



# Napa Community Animal Response Team

Emergency Preparedness for Animal Owners

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# Disaster Preparedness

- *“This is the new wildfire risk and we can’t defend you from this.”*
- Know your risks
- California:
  - Fire
  - Flood
  - Earthquake
- Plan and Drill contingencies faced in most recent disaster





# Stages of Preparedness

- Individual: You and your animals
- Local Neighborhood
- City and County
- First Responder
- State/National: Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards (PETS) Act





# Individual Preparedness for Large Animals

- Backpack with:
  - Recent photos: side views and front
  - Coggins test
  - Vaccine history
  - Microchip
  - Contact information
  - Luggage tags/Mane
  - Zip ties, plastic bags
- ER Kit in Duffle bag
- Tarps, temp fencing
- Knife, scissors
- Wire, bolt cutters
- Bandage supplies
- Headlamps/lights
- Batteries
- Duct tape
- Meds- feed in cooler



# Animal ID Options

- Microchip
- Collar/tags
- Mane clip
- Luggage tags (crates)
- Wax crayon
- Sharpie on hoof or horn
- Ag spray paint marker
- Initials 1-#





# Individual Preparedness for Small Animals

- Crates clean, ready
- Know evacuation plan/sites
- Collapsible water bowls
- Large water bottle
- Food, baggies
- Hand wipes/Baby wipes
- Leash, Collar, Microchip
- Recent photos of pet
- Vaccine records
- Medications
- Practice once monthly
- Shelter in place
- Prioritize human life
- Leave food and water, toilet seat up
- Pictures/feed plans on wall
- Perimeter fencing
- Do not lock in kennel, barn
- Evac plan- stock trailer, ice block





# Fire Preparedness Around Barn

- Have a plan, post and practice it
- Red Flag/Flood warnings...stage
- Barn door/ perimeter fence
- Defensible space- bulldoze
- Emergency kit/numbers
- Pictures/feed instructions posted- vices
- Water/sprinklers/fire extinguisher
- Head light, leather gloves
- Halters/leads for each horse
- Mane clips- ID pre filled
- Remote hay storage





# Self Preparedness & Prevention

- Evacuation plan A&B
- Shelter in place plan- 7 days
- Drill with neighbor/friend
- Who will load, evac when you can't get there?
- Will your animals cooperate?
- Is there someone in this room you can plan with?
- Road access







# Home Preparation

- Insurance update
- Narrated video tour of property, home
- Vital documents archived
- Generator/backup battery
- Chain saw
- Sprinklers on roof
- Annual gutter, brush, combustible check-May
- Proximity to creek beds
- Communication plan- landline, radio, solar charger





# Train Your Animals to Load Up

- Hauling arrangements- trailer- share with someone across town?
- Trailer maintenance
- Practice once monthly- all animals: different conditions
- Leather halter
- Leg wraps, bell boots
- Practice every time you hear of local fire. Stage Red Flag!!!!





# Trailer Inspection List

- Tires
- Floorboards
- Latches, Hitch
- Interior/exterior lighting
- Escape hatches
- Tie rings
- Fuel in truck, jump cables
- Chain saw
- ER blanket/Flares
- Fire extinguisher
- First aid kit
- Hose/buckets/feed





San Diego Wildfires - loading  
5 min rule – Evacuation teams  
Halters, leads, tags, tied up and ready





# Chickens

- Shelter in place
- Release from coop if unable to evacuate
- Leave large amount food and water
- Do not load if sick/quarantined
- Can be trained to load -practice
- Crates in horse trailer. Luggage tags
- Expect some loss- wildlife







# Exotics

- Most can be trained to crate-practice!
- Snakes/lizards/Koi- leave notes on cages
- Label food/instructions
- Prepare caretakers
- Dispatch- size, temperament, location of transport mechanism
- Pillow cases 😊







# Evacuation Sites

- Central info/messaging
- Shelter in place-stage
- Meds, feed supps in cooler
- Take pictures-recent
- Leave early
- Plan two routes
- Ice in trailer on hot day
- Collapsible water buckets
- Hay and water for 72 hr
- Have a back up plan





# NVHA Shelter





# Neighborhood Plan





# Get to Know Your Neighbors

- Make arrangements to check on each other
- Share evacuation plans-site inspection
- Pool resources such as generators, water tanks, trailers
- Create evacuation authority agreements
- Share ER kit/ medical records locations
- Designate a safe meeting zone
- Maintain animal location map/priority
- Practice/ Drill/ ***Red Flag*** Stage



# Recommended Training

- FEMA Website- training ICS 100,200,700
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)
- First Aid – animals
- Hauling safety/inspection
- Fire line safety
- Ham radio training
- Downed power pole
- Join Napa CART to select training program that suits your interests
- Sheltering
- Well checks/ field shelter
- Communications
- Evacuation
- Outreach
- Volunteer management
- Donation management



# Napa CART Training Dates - 2019

- 3/16 - Small Animal Shelter and Shelter in Place
- 4/20 - Large Animal Shelter and Shelter in Place
- 5/16 - Dispatch and Hotline
- 6/15 - Evacuation and Transportation
- 7/20 - Communications, PTSD and Home Preparedness
- 8/10 - Activation Drill
- 9/21 - Safe Animal Handling and Vitals
- See training opportunities on Website & FaceBook- share







# Trailer and Equipment Acquired

- 3 horse slant trailer with ramp
- SA staging trailer
- Evacuation trailers
- Glides/LAL/Mannequin
- Evac kits
- First Aid materials
- Shelter set up materials including 500 panels
- Hand held radios









# Volunteers Needed in Key Areas





# Preliminary Animal Response Statistics

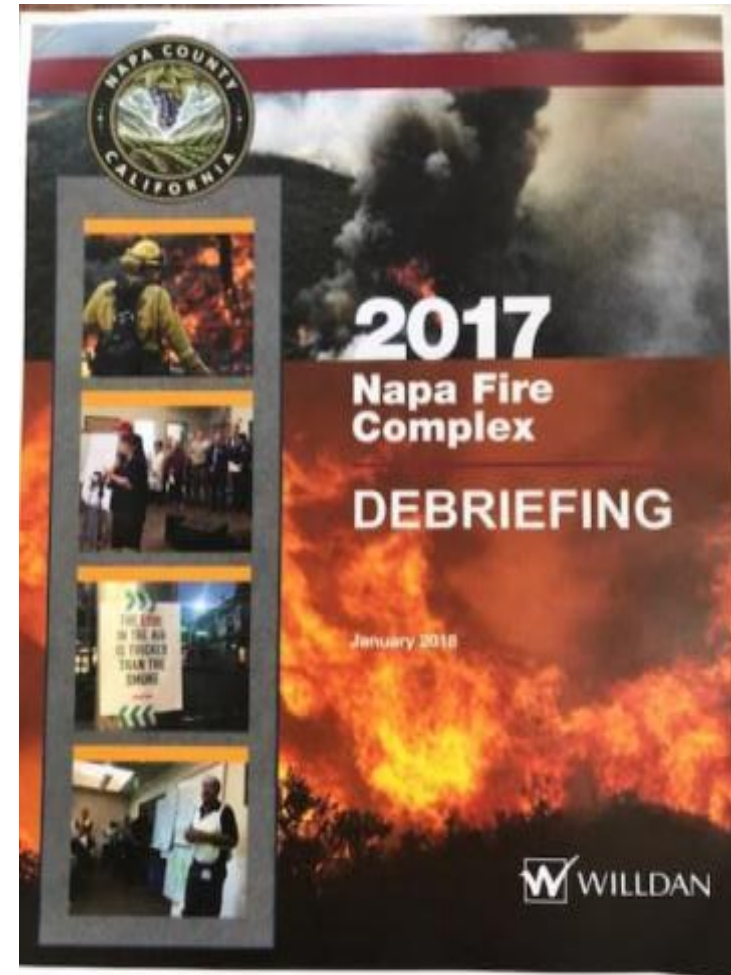
## Napa CNLU Fire Response

- Evacuations
  - 740 Horses to NVHA, VBEC, Vintage Farm and Solano Fairgrounds
    - 18% required some form of medical care
  - 250 Ruminants to Vintage Farm, Solano Fairgrounds and Ag for Youth.
  - 27 cats, 2 dogs, 35 birds, 21 chickens evacuated by Napa CART
- Estimated Napa County Large Animal Losses
  - 8 horses
  - 500 ruminants
- Volunteer hours
  - Community volunteers: 1216 hours based solely on sign-in sheets
  - Large Animal DVMs: 1328 hours- Nor Cal AEP



# Lessons Learned

- Work with OES to utilize existing services: food, volunteer, donation management, at each shelter site.
- Animal shelter support entities meet quarterly
- Develop “211” information line for pet owners which leads to animal specific dispatch requests.
- Develop Nixle alert for certified haulers with staging information
- Alert system on red flag days- stage as county and as response entity.
- Identify LA shelter locations throughout county- fire/flood
- Stockpile supplies throughout county





# Homework Assignment

- Make a Plan for you and your animals...so that you can help us!- **Due 3/1/19**
- Practice it
- Share your progress with us on FB
- Join Napa CART
- Support your local animal relief groups
- [www.napacart.org](http://www.napacart.org)







# Questions?

