Breadcrumb

1. Home
2. Print
3. Pdf
4. Node
5. Entity Print

Emergency Management

Last Modified:

HPAI Animal Health Emergency Alert

A form of highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI) has been causing widespread disruption and illness in birds since first being detected in 2022. Learn more about Detections of HPAI and HPAI Emergency Response.

HPAI was detected in domestic livestock in 2024. For the latest information, visit HPAI Confirmed Cases in Livestock and Secure Our Herds.

NWS Animal Health Emergency Alert

On June 3, 2026, APHIS confirmed the detection of New World screwworm (NWS) in a bovine in Zavala County, TX. Learn more about Detections of NWS and NWS Emergency Response.



National Preparedness and Incident Coordination (NPIC) develops strategies and policies, along with tools and resources you can use, to prepare for and respond effectively to animal disease outbreaks.

Our emergency response guidelines are based on the National Incident Management System and National Response Framework.

Animal Health Emergency Management Resources

Foreign Animal Disease Preparedness and Response (FAD PReP)

A foreign animal disease outbreak in the United States may impact the security, cost, and safety of our Nation’s food supply. Preparing for and responding to foreign animal diseases are critical actions to safeguard animal health in the United States. Reach out to our FAD PReP team at fad.prep.comments@usda.gov if you have questions or comments.

FAD PReP Materials and References

Ready Reference Guides

Carcass Management

This page provides a guide to carcass management options for planning or responding to a disease emergency in U.S. livestock or poultry.

Emergency Management Response System

Use this system for reporting routine investigations of foreign animal diseases, surveillance and control programs, State-specific disease outbreaks, and national animal health emergency responses.

National Animal Disease Preparedness and Response Program

APHIS provides tens of millions of dollars in funding to States, producer organizations, Tribal Nations, universities, and others to help them prepare for the most critical animal health threats facing U.S. livestock industries today.

National Animal Health Laboratory Network

Our network of animal disease diagnostic laboratories provides ongoing disease surveillance, responds quickly to disease events, communicates diagnostic outcomes to decision makers, and has the capability and capacity to meet diagnostic needs during animal disease outbreaks.

National Animal Vaccine and Veterinary Countermeasures Bank

APHIS has invested millions of dollars to amass a stockpile of foot-and-mouth disease (FMD) vaccine. This is central in our country's ability to respond to, control, and ultimately eliminate an outbreak of FMD on U.S. soil.

National Veterinary Stockpile

Our national repository of critical veterinary supplies, equipment, animal vaccines, and response support services provides States, Tribes, and Territories the resources they need to respond to damaging animal disease outbreaks.

Veterinary Services National Training and Exercise Program

We offer a variety of webinars and other resources with actionable training and exercise activities for emergency responders, animal health professionals, and other APHIS partners.

Disease-Specific Response Planning and Guidelines

Learn more about planning for specific foreign animal diseases. We offer tools and resources you can use to prepare for and respond to an emergency outbreak of these diseases.

African Swine Fever

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

Foot-and-Mouth Disease

Virulent Newcastle Disease

New World Screwworm

Authorities Related to Animal Health, Foreign Animal Diseases, and Emergency Management

Statutory Authorities

- Animal Health Protection Act
- Animal Welfare Act
- Homeland Security Act of 2002
- The Stafford Act

Homeland Security Presidential Directives (HSPDs) and Presidential Policy Directives (PPDs)

- HSPD-5: Management of Domestic Incidents
- PPD-8: National Preparedness
- HSPD-9: Defense of United States Agriculture and Food
- HSPD-12: Policies for a Common Identification Standard for Federal Employees an…
- PPD-21: Critical Infrastructure Security and Resilience

Code of Federal Regulations

- 9 CFR 71.2 and 71.3: Rule Governing Quarantine and Interstate Movement of Disea…
- 9 CFR 53: Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Pleuropneumonia, Rinderpest, and Certain Othe…
- 9 CFR 161: Requirements and Standards for Accredited Veterinarians
- 9 CFR 56: Control of H5/H7 Low Pathogenic Avian Influenza
- 9 CFR 82: Newcastle Disease and Chlamydiosis in Poultry
- 9 CFR 94: Rinderpest, Foot-and-Mouth Disease, Newcastle Disease, Highly Pathoge…

See More See Less

Print