

Flow Charts for FAD Emergency Response Levels – Level 3

- While the associated chart indicates the primary lines of communications and activities, many of the response activities occur simultaneously or within a short time of each other (lines of communication are not necessarily linear).
- This chart represents a likely timetable of events which could occur during a Level 3 Foreign Animal Disease (FAD) animal emergency. It describes the interactions between levels of governments (Federal-State, State-Local) and describes major contacts the Nebraska Department of Agriculture (NDA) will have with Nebraska Emergency Management Agency (NEMA) and the Governor's office.
- This chart does not describe actions taken by other Nebraska State agencies that play a role in a livestock or poultry emergency incident as Emergency Support Function (ESF)-11 is activated. Agencies are encouraged to develop plans based on ESF-11, using the flow chart as a theoretical timetable of events.

USDA

- Notifies all Area Veterinarians-In-Charge (AVIC), State Veterinarians (SV), and state departments of agriculture.
- May declare an Emergency or Extraordinary Emergency for the affected state(s).
- Evaluate the need for a Presidential Declaration.
- Continue to monitor and update all states.

NDA

- Determines the activation level of NDA's Emergency Operations Center and notifies appropriate NDA personnel.
- Notifies all producers, processors, transit companies; may issue an import order/embargo for livestock, poultry and/or commodities coming from the affected state(s) or bordering areas.
- Coordinates with NEMA, may request the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC) be activated, requests additional support from state agencies by giving "stand-by" notice; sends the Emergency Support Function (ESF) -11 Coordinator (ESFC) to SEOC.
- Coordinates with NEMA, requests special notice be given to regional/local health departments.
- Coordinates with NEMA to review needed resources and purchasing procedures to support a response to a potential outbreak.
- Coordinates with NEMA concerning opening a Joint Information Center (JIC).
- Alerts LEDRS personnel of potential response activities.
- Continues to monitor USDA, affected state's activities, issues timely updates.
- Confers with NEMA and the Governor/Governor's Office.

NEMA

- Notifies staff, may have limited SEOC activation.
- Coordinates with NDA on joint efforts (see above).
- With NDA, may provide special briefings for the media and for information release to the general public through the JIC.
- May request additional ESF-11 agencies to report to SEOC, such as Nebraska State Patrol, Game & Parks, etc.
- Notifies local Emergency Managers of situation.
 - Notifies/coordinates with chief elected officials; prepares County Disaster Declaration.
 - Reviews local animal holding plan with local agencies.
 - Notifies/coordinates with law enforcement.
 - Notifies/coordinates with those involved with decontamination.

Governor/Governor's Office

- Notified by NDA of the disease incident.
- Confers with NDA and NEMA (see above).
- May contact affected state(s) or be contacted by them.