

2019 SART PLANNING CONFERENCE

May 29 - 31, 2019
Program

St. Pete Beach, FL
Sirata Beach Resort
Conference Center,
Majestic Palm 2nd Floor



FLORIDA SART

State Agricultural Response Team

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2. Hotel Registration
3. Business Center
4. Car Rental Service
5. Convention Center
6. Bark Boulevard - Dog Walking
7. Wag West - Dog Walking
8. Extreme Gaming Room / Xbox One
9. The Deck
10. North Pool
11. Sprouts Splash Zone
12. Beach Walk
13. Beach Kids Playground
14. Beach Cabana/Chair Rentals
15. Guest Laundry
16. Sweat Fitness
17. Parker Palm - Reception Area
18. Sirata Sprouts
19. Promenade
20. Seabreeze Trading Company
21. South Pool/Hot Tub
22. Rum Tiki Hut
23. Coconut Palm Pavilion Tent
24. Sunset Tiki Deck
25. Suncoast Watersports Hut
26. Poolside Cabanas
27. Breezeway

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WELCOME



On behalf of the Florida State Agricultural Response Team (SART), I would like to welcome you to our 2019 SART Planning Conference! We are very excited to bring you this year's conference program focused on providing you with preparedness, response, and recovery resources. But not just any resources. We are specifically providing you with animal care and agricultural resources that you can integrate into your disaster planning.

Much has happened over the last several years. Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma, Maria, and Michael necessitated a significant animal and agricultural response for our state. Mass evacuation resulted in over 21,000 pets sheltered and over 100 pet-friendly shelters in Hurricane Irma alone; over 3 million acres were treated for mosquito control; hundreds of responders provided critical assessment and supply relief for animal health and safety needs; and Florida experienced overwhelming losses of over \$5 billion in value to its production agriculture in just a few storms. Don't forget about diseases in Florida like Zika and New World Screwworm that also necessitated hundreds of responders and thousands of hours to protect public health and wildlife. It takes a team to pull this off.

These events emphasized that resources and capabilities must be shared by multiple agencies to achieve a coordinated and efficient response; it required strong collaboration between our nongovernmental organizations, local, state, and federal governments. By pooling our experiences and resources, SART has been able to identify needed tools that will ensure a quicker, more unified, and effective response to natural disasters and emergency situations on all levels. Our Florida SART partners want to share those resources with you.

During this conference, I invite you to meet with our SART leaders and experts in the fields of animal care and agriculture, learn about their resources available to you, and how to utilize these resources before, during and after a disaster. We hope you enjoy the conference.

Sincerely,

LeiAnna Tucker

*Co-Emergency Coordinating Officer, Emergency Support Function 17
Administrator, Florida SART
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services*

Purpose of conference

Sponsored by the Florida State Agricultural Response Team (SART), the 2019 SART Planning Conference is a statewide conference serving Florida's county emergency management professionals and SART partner agencies. The purpose of the conference is to present a statewide forum where SART leaders and experts in the fields of animal care and agriculture can share best practices and resources for integrating animal care and agriculture into disaster planning.



SPEAKER BIOS



Laura Bevan

Southeast Regional Director, The Humane Society of the United States

Laura has been involved in disaster planning and response in Florida since Hurricane Andrew in 1992, including the development of the state's first disaster plan for animals and the concept and promotion of pet-friendly shelters.



Ben Burns

Major, Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Section Commander over Domestic Security, Intelligence and Analysis, Emergency Response.



Greg Christy

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

State Emergency Support Function 17 Co-Emergency Coordinating Officer.



Zachary Conlin

Bureau Chief of Dairy Industry, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Regulates Grade "A" and Manufacturing grade dairy production and processing in the state of Florida.



Lisa Conti

Director of Strategic Initiatives and Chief Science Officer
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Remain curious.



Brenton Cox

Region IV Emergency Coordinator, United States Department of Agriculture, APHIS, Animal Care

Brenton has been with the government since 2004 and works as Federal Emergency and Disaster Response Plans Chief and Coordinator during federally declared events.



Lawrence Garcia, DVM

Medical Director, University of Florida Veterinary Emergency Treatment Service Team

Dr. Garcia is trained in field triage, treatment, surgery, and hospitalization of small domestic animals.



Consie von Gontard

Director, Florida State Animal Response Coalition

Consie von Gontard has 15yrs experience in Emergency Animal Sheltering in the U.S. and internationally, her disaster response experience includes everything from hurricanes and tsunamis to a volcano.



Lynn Grattan

Professor of Neurology, Epidemiology and Public Health, University of Maryland School of Medicine

Dr. Grattan is a neuropsychologist and researcher of coastal communities in distress.



Kevin Guthrie

Deputy Director, Florida Division of Emergency Management

Appointed by Governor Ron DeSantis as Deputy Director of FDEM, Kevin's primary focus is coordinating efforts among all state agencies, counties, and municipalities in dealing with natural and man-made disasters to ensure that all of Florida is prepared for whatever may come in the future.





Mary Hartney

President, Florida Fertilizer & Agrichemical Association

Passionate Ag-vocate for fertilizer and pesticide companies helping Florida growers succeed.



Dr. Matt Herson

Associate Professor and Extension Beef Cattle Specialist, UF/IFAS

Associate Professor and Extension Beef Cattle Specialist at UF/IFAS and co-director of the Livestock Education and Certification for Agriculture Law Enforcement (LECALE) program.



Dusty Holley

Director of Field Services, Florida Cattlemen's Association

Dusty Holley is a seventh generation Floridian, whose family has had cattle in the state since the 1820's, a graduate of the University of Florida, and a former Senior Policy Advisor in Washington, D.C.



Colleen C. Larson

Regional Dairy Extension Agent, UF/IFAS

Colleen provides dairy extension programs, agri-tourism activities, and participates in research on dairies in south central Florida.



Robert King

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"The needs of the many outweigh the needs of the few or the one"
— Spock.



Angie Lindsey

Assistant Professor, University of Florida

Angie B. Lindsey is an assistant professor in the Department of Family, Youth and Community Sciences working within the PIE Center.



Saqib Mukhtar

Associate Dean for UF/IFAS Extension

Dr. Saqib Mukhtar is the Associate Dean and Ag Program Leader at UF/IFAS Extension and an Agricultural Engineer by training.



Anita Neal

Southeast District Extension Director, UF/IFAS Extension

Subtly charming communicator and problem solver.



Tim Perciful

Disaster Response Manager, ASPCA

Tim works across the country helping organizations improve their disaster response capabilities for animals, and he responds nationally to assist with animals impacted by disasters.



Cathie Perkins

Director, Pinellas County Emergency Management

Working in fields of emergency management, consulting and firefighter/paramedic over the years since 1993.





Brandi Phillips

Animal Technical Rescue Branch Director, UF Veterinary
Emergency Treatment Service

Ms. Phillips is trained in several technical rescue disciplines and leads animal technical rescue training and response for the UF VETS Team.



Heidi Radunovich

Associate Professor, Extension Specialist and Licensed Psychologist,
University of Florida/IFAS

Dr. Radunovich is a licensed psychologist and faculty member at UF with expertise in rural and disaster mental health.



Rich Russell

EM Coordinator, Hernando County Emergency Management

Organizer of the Hernando County Large Animal Technical Rescue Team, responsible for planning the multi-year training, designing the specialized response trailer, and purchasing the required equipment.



Michael Short, D.V.M.

State Veterinarian and Division Director of Animal Industry,
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Appointed by former Commissioner Adam Putnam, Dr. Short is responsible for the department's animal disease control and prevention efforts, which include investigating outbreaks, providing laboratory diagnostics and containing the spread of animal diseases.



Paul Studivant

Division Manager, St Johns County Animal Control, Florida Animal
Control Association

Believe in yourself and believe in your team.



Hyatt Sudano

Environmental Manager, Agricultural Environmental Services,
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Has served as Environmental Manager in the Bureau of Inspection and Incident Response since 2015 and assisted with vector control activities following Hurricanes Irma and Michael.



Justin Teuton

District Director, United States Department of Agriculture Farm Service Agency (FSA)

Served as the Acting State Executive Director, Farm Loan Chief, and District Director for Florida/USVI while overseeing multiple disasters throughout Florida/USVI.



LeiAnna Tucker

SART Administrator and Co-Emergency Coordinating Officer for ESF 17,
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

LeiAnna is dedicated to strengthening all-hazard disaster capabilities through partnerships to support an effective and coordinated incident response for the animal and agricultural sectors in the state of Florida.



Suzy Wilburn

Director, Admissions & Alumni Support - Southeastern Guide Dogs

Providing guide dogs for visually impaired and blind individuals, as well as service dogs for Veterans with disabilities.



Summer Williams

Emergency Response Coordinator, Division of Food Safety,
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Ensures Florida's food supply is safe for consumption after a disaster strikes.



Day 1, May 29

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Half Day)

Preparedness

9:30am – 5:00

REGISTRATION

(Conference Center, Majestic Palm 2nd Floor)

1:00- 1:10

10 min

Call to Order

*LeiAnna Tucker, SART Administrator and Co-ECO for ESF 17.
Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services*

1:10 - 1:30

20 min

Welcome from Pinellas County

*(Invited) Cathie Perkins, Director, Pinellas County
Emergency Management*

Greetings from Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

*(Invited) On behalf of Commissioner Nikki Fried's office,
Dr. Lisa Conti, Director of Strategic Initiatives*

1:30 - 3:00

1 ½ hrs

Multiagency Coordination Groups and How to Create a County ESF 17 Plan*

Robert King, Blue Skies Professional Services

*A keynote address on the benefits of forming a multiagency coordination (MAC) group in your county. Learn how to use your MAC group for developing animal and agricultural preparedness/response plans. This seminar will guide participants through an example of a large animal response plan.

3:00 - 3:15

15 min

BREAK

3:15 - 4:15

1 hr

Panel Discussion on Disaster Preparedness for Cattle Operations

Moderator: Dr. Saqib Mukhtar, UF/IFAS

Panel: Colleen Larson, UF/IFAS

Zachary Conlin, FDACS

Dusty Holley, Florida Cattlemen's Association

This panel of selected SART partners will share personal experiences about what happens on dairy and cattle farms during hurricane and non-hurricane emergencies. The panel will give insight into the challenges faced, listen to the experiences of industry peers and leaders, and contribute to the policy discussion on what can be done to help their dairy and cattle producers that will shape the future of agricultural preparedness.

4:15 - 5:00

45 min

Pet-Friendly Sheltering "Hot Topic"

Suzy Wilburn, Southeastern Guide Dogs

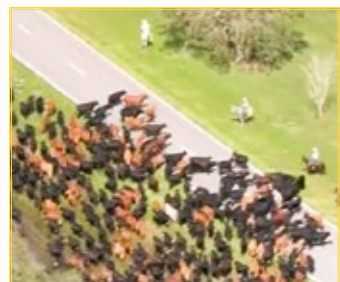
Paul Studivant, Florida Animal Control Association

What is and what is not a Service Animal, Assistance Animal, Emotional Support Animal, and Comfort Animal? How does this affect your emergency sheltering and planning?

5:30 – 7:00

Evening Reception – Sponsored by the Florida State Animal Response Coalition

The Breezeway Deck at the Sirata. (see map #27)





Day 2, May 30

8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. (Full Day)

Response

8:00-8:15	15 min	Opening Remarks <i>(Invited) Dr. Mike Short, State Veterinarian/Director, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services</i>
8:15 - 9:15	1 hr (20 min each)	How do you utilize volunteer resources? <i>Consie von Gontard, Florida State Animal Response Coalition (Florida SARC)</i> <i>Tim Perciful, American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA)</i> <i>Laura Bevan, The Humane Society of the United States (HSUS)</i> Get to know some of Florida's leading animal service organizations and what they can do for you during a disaster.
9:15 - 9:45	30 min	How do you utilize local resources? <i>Anita Neal, UF/IFAS</i> Get to know your county's UF/IFAS Extension and what they can do for you during a disaster.
9:45 - 10:00	15 min	How do you utilize state resources? <i>LeiAnna Tucker, ESF 17/FDACS and SART</i> Learn about state resources for food adulteration events, vector control, veterinary emergency services, and animal technical rescue.
10:00 - 10:30	30 min	BREAK
10:30 - 11:30	1 hr (20 min each)	How do you utilize state resources? (continued) <i>Summer Williams, Food Safety, FDACS</i> <i>Hyatt Sudano, Mosquito Control Incident Response Team, FDACS</i> <i>Dr. Lawrence Garcia and Brandi Phillips, University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine</i>
11:30 - 12:00	30 min	How do you utilize federal resources? <i>Brenton Cox, FEMA Region IV Emergency Coordinator, United States Department of Agriculture</i>
12:00 - 1:30	1 ½ hr	LUNCH (On your own)
1:30 - 2:30	60 min (30 min each)	Agroterrorism Threats <i>Major Ben Burns, Office of Agricultural Law Enforcement, FDACS</i> <i>Mary Hartney, Florida Fertilizer & Agrichemical Association</i> Learn about Florida's agricultural law enforcement, agroterrorism threats and ResponsibleAg.
2:30 - 3:00	30 min (Part I)	Biosecurity & You: Animal Abuse vs. Animal Disease* <i>Dr. Matt Hersom, UF/IFAS</i> *A keynote address on how to respond to animal disease and farm-level biosecurity issues. This seminar will give a basic introduction about animal disease, farm-level biosecurity issues and animal handling for responders active in animal disease inspection, public health, law enforcement, and more.
3:00 - 3:30	30 min	BREAK – Ice Cream Social – Sponsored by ASPCA
3:30 - 4:15	45 min (Part II)	Biosecurity and You: Animal Abuse vs. Animal Disease* (continued)
4:15 - 5:00	45 min	Animal Technical Rescue Equipment Demonstration <i>Rich Russell, Hernando County Emergency Management</i> <i>Brandi Phillips, UF College of Veterinary Medicine</i>

Day 3, May 31

8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. (Half Day)

Recovery

8:00 - 8:15 **15 min** **Announcements**

8:15 - 8:45 **30 min** **Opening Remarks**
(Invited) Kevin Guthrie, Deputy Director, Florida Division of Emergency Management

8:45 - 9:00 **15 min** **SART APPRECIATION AWARDS**
LeiAnna Tucker, FDACS and SART

9:00 - 9:30 **30 min** **Debris Removal: Animal Carcass Disposal**
Dr. Greg Christy, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

Animal carcass disposal can create some of the greatest logistical and health related problems in managing large-scale disaster events affecting animals. This presentation will discuss the large-scale animal carcass disposal issues in Florida and provide information on disposal guidance and additional resources.

9:30 - 10:00 **30 min** **Disaster Assistance Programs**
Justin Teuton, United States Department of Agriculture, Farm Service Agency

USDA offers a variety of programs and services to help communities, farmers, ranchers, and businesses that have been hard hit by Hurricanes Irma, Harvey, Maria and other natural disaster events. Learn about these disaster assistance programs at a glance.

10:00 - 10:15 **15 min** **BREAK**

10:15 - 11:45 **1 ½ hrs** **Mental Health First Aid for Disaster Responders: An Overview***
Dr. Lynn Grattan, University of Maryland, School of Medicine
Dr. Heidi Radunovich, UF/IFAS
Dr. Angela Lindsey, UF/IFAS

*A keynote address on how to assist emergency responders to recognize and cope with their own emotional/mental health during and after disasters.

11:45 - 12:00 **15 min** **Closing Remarks**
LeiAnna Tucker, SART Administrator and Co-ECO for ESF 17, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services

***Exhibition booths tear down by 1:00pm.**



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