetings – ESF 11 Coordinators provide an update to Board members on ESF 11 in Alexandria, LA on May 15, 2012.

PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES




-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX reviewed draft Emergency Animal Disease Guidance and Pretreatment of Disposable Foods documents as part of Emergency Food Disposal workgroup on May 15, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III participated in FEMA's Think Tank Conference Call on "Planning for Recovery" May 16, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region VI completed final 2012 Hurricane Planning Synchronization with Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry matching the state and federal "H-Hour" timelines and clarifying expectations for household pet and incident command resource support. Baton Rouge, LA on May 16, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region X invited to the Pacific NW Cross Border Health meeting Tacoma, WA on May 17, 2012.
-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IX met with FEMA and American Red Cross to outline topics and categories of potential ARFs that the state might submit during an event Oakland, CA on May 17, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III attended the FEMA Region III Regional Interagency Steering Committee meeting May 17, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I met with State, NARSC and IFAW partners on May 18, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III attended the Pennsylvania Department of Agriculture Emergency Management Committee meeting May 24, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV attended the Fourth International Animal Disposal Symposium May 22-24, 2012.

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PREPAREDNESS ACTIVITIES

-  ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA R VII revisiting with FEMA the Agriculture planning proposal from 2009 and preparing for “scoping” meeting with state, federal, tribal, and private sector May 25, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ and FEMA regarding the NJ’s Feeding Plan.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region II is working with NJ Department of Agriculture regarding CART disaster preparedness.

UPCOMING EVENTS

-  ESF 11 Headquarter Staff , along with FEMA Region I will participate in NLE 2012 , Jun 4 – 7, 2012.
-  Evergreen Quake 2012 Exercise at FEMA Region X on June 4-7, 2012.
-  ESF 11 joint state and federal After Action conference call for Shake Out Earthquake Exercise will be conducted on June 4, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will participate in the GA USDA SEB meeting June 5, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V will participate in the “FLU at the Zoo” TTX in Bloomington, IL Jun 6, 2012.
-  NLE 2012 Amber Waves technical workshop Kansas City, KS on June 6-7, 2012 and tabletop exercise Kansas City, MO on July 16-20, 2012.
-  Guam/CNMI Pakyo Emergency Operations Center Exercise, on June 12-14, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region V will participate in the SEB Meeting in Madison, WI Jun 14, 2012.

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-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will attend FEMA Region IV RRCC Devolution training June 19, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will take part in the NLE 2012 Region IV Devolution Exercise June 20, 2012.
-  FEMA Region IX Regional Interagency Steering Committee meeting Oakland, CA on June 20, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will participate in a VTC during the APHIS FMD TTX June, 2012.
-  All-Hazards Summit Dallas, TX on June 21, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV has been requested to participate in the APHIS FMD TTX Jun 25-28, 2012.
-  Region VI Regional Response Coordination Center Exercise Denton, TX on June 25-28, 2012.
-  The ESF 11 Coordinator in FEMA Region IV will attend the Region IV Individual Assistance Conference in Atlanta June 26-28, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region I will participate in the FEMA Region I RISC Meeting on Jun 28, 2012.
-  The ESF11 Coordinator in FEMA Region III will attend FNS Mid Atlantic Regional Conference Jun, 2012.
-  National Congress of American Indians – Tribal Emergency Management and Homeland Security – Food and Agriculture Conference Lincoln, MO on July 30-31, 2012.
-  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.