National Alliance of State Animal and Agricultural Emergency Programs (NASAAEP)

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A Brief History

• Since 2002, virtually all states have developed some sort of SART, VMRC, or similar program
• Monthly conference calls among programs since 2005 (USDA)
• Annual meetings
  – 2006, Dec - Las Vegas. 100 attendees
  – 2007, Sep - Keystone, CO.
  – 2008, Jan - Orlando. 80 attendees
  – 2008, Sep - Baltimore. 130 attendees
  – 2009, Dec - Kansas City. 150 attendees
  – 2010, Dec - Las Vegas. 168 attendees
  – 2012, Jun - TBA
• NASAAEP incorporated, Sep 2, 2008
• 2011 – Dr. Warren Hess, Dr. Jimmy Tickle
  – Dr. Mike Nault, Dr. David Chico
Common goals

1) Foster a national network of State Animal and Agricultural Emergency Programs and other stakeholders to promote effective, all-hazards animal and agricultural emergency management.

2) Enhance and clarify communication between animal and agricultural emergency programs including State Animal/Agricultural Response (SART), state veterinary medical reserve corps (VMRC), other similar state, tribal or territorial programs and national partners.

3) Promote best practices and models for program management, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery from national, regional or local crises.

4) Identify, cultivate, and manage resources that strengthen preparedness and response capabilities at the local, state, tribal, regional and national levels.

5) Develop and support ideas, initiatives, and policies that positively impact animal and agricultural emergency management.

6) Facilitate and promote the development of a national animal emergency management framework through coordination and capacity building between and among states, supporting credentialing standards, and sharing training initiatives and national training standards.
NASAAEP Membership Classes

- **State/US Territory Group Membership - $250/yr**
  - Voting State Program Members (16)
- **National Programs Group Membership - $250/yr**
  - Local Programs
  - Corporate Partners
  - Non-profits, other National NGOs (3)
- **Individual Membership - $25/yr (4)**
  - Individual members from state/local programs, NGOs, or general public
- **Local Programs Group Membership - $50/yr (3)**
- **Corporate Partners Group membership - $1000/yr**
- **Federal Planning Partners – No cost**
  - Federal agencies (USDA, FEMA, HHS, etc.)
BPWGs

- Co-chaired by NARSC and NASAAEP member with APHIS AC and FEMA liaisons
  - Animal Search and Rescue – David Perry (NASAAEP – FL) and Rich Crook (NARSC)
  - Evacuation & Transportation – Dr. Renee Poirrier (NASAAEP – LA) and Dr. Dick Green (NARSC)
  - Planning & Resource Management – Dr. Cynthia Faux (NASAAEP – WA) and Misha Goodman (NARSC)
  - Preparedness & Community Outreach – Deborah Colburn (NASAAEP – CO) and Sandy Monterose (NARSC)
  - Sheltering – Kay Mayfield (NASAAEP – TX) and Tracy Reis (NARSC)
  - Training – Dr. Jimmy Tickel (NASAAEP – NC), Dr. Cheryl Eia (NASAAEP – IA), and Debrah Schnackenberg (NARSC)
  - Veterinary Issues-Animal Decontamination, HazMat, & Radiological Issues – Dr. Dan Jemelka (NASAAEP – OR) and Dr. Lisa Murphy (AVMA)
  - Veterinary Issues-Disaster Veterinary Care – Dr. Garry Goemann (NASAAEP – MN), Dr. Scott Mason (NASAAEP – OK), and Dr. Heather Case (AVMA)
  - Zoological – Dr. Yvonne Nadler
What’s this mean to Florida?

Evacuation and Transportation BPWG

• **Evacuation Planning Guidelines**
  – Best Practices
  – Lessons Learned
    • Example
    • Improvement Plan
      – Activities

• **Transportation Methods**
  – Modes
    • Advantages/Disadvantages
    • Modifications necessary to safely transport animals

• **Scientific Study**
  – USDA CA – LSU
    • “Refer” trailers
      – Critical O2, CO2, CO levels and time to return to safe levels
Thank-you!

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