

**Hurricane Isabel  
Situation Report  
6:00 PM 9/18/03**



**Operational Period  
6:00 AM – 6:00 PM  
Emergency Programs  
Division  
NCDA&CS**

## Situation Reports

### OPERATIONS:

#### General:

- Resolved email addresses for Case Farms, Murphy Farms, Carrolls Foods, CBP resources.
- Monitored email for [ops.crc@ncmail.net](mailto:ops.crc@ncmail.net); and created email tracking system
- Communication with public health on food/health assessments currently being conducted by DEHNR.
- Worked with State Emergency Management regarding staffing of eastern regional branch office.
- Developed recommendation guidelines for disposal /burial of dead animals. Posted plan on EOP web site, formatted plan for email request and provided plan to public affairs for press release.

#### Field Operations:

- Field ops assessment team personnel staged in homes awaiting deployment upon request from counties through EM. Have approximately 20 people from Animal Health Programs, Poultry Inspection, EP, and Pest Management and other Divisions.
- Dr. JoAnna Walsh-Week deployed to Central Branch EM Office (1200 thur).

#### Mortality/Disposal:

- No reported animal mortality as of 1330 today.
- Preliminary Assessment conducted through industry contacts. No obvious animal issues in county reported to us.

#### Sheltering:

**Bertie** County Animal Response Team is accepting companion animals at the animal shelter on County Farm Road, Windsor. Contact the local emergency hotline at 252-794-6370

**Brunswick** County Animal Response Team is accepting companion animals at the Brunswick County Animal Services shelter at 429 Green Swamp Road, Supply. Contact Joe Newman at 910-754-8204

**Chowan** County Animal Response Team has set up temporary shelter for companion animals at Edenton Recreational Center, North Oakes St., Edenton. Owners need to bring crates, food, bedding, cat litter and food bowls. Contact Mary Bass 252-312-9806.

**Dare** County Animal Response Team are accepting companion animals at the animal shelter in Manteo. Contact Lori Brazell at 252-256-1696

**Harnett** County Animal Response Team has established an animal shelter for companion animals at the Harnett County animal shelter at 1100 McKay Place, Lillington. Contact Tino Medina at 910-814-2952

**Johnson** County Animal Response Team has set up temporary sheltering for horses in conjunction with the North Carolina Equine Rescue League. Contact Melanie Barnes at 919-894-5835. Proof of current negative Coggins test is required.

**Lenoir** County Animal Response Team has set up a temporary animal shelter for both livestock (but not horses) and companion animals at Kinston Livestock Arena. Contact Eva Honeycutt at 252-521-3745

**New Hanover** County Animal Response Team are accepting companion animals at the New Hanover County Animal Services shelter on 180 Division Drive, Wilmington. Contact Jean McNeil at 910-341-4197 x209

**Martin** County Animal Response Team have established an equine shelter at the Bob Martin Eastern Agricultural Center, Williamston. Contact Brian Dygert at 252-792-5802 x1

**Onslow** County Animal Response Team has established a co-located shelter in Jacksonville Commons Middle School, Jacksonville, housing evacuees and their pets in the same facility. Owners need to bring their own dog crates or cat carriers, as well as food, bowls, cat litter, leashes and bedding. Contact Karen Spivey at 910-455-5873

**Pitt** County Animal Response Team in Greenville is accepting companion animals at the animal shelter at 4550 County Home Rd, Greenville. Contact Michele Whaley at 252-355-7879

**Wayne** County Animal Response Team has set up temporary sheltering for large animals, including horses at Wayne Regional Fairgrounds on US 117S in Goldsboro. The shelter can also accommodate companion animals if owners bring their own carriers, food, bowls, cat litter, leashes and bedding. Contact Eileen Coite at 919-588-0025 or Wayne Co. Cooperative Extension office at 919-731-1525

**CARTS on some level of activation:**

**Bladen County**  
**Brunswick County**  
**Chatham County**

**Chowan County  
Columbus County  
Craven County  
Cumberland County  
Davidson County  
Durham County  
Forsythe County  
Gaston County  
Greene County  
Harnett County  
Hoke County  
Johnson County  
Jones County  
Lenoir County  
Mecklenburg County  
Montgomery County  
Nash County  
Onslow County  
Pitt County  
Richmond County  
Scotland County  
Wayne County**

**Search and Rescue:**

**Search and rescue continues to prepare for needs that will arise in the aftermath of the hurricane. SART has five specialized teams in staging for small and large animal Search and Rescue. Mobile unit available for deployment. One rescue was completed by the Pender County Animal Response Team of a horse that was stuck in a pond.**

**Veterinary Services:** Local veterinarians are reporting in to their local County teams. Veterinary personnel are staffing the SART Hotline at 888-989-SART. We also have a veterinary available to provide Spanish translation, and have responded to one call from a Spanish-speaking family in Wake county that was attempting to evacuate, and needed instruction as to the sheltering of their animals. The Eastern Regional Team Veterinary Team is on stand-by. Dr. Amy Lewis of the team appeared at noon on WRAL. Dr. Tom McGinn appeared on NC-17

## **LOGISTICS**

- **Continue to coordinate staffing for Section for 3 days, three shifts each day.**
- **Requested ISS to develop electronic task tracking system**
- **Track all requests submitted by the Sections. Add hard-copy task tracked on all Section journals into new electronic tracking system.**
- **Assure personnel are staffed to check EM2000 and to man the phone in the CRC.**
- **Continue to call and ascertain the status of landfills to accept mortalities.**
- **Requested ISS to develop maps for use by operations field staff when conducting assessments. The maps will show geographic information for animal welfare and livestock facilities.**
- **Develop an electronic copy of the procedures for using generator.**

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- **Determined amount of petty cash needed for field assessment teams and communicated with Finance.**
- **Procured office supplies for use by staff in the CRC.**
- **Staffing for Operations Section Chief adjusted due to conflict with second shift.**
- **Locate six (6) 4-wheel drive vehicles for use by CDC officials to conduct human health surveys. Vehicles provided by NCDA&CS Plant Protection, Agronomics and Research Farms Divisions.**
- **Communicated to SART the contact name and number for volunteer to move animal medicines in disaster areas.**
- **Secured warehousing for public donations of animal feeds and supplies. The warehouse is owned and staffed by Plant Industry. The facility is located at Dorthea Dix Hospital.**
- **Revised instructions for the 204 form to correlate with specific the event, Hurricane Isabel to reflect daily reporting. Distributed 204 forms to all Section Heads and requested they require their staff to complete the forms before they are demobilized for the day.**
- **Set up phone message boxes in the CRC for each Section.**

- **Located desk and moved it into Finance Section for use by administrative staff.**
- **Requested meals from EOC for staff working evening shift.**
- **Sorted landfill and composers lists to determine facilities that can take post storm moralties. Placed calls to 22 locations, only two were opened to receive calls. Action Item: Continue to contact other plants.**
- **Reserved rooms for staff for out of town staff for Thursday night.**
- **Disposal memo and attachments developed in coordination with NC DENR.**
- **Assembled generator cable for second generator.**
- **Approval obtained for second generator. It was wired and installed for use.**
- **Obtained vendor procedures for starting and operating generators and a copy was given to Planning Section.**
- **Disposal list located in "H"Drive was corrupted. ISS removed problem and a clean copy was sent to Dr. Jimmy Kitrell.**

## **PLANNING**

- Completed IAP for 9/18/03 10:00 pm-6:00 am operational period.
- Forwarded electronic copies of the NCDA&CS-Emergency Programs Incident Action Plan for September 17, 2003 3:00-10:00 p.m. period to [dhoell@ncem.org](mailto:dhoell@ncem.org) and [ktaylor@ncem.org](mailto:ktaylor@ncem.org). An electronic copy was also forwarded to Interim Commissioner Britt Cobb along with a copy filed in the briefing issues book. An electronic copy was also forwarded to Brandon Peele ([Brandon.Peele@ncmail.net](mailto:Brandon.Peele@ncmail.net)) for posting on the web site.
- Monitored plans email account for incoming messages.

## **Finance**

- Purchasing approval limits were set for personnel, logistics and finance
- Overtime issues with Human Resources were resolved by a letter of approval from Mr. David Smith. The letter is on file with the Finance Chief.

- A petty cash fund and operational procedures to be utilized by disaster teams for emergency field purchases was established. The fund is on hand and appropriate forms are available for using the fund.
- Current Finance procedures were e-mailed to IC Teams and Emergency Programs personnel.
- Various e-mail distribution lists were exported to Emergency “H” drive, EMAIL folder, Address Book Subfolder for use by IC Teams.
- Division Directors were e-mailed to request Hurricane Isabel expenditures and man-hours reporting, per reporting guidelines. An electronic version of the IC Form 204 was attached.
- Spread sheets were developed to capture information required for the required finance reports.