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The **N**ational **A**lliance of **S**tate **A**nimal and **A**gricultural **E**mergency **P**rograms (NASAAEP) is now accepting membership applications for 2010. NASAAEP, having several years of development, now has the capacity to extend membership applications to various groups and individuals. NASAAEP has been formed to advance and promote the following 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.

All of the information needed for the application will be found within this packet. There are a number of different membership classes which will be described below. Membership shall take place during the calendar year, from January 1 – December 31 and there will not be any prorating of membership fees for those who submit their application later in the year. (NOTE: INITIAL MEMBERSHIP WILL BE FOR THE BALANCE OF 2010 AND FOR ALL OF 2011)

If paying by credit card, applications may be submitted by e-mail or U.S.P.S. To submit the application by e-mail, complete and print the attached membership PDF form; obtain signature(s), then scan and save the file as a PDF or a JPEG and e-mail to membership@nasaaep.org.

If paying by check, make the check payable to NASAAEP. Complete and print the attached membership PDF, obtain signatures (if applicable), and mail along with the check to:

NASAAEP Membership
P.O. Box 3546
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If questions arise with respect to membership issues, please send an e-mail to membership@nasaaep.org. We encourage passing this application package along to any other groups that you have knowledge of that may have interest in or may provide unique knowledge to this organization by being a member of NASAAEP.

Respectfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arnold Goldman", is written over a faint, larger version of the same signature.

Arnold Goldman, DVM
President of NASAAEP