



The Sentinel

Newsletter of
the Florida State
Agricultural
Response Team



Dr. Mike Short addressing the 2023 SART Planning Workshop with an FDACS welcome.

2025 FL SART Biennial Planning Conference Starts on May 28th in St. Pete Beach

Don't delay, register now for the upcoming 2025 SART Planning Conference! The workshop is by invite only to our county ESF 17 contacts and SART partner agencies.

Kicking off the afternoon of Tuesday, May 28th, in St. Pete Beach, Florida, the organizers say that "With certified training courses, workshops, and informational sessions, there will be plenty to learn and many opportunities for you to be a part of SART's future!"

The planning conference sessions will take place at The Sirata Beach Resort. There will be no cost to attend, and there will be opportunities for hotel sponsorship. The conference will familiarize participants with disaster situations and provide background information on animal and

agricultural-related emergency management issues. Keep your eyes open for the full program details as those will be coming soon.

Visit the SART website is complete with registration information and a fillable registration form for both the workshop registration and the opportunity for hotel sponsorship at FLSART.org.



MCIRT expo booth at the 2023 SART Planning Conference.

Special Features of this Issue:

- FDACS ESF 17 & SART Partner Host Second Offering Florida Veterinary Corps Training at the 2025 Annual FVMA Conference
- 4-Day Multi-discipline ASAR Training
- A Consumer's Guide to Food Safety: Severe Storms and Hurricanes

"Mark your calendars for the 2025 SART Planning Conference. With certified training courses, workshops, and informational sessions, there will be plenty to learn and many opportunities for you to be a part of SART's future!"

— LeiAnna Moorhead (left)
Emergency Programs Manager
ECO for ESF 17 and FLSART
Division of Animal Industry, FDACS



FDACS ESF 17 & SART Partner Host Florida Veterinary Corps Training at the 2025 Annual FVMA Conference

Emily Nolen (ESF -17 and FL SART Coordinator, FDACS) and Eric Black, Florida Forest Service will be instructing the *Florida Veterinary Corps: Emergency Response Readiness and Exam Prep (FEMA IS-100/200/700/800)* Training at this year's Florida Veterinary Medical Association (FVMA) Conference.

The FVMA is a SART partner and cooperating organization for the Florida Veterinary Corps and its premiere annual conference brings in veterinarians and veterinary technicians from all around the state. The Florida Veterinary Corps is recruiting veterinarians and veterinary technicians to assist local and state emergency management officials in the event of any disaster involving animals and animal health. Volunteers may serve in veterinary assessment teams, triage or emergency animal treatment teams, and animal disease surveillance or control teams under an Incident Command System (ICS) structure.



Photo (left to right): Eric Black, FDACS Florida Forest Service, Dr. Terry Clekis, FVMA, LeiAnna Moorhead, FDACS, and Dr. Lawrence Garcia, UF VETS Team, at the Florida Veterinary Corps information booth at the 2024 FVMA Annual Conference.

The training is customized to walk students through ICS in a method that is interactive and step by step while being an animal response-centered version of the information with an experienced instructor. We are looking to match if not increase the number of attendees at this training. If you and/or your staff will be attending this year's FVMA Annual Conference please consider participating in this excellent training and learn more about the FL Vet Corps.

FDACS ESF 17 & SART appreciate Dr. Clekis' and the FVMA's long-standing partnership and dedication to protecting animal health and safety during disasters!

Animal Technical Rescue Training Update

Thanks to training funded by Florida SART, a total of 38 Florida first responders and livestock owners are more prepared to ensure human safety and animal welfare during animal emergencies this year. Two Awareness level and two Operations level Animal Technical Rescue (ATR) training courses were hosted at the Florida State Fire College in Ocala between November 2024 and February 2025.



December 2024 ATR Operations Class Photo

This unique training provided by the University of Florida Veterinary Emergency Treatment Service (UF VETS) and funded by Florida SART seeks to connect community resources critical in the success of these missions while providing hands-on, scenario-based training for incidents including low and high angle movement of large animals, mud entrapment, and trailer accidents. Applying concepts from technical rescue disciplines (rope rescue, confined space rescue, trench rescue, swift and flood water rescue, vehicle and machinery rescue) to emergencies with animals, participants in this training learn how to identify and mitigate safety hazards for responders and bystanders, minimize injuries to the animals during rescue efforts, as well as valuable tools, techniques, and resources.



Left: Relieving suction on a horse trapped in the mud, February 2025



Right: Vertical lift of a large animal using a portable high point anchor system, December 2024

While these trainings primarily use life-sized horse mannequins to simulate an animal in an emergency, the Operations level course held in February included a special live horse guest, "Timer." This authentic handling session allowed several participants who have not worked around livestock to place a halter and practice leading a live animal. Having this experience at the beginning of a three-day training course helped participants to remain more vigilant about safety hazards both for responders and the animals during the exercises that followed.

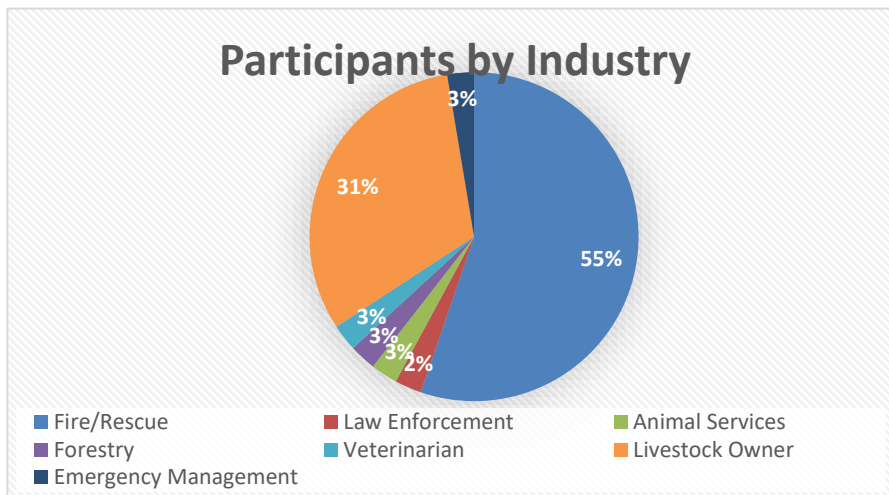
(Continued on next page.)

Animal Technical Rescue Training Update (continued)



February 2025 ATR Operations Class Photo featuring "Timer"

Most participation comes from the fire service, followed by livestock owners. Technical rescue teams are most often found in fire departments. Six of the seven SART-funded caches of ATR equipment are supported by fire departments (Marianna Fire Department, St. Johns County Fire Rescue, Volusia County Fire Rescue, Martin County Fire Rescue, Pasco County Fire Rescue, and Sumter County Fire Rescue), with the seventh residing with Lee County Sheriff's Office. ATR incidents often require cooperation from a wide range of community supports, including law enforcement, livestock owners and stakeholders, veterinarians, animal services, and other emergency management resources. The awareness level ATR training seeks to help participants to network with key players in their communities to identify resources to manage these incidents, while the operations level ATR training provides hands-on, scenario-based exercises for those most likely to respond to these incidents.



UF VETS has been providing ATR training in partnership with Florida SART since 2011. Throughout the state, seven caches of specialized ATR equipment are staged for emergency response.

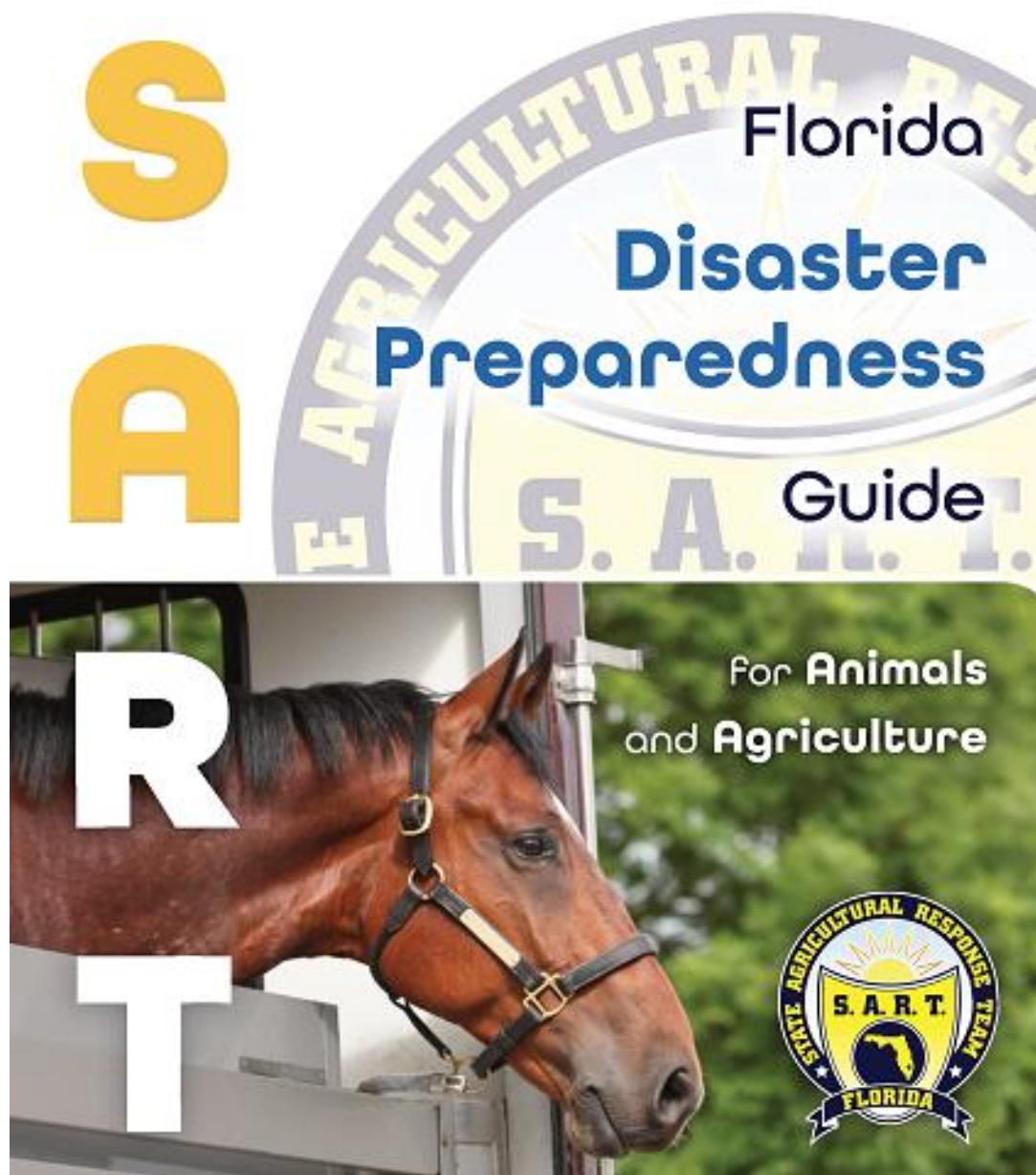
UF VETS also provides ATR training throughout the year and across the state to agencies and organizations working to be more prepared for animal emergencies. To learn more about how to prepare your area, visit www.ufvets.com or contact Technical Rescue Branch Director, Brandi Phillips, at brandikphillips@ufl.edu.

The Florida Disaster Preparedness Guide for Animals and Agriculture

The [Florida Disaster Preparedness Guide for Animals and Agriculture](#) was developed by FDACS and Florida SART. This guide explores the various animal and agricultural sectors in the state of Florida that are at risk from natural and man-made disasters, and what you can do to help prepare and protect animals and agriculture before a disaster strikes. The recommendations and resources in this guide are applicable to preparing for all hazards such as hurricanes, floods, wildfires, disease introduction, hazardous material spills, and more.

This publication is available only to SART members. To access the Florida Disaster Preparedness Guide for Animals and Agriculture, visit the SART website at fhsart.org, and navigate to the "Resources" tab. It may also be accessed directly at:

<https://fhsart.org/resource/DisasterPreparednessGuides/DisasterPreparednessGuides.jsp>



Become a Volunteer of the Florida Veterinary Corps Today!



Florida veterinarians and veterinary technicians have volunteered to assist local and state emergency management officials in responding to animal emergencies. The Florida Veterinary Corps is recruiting more volunteers to help protect our state.

Become A Volunteer

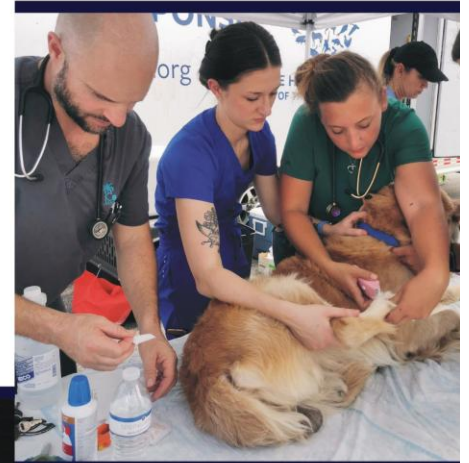
To apply to the Florida Veterinary Corps, visit www.FLSART.org



Florida VETERINARY MEDICAL ASSOCIATION



Safeguarding Animal and Public Health in Florida



A cooperative effort of the Florida State Agricultural Response Team and its Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Florida Veterinary Medical Association, and University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine.



Florida Veterinary Corps



What is the Florida Veterinary Corps?

- The Florida Veterinary Corps (The Corps) is a component of the Florida State Agricultural Response Team (SART), established within the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services and a cooperative effort with the Florida Veterinary Medical Association and the University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine.
- The Corps has been established to enlist veterinarians and veterinary technicians who are willing to volunteer their services in responding to animal emergencies in the state of Florida.
- During activation, Corps volunteers will work within an Incident Command System structure under state Emergency Support Function 17 as part of the State Emergency Response Team.
- Corps volunteers will be kept informed as to the status of emergencies and the need for volunteers depending upon the specific emergency.
- Volunteers may serve in veterinary infrastructure assessment teams, triage or emergency animal treatment teams, and animal disease surveillance or control teams under an Incident Command System structure.

Obligation of Corps Volunteers

- Corps volunteers will serve only when activated within an Incident Command System structure under state Emergency Support Function 17 as part of the State Emergency Response Team and adhere to all state regulations and rules.
- Complete the following four Incident Command System trainings to apply for The Corps. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides the independent study courses online, free of charge. The training is required for credentialing of emergency responders by the Department of Homeland Security. The courses are critical to train a professional volunteer Corps capable of responding as part of the state Emergency Support Function 17 and State Emergency Response Team.
 - IS-100.C: Introduction to the Incident Command System (ICS)
 - IS-200.C: Basic ICS for Initial Response
 - IS-700.B: An Introduction to the National Incident Management System (NIMS)
 - IS-800.D: National Response Framework, An Introduction
- Corps volunteers will only be activated in response to specific emergency situations and may decline service at any time.

Rationale

- Protecting animal agriculture and household pets in Florida begins locally and requires cooperation, participation, and partnership.
- Federal or other outside assistance to deal with an animal disease emergency may not be available for hours or days.
- Animal agriculture in Florida is highly vulnerable to severe disruption and financial loss through natural disasters and exotic or zoonotic diseases.
- Counties and state agencies must be prepared to respond to animal disasters through planning and identification of human and material resources.
- Natural disasters are unpredictable and cannot be prevented.
- Florida has a high risk for introduction of a foreign animal disease.

Become a Volunteer

To apply to the Florida Veterinary Corps, visit www.FLSART.org

Be Sure to Check Out the FDACS and UF IFAS Partnership Video

Florida SART, FDACS, and University of Florida Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences (UF/IFAS) teamed up to create a training video on their disaster response partnership.



Florida Department of
Agriculture and
Consumer Services

UF | IFAS
UNIVERSITY of FLORIDA

Published in December 2022 on [YouTube](#), the video features interviews with LeiAnna Moorhead (FDACS Emergency Programs Manager), Dr. Saqib Mukhtar (UF/IFAS Associate Dean for Extension, Agriculture, and Natural Resources), and Dr. Angie Lindsey [Extension Disaster Education Network (EDEN)].

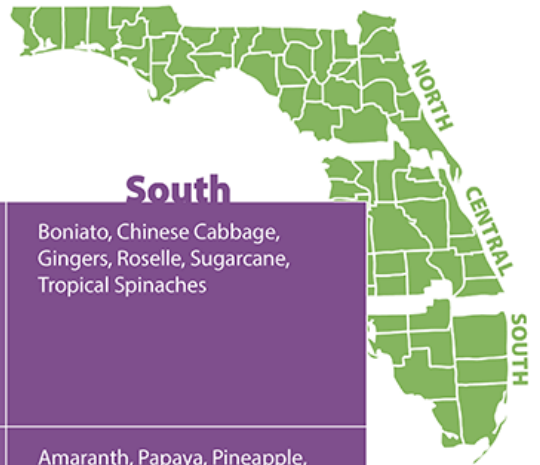
EDEN is funded by the USDA and is a collaborative multi-state effort by cooperative extension services across the country to improve the delivery of services to citizens affected by disasters.






Dr. Lindsey highlighted the important connection that agricultural extension agents have throughout the State of Florida. "We learn so much from our Extension agents and the work that they're already doing throughout the state and the work that they do within their own communities for disaster preparedness, recovery, and response," said Dr. Lindsey.

To view the video for yourself, and to like or comment, please visit:
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S1IXsjd-FCw>

EDIBLES TO PLANT IN *April*



	North	Central	South
 EASY TO TRANSPLANT	Boniato, Gingers, Roselle, Tomatillo, Tomatoes	Boniato, Chinese Cabbage, Gingers, Roselle, Sugarcane, Tropical Spinaches	Boniato, Chinese Cabbage, Gingers, Roselle, Sugarcane, Tropical Spinaches
 TRANSPLANT CAREFULLY	Amaranth, Calabaza, Long Squash, Luffa, Papaya, Seminole Pumpkin, Sweet Potatoes	Amaranth, Calabaza, Long Squash, Luffa, Papaya, Pigeon Pea, Pineapple, Seminole Pumpkin, Sweet Potatoes, Yucca	Amaranth, Papaya, Pineapple, Sweet Potatoes, Yucca
 USE SEEDS	Beans (bush, lima, pole), Cantaloupes, Chayote, Corn, Cucumbers, Okra, Peanuts, Peas (southern), Squashes, Watermelon	Beans (bush, pole), Chayote, Corn, Okra, Peanuts, Peas (southern), Squash	Beans (bush, lima, pole), Chayote, Peas (southern)



For more information, please visit GardeningSolutions.ifas.ufl.edu

UF/IFAS Florida Gardening Calendars

The [Gardening Calendar publications](#) on the UF/IFAS Solutions for Your Life website gives Florida gardeners a monthly guide for what to plant and do in their gardens and includes links to useful gardening websites, all based on University of Florida research and expertise. Three different editions of the calendar provide specific tips for each of Florida's climate zones—North, Central, and South.

[What to Plant in April - University of Florida, Institute of Food and Agricultural Sciences \(ufl.edu\)](#)

Counties, Is Your Contact Information up to date on the SART Website?

Please review your county emergency contact information at: <https://flsart.org/resource/countyinformation.jsp>.

If you need to make changes to your county contact information, please send a request to LeiAnna Moorhead at LeiAnna.Moorhead@FDACS.gov. During an emergency, ESF 17 and SART provides necessary food and water to affected areas to help protect animals, agriculture, and pets.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS



Small Animal Emergency Sheltering Training

Florida State Animal Response Coalition (FLSARC) provides Small Animal Emergency Sheltering training for Florida communities. These courses teach the unique procedures, skills, and knowledge necessary to build and operate a temporary emergency animal shelter in response to natural disasters and animal cruelty cases. These courses were created and designed by experts from many organizations including Florida SART, University of Florida Veterinary Emergency Treatment Service (VETS) Team, and leadership of FLSARC. This training is state-certified by the Florida Division of Emergency Management.

Awareness Level 1	Operations Level 2
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May 19, 2025• May 5, 2025• June 5, 2025	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• May 20, 2025• May 9-10, 2025

To register, visit: <https://flsarc.org/training>

4-Day Multi-Discipline Animal Search and Rescue Training

This unique 4-day training event May 13-16, 2025 covers three ASAR FEMA Resource Typed field disciplines at one location. Training days include Large Animal Rescue Operations (LARO), ASAR High Angle Ropes and Rigging, and ASAR Floodwater Boat Operations. Additional details may be found on the flyer, next page.

Registration: <https://asartraining.com/event/pensacola-4-day-2025>

K9 Handler First Responder & K9 Tactical Emergency Casualty Care

The application period is now open for the 2025 Florida SART sponsored K9 Handler First Responder & K9 Tactical Emergency Casualty Care training scheduled April 18-20, 2025, at Camp Blanding in Starke, Florida. Application deadline is April 7, 2025. Students receive Continuing Education Credit for law enforcement and EMS. Student tuition is paid by Florida SART for approved applicants. Students are responsible for their own travel, lodging, and meal expenses. This training is sponsored by Florida SART, and in partnership with the Florida National Guard, Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force, and K9 MEDIC. **Apply online at:** <https://www.k9medic.com/fl/>

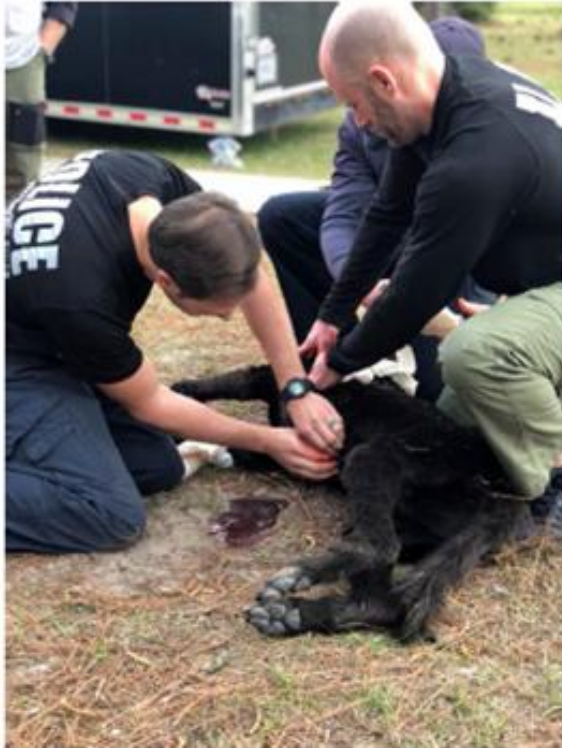
SART Partners Meeting

The following meeting is by invitation only to primary representatives of SART partner agencies and are not open to the public:

- Monthly Virtual Meeting – April 23rd, at 10:00 a.m. via Microsoft Teams

In the News...

- [Commissioner Simpson Announces 2025 Woman of the Year in Agriculture \(FDACS\)](#)
- [Commissioner Simpson Announces 2025 Winner of Agricultural-Environmental Leadership Award \(FDACS\)](#)
- [Commissioner Wilton Simpson Announces 2025 Florida Farm Bill \(FDACS\)](#)



BECOME
FIELD-READY

RECEIVE
CONTINUING
EDUCATION CREDIT

PAID BY
FLORIDA SART
FACILITIES
PROVIDED BY
COUNTERDRUG

APPLICATION
DEADLINE
APRIL 7, 2025

APPLY AT
WWW.K9MEDIC.COM/FL/

FRI-SUN APRIL 18-20, 2025

K-9 FIRST RESPONDER & K-9 TACTICAL EMERGENCY CASUALTY CARE

3-DAY TRAINING

Are you a K-9 Handler looking to provide the best emergency field care for your four-legged partner?

Learn K-9 Tactical Emergency Casualty Care skills in a hands-on, scenario-based training with expert instructors, on advanced veterinary mannikins, and in a state-of-the-art training facility.



K9 MEDIC™
... for Dog's Sake

LOCATION | TIME

Camp Blanding
Counterdrug – MCTFT
5629 SR16 West
Starke, FL 32091

Enter via main gate, left on
Ave. B, after about 3 miles,
follow signs to classroom.
8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., daily



This program is funded through USDA APHIS NADPRP

For questions, contact Dr. Jimmy Tickel and Sarah Carrell at:
jimmy.tickel@ag.tamu.edu | sarah.manning@ag.tamu.edu

100% Online
& Self-Paced



**REGISTER
NOW!**



SUMMER 2025

PRODUCER DECON

CERTIFICATE TRAINING PROGRAM

Educating producers on how to utilize decontamination best practices to prepare their farms and staff for implementing prevention and response activities during a foreign animal disease outbreak.

This Program Provides Producers with Knowledge to:



Understand
Disease Threats &
Government
Collaboration



Perform a
Premises
Assessment & Site
Decon Plan



Protect their
Livelihood &
Implement Routine
Biosecurity Practices

Those eligible to enroll in the program include but are not limited to:

U.S. small and large-scale livestock and poultry producers, food animal and agriculture affiliates, industry site managers, extension agents and ag educators, animal feed industry personnel, and other professionals in food animal and livestock production fields.



4-Day Multi-discipline ASAR Training

May 13-16th, 2025

Large Animal Rescue Ops, ASAR High Angle Ropes, ASAR Floodwater Boating Ops

Escambia County Public Safety

6575 North W. Street, Pensacola, FL 32505

Course Topics

Hazard Identification
Scene Management
Large Animal Safety
A-Frame / Sling Use
Rolls / Pulls / Assists
Control / Containment
Basic Vitals & Field Triage
Low Angle Ropes/Knots
Mechanical Advantage System
High Angle Applications
Raise and Lower systems
Rappelling
Companion animal
packaging/restraint
Floodwater Boating Operations
Self-Rescue, Team Rescue, Small
Animal Rescue

Required PPE

Work/Water Gloves
Dress for Weather
Appropriate Footwear
Safety Helmet
Class II seat harness or
Class III full body harness
Class V PFD
Water Rescue Helmet
Drysuit/Wetsuit (optional)



This unique 4-day training event covers three ASAR FEMA Resource Typed field disciplines at one location. Training days include: Large Animal Rescue Operations (LARO), ASAR High Angle Ropes and Rigging, and ASAR Floodwater Boat Operations. Incidents that involve large animals require special considerations and training. LARO simulates those incidents by using scenario training with a life-size, weighted, articulated horse mannequins that allow training for virtually any LARO situation. We will build on the rope skills learned during the LARO to transition to ASAR High Angle ropes and rigging, focusing on skills needed to rescue companion animals in high angle rescue scenarios. Incidents that involve animals trapped in flood water present challenges and hazards that will be discussed during the ASAR Floodwater Boat Operations, small animal water rescue techniques will be the primary focus, with additional discussion about large animal issues and hazards in floodwater. Participants need to have the ability to swim in moving water conditions. Please note check-in starts at 7:30am on May 13th, 2025; and the event will happen rain or shine.

Registration:

<https://asartraining.com/event/pensacola-4-day-2025/> or scan the QR Code

Fee

\$650 first time participants
\$500 for recerts

Payment Methods Accepted

Credit / Debit card, PayPal, Agency Check

For directions, questions, or other area accommodations, contact:

Kevin Monfreda
kjmonfreda@myescambia.com
(850) 595-0091 Phone

Payment due at time of registration. Refunds: 10+ days prior to class = 100%; 5-10 days prior to class = 50%; 0-5 days prior to class = no refund.

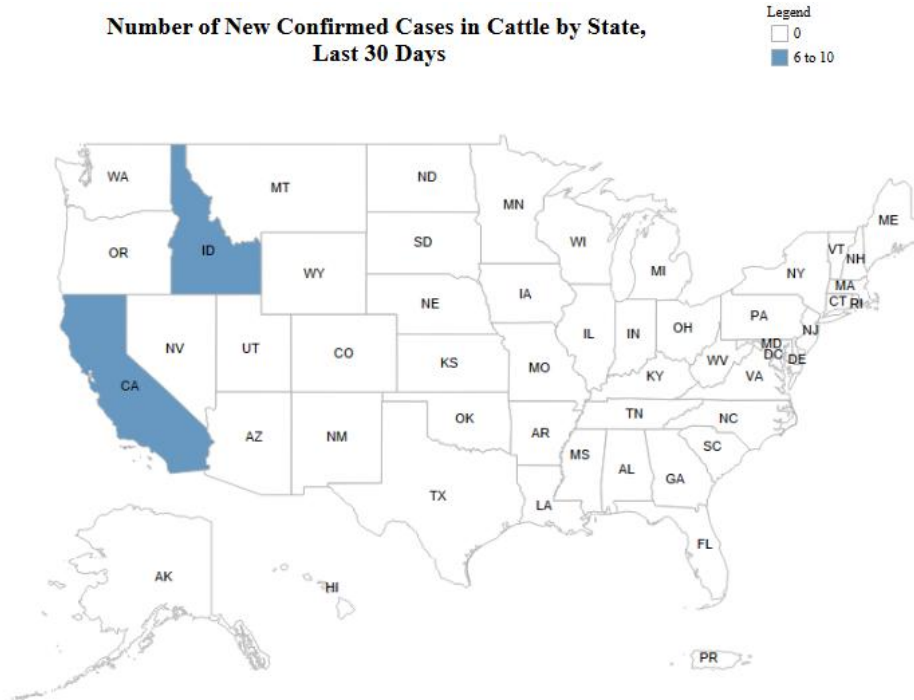


www.asartraining.com

USDA: Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza Detections in Livestock

The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and State veterinary and public health officials are investigating an illness among dairy cows. Beginning in March 2024, USDA confirmed the detection Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) amongst some domestic dairy herds.

HPAI is a disease that is highly contagious and often deadly in poultry, caused by highly pathogenic avian influenza A (H5) and A (H7) viruses; it is also known as bird or avian flu. HPAI viruses can be transmitted by wild birds to domestic poultry and other bird and animal species. Although bird flu viruses do not normally infect humans, sporadic human infections have occurred. It is important to note that “highly pathogenic” refers to severe impact in birds, not necessarily in humans.



Source: USDA APHIS (March 31, 2025)

This is a developing story. The USDA has opened a webpage and federal order with forthcoming guidance pertaining to the situation. Please visit <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/livestock-poultry-disease/avian/avian-influenza/hpai-detections/livestock> for the latest details.

Further, **FDA states confidence that pasteurization does effectively inactivate HPAI in milk.** However, “the FDA continues to advise strongly against the consumption of raw milk and recommends that industry does not manufacture or sell raw milk or raw milk products.” For more information, please visit <https://www.fda.gov/food/alerts-advisories-safety-information/updates-highly-pathogenic-avian-influenza-hpai>.

In Florida, Commissioner of Agriculture Wilton Simpson issued Emergency Rule 5CER24-4. The Emergency Rule imposes specific restrictions on the importation of cattle into Florida to prevent the spread of HPAI. There have been no detections of HPAI in any livestock in Florida. For more information, please visit <https://www.fdacs.gov/News-Events/Press-Releases/2024-Press-Releases/Commissioner-Wilton-Simpson-Issues-Emergency-Rule-to-Further-Protect-Florida-Livestock-from-Highly-Pathogenic-Avian-Influenza>. View the FDACS Emerging Disease in Dairy Cattle announcement at: <https://ccmedia.fdacs.gov/content/download/115892/file/2024-HPAI-Dairy-Cattle-Announcement.pdf>

Did You Know? SART Offers Pet-Friendly Sheltering Online Training

The Pet-Friendly Sheltering Online Training is the first of its kind to be offered in Florida. The Training gives guidance to private, local, and state entities on how to plan for and operate a pet-friendly shelter to ensure that individuals evacuating from a disaster with their household pets are accommodated.



This training includes useful information on how to:

- Use the Incident Command System in pet-friendly shelter planning and operations;
- Plan for a pet-friendly shelter;
- Understand the Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act (PETS Act);
- Establish partnerships for resource coordination;
- Deliver a unified message for resource coordination;
- Deliver a unified message to the public before, during, and after an emergency, and;
- Set up, operate, and demobilize a pet-friendly shelter.

Colleen Yarbrough

Florida State Animal Response Coalition

"This training will give someone with minimal experience in animal sheltering a very good starting point. My entire team will be mandated to take this course."

The four-hour course is designed for emergency managers, county employees, veterinary and animal services, and shelter volunteers. There is no charge for this 100% online course. For more information, please visit www.FLSART.org.



Food Safety and Food Defense Report

A special section dedicated to feed and food emergency planning and response.

FDACS Division of Food Safety is responsible for assuring the public of a safe, wholesome, and properly represented food supply through permitting and inspection of food establishments, inspection of food products, and performance of specialized laboratory analysis on a variety of food products sold or produced in the state. The Division of Food Safety monitors food from the farm gate, through processing and distribution, to the retail point of purchase.

A Consumer's Guide to Food Safety: Severe Storms and Hurricanes



In light of the increasing frequency of severe storms and hurricanes, the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has issued comprehensive guidelines to help consumers maintain food safety during such emergencies. The guide emphasizes the importance of preparedness, including the use of appliance thermometers to monitor refrigerator and freezer temperatures, ensuring freezers are set at 0°F or below, and refrigerators at 40°F or below. It also recommends freezing containers of water to create ice, which can help keep food cold during power outages.

During power outages, the USDA advises keeping refrigerator and freezer doors closed as much as possible to maintain cold temperatures. An unopened refrigerator can keep food safely cold for about four hours, while a full freezer can maintain its temperature for approximately 48 hours if the door remains closed. The guide warns against tasting food to determine its safety and underscores the mantra: "When in doubt, throw it out."

In the aftermath of flooding, the USDA cautions against consuming any food that may have come into contact with floodwater. Foods in non-waterproof containers, such as those with screw-caps or snap lids, should be discarded if there's a chance they've been exposed. Additionally, canned foods should be inspected for damage, including swelling, leakage, or punctures, and any compromised items should be thrown away.

To further assist residents in disaster preparedness and recovery, the University of Florida's IFAS Extension offers a range of resources. These include guidelines on food safety during emergencies, well water testing, and housing considerations post-disaster. Residents are encouraged to consult these resources to better prepare for and respond to severe weather events.

For more information, please visit:

https://nwdistrict.ifas.ufl.edu/fcs/files/2018/11/USDA_Severe_Storms_and_Hurricanes_Guide.pdf

SART Resources and Links



Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza – USDA APHIS Flock Defender

<https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-disease-information/avian/defend-the-flock-program/outbreak-illness/outbreak-illness>

Large Animal Incident Response Plan Template

<https://flsart.org/resource/TLAER>

Pet Sheltering Resources

<https://flsart.org/resource/petshelter>

Ask IFAS: Disaster Preparedness and Recovery

https://edis.ifas.ufl.edu/entity/topic/disaster_preparedness_and_recovery

FDEM Vector Control Quick Guide

[https://flsart.org/pdf/Vector Control Quick Guide.pdf](https://flsart.org/pdf/Vector%20Control%20Quick%20Guide.pdf)

Dairy Farm Emergency Information Sheet

<https://flsart.org/resource/Dairy>

Please log in and update
your membership
information online at:

www.FLSART.org

About the SART Sentinel

The *SART Sentinel* is an email newsletter prepared monthly by the members of the **Florida State Agricultural Response Team** on the Florida SART website at www.FLSART.org.

If you have a story or photo that you would like to have considered for publication in the *SART Sentinel*, please contact the editors.

Editing Services: The Turner Network, LLC under contract with the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Animal Industry.

E-mail: flsart@turnernetwork.com

Associate Editor: LeiAnna Moorhead, Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, Division of Animal Industry.

E-mail: LeiAnna.Moorhead@FDACS.gov