

Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association Minnesota Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps

DISASTER RESOURCE GUIDE

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Preface and Acknowledgements

Dear Colleagues and Friends,

On behalf of the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association, I am pleased to support the Minnesota Veterinary Medical Reserve Corps as they introduce the Resource Guide. This important resource will serve as a valuable tool as Minnesota begins to compile and catalog state and local resources that can then be used in the event of a disaster or emergency that will require an effective and timely response for the safety and well-being of our state's animals.

It is important that our profession be seen as the veterinary authority to support state agencies, counties and emergency managers in times of disaster or emergencies. Through proper organization and coordination of these agencies, Minnesota veterinarians will be able to contribute immensely to animal welfare in this state.

Sincerely,

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President
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Region: _____

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I. Introduction

In the event of a natural disaster, veterinarians and veterinary support staff are uniquely qualified to provide the clinical skills, equipment and supplies in the rescue and treatment of pets, horses, livestock and wildlife. The Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association (MVMA) is organizing veterinary resources on a regional basis (Appendix A) and developing this disaster resource guide for each region in Minnesota. The guide will be completed by the designated Veterinary Disaster Coordinator whose main responsibilities are outlined in this guide.

Each region in Minnesota will receive a guide for their Veterinary Coordinator to complete. A copy of the completed guide for each region will be housed at the MVMA headquarters in St. Paul in the event of loss or damage to the original guide. Also, a copy of the completed guide will be sent to the local agencies that will be actively responding to disasters and will provide them an organized list of veterinary related resources.

The intent of this guide is to organize veterinary resources and provide mechanisms for those resources to be used within the existing plans for disaster response. It is unlikely that veterinarians will be first respondents in a disaster, and it is imperative that we work within the existing incident command system for the particular disaster. Through training, organization and coordination with agencies involved in each disaster, Minnesota veterinarians can contribute immensely to animal welfare.

This guide was prepared by the MVMA MNVMRC/Disaster Response Committee.

Statement of Purpose-MNVMRC/Disaster Response Committee

To oversee the MNVMRC, develop training tools for MNVMRC members, to develop an annex to the Minnesota Emergency Operations Plan and expand the working relationships with neighboring states in order to facilitate veterinary response teams that may be deployed in emergencies or disasters. Support infrastructure of veterinary medicine in Minnesota in time of disaster or emergency

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II. How to Use This Guide

1. The responsibilities of the Regional Veterinary Coordinator are outlined in Section III of the Disaster Guide. The following steps detail how to use this guide to accumulate resources prior to a disaster.
2. Please make copies of all pages which have the following noted at the bottom: "Please copy as many extra blank pages as needed prior to filling out above." Please make plenty of extra copies and **avoid using the original page**.
3. The Veterinary Coordinator will send the Disaster Resource Survey (Appendix D) to all veterinarians and veterinary technicians in the Coordinator's region.
4. Send Animal Care and Holding Surveys (Appendix C) to all veterinary hospitals, shelters, kennels, etc in your region to develop the resources for Section VII. Place completed surveys in Section VII.
5. Retype the Model Letter to Organizations (Appendix B) on your letterhead or MVMA letterhead and send to the appropriate agencies and organizations in your region that may assist veterinarians in caring for animals during a disaster. Please record each letter sent and received. For ideas or addresses of local agencies, see Section III and contact the state agency or regional office for information.
6. Send a letter to the phone company and follow up with a telephone call. This will ensure that the phone line at the designated "command post" will be open during a disaster.
7. Contact Local Disaster Resources and fill in Section IV.
8. Add all returned surveys to your guide and complete as many sections of the guide as practical in your region. Send a quality copy of your completed guide to the MVMA. The MVMA will store the copy at the St. Paul office and will also make as many copies as you need to distribute to local agencies and organizations that you have identified (please include names, addresses and phone numbers of the organizations selected). If the original copy is lost or damaged, call the MVMA office or MNVMRC coordinator for another copy.
9. Please acknowledge all copyrights (see Acknowledgements).
10. Thank you for donating your valuable time to the disaster effort!

III. Veterinary Disaster Team

A. MVMA MNVMRC/Disaster Response Committee



B. State MNVMRC Coordinator



C. Regional MNVMRC Coordinator



D. Other members of the Veterinary Disaster Team

- Veterinarians
- Veterinary Technicians
- Communications Specialists
- Photographer/Videographer
- Logistics Specialist
- Volunteers

III. Veterinary Disaster Team

A. MVMA MNVMRC/Disaster Response Committee

Chair: Garry Goemann, DVM, MPH

Responsibilities:

1. Select regional veterinary coordinators.
2. Assist in the update of the MVMA/MNRMVC Disaster Response Resource Guide annually.
3. Help develop training programs for veterinarians to become certified disaster workers covered by state insurance.
4. Help develop continuing education training for MNVMRC members.
5. Initiate contact with other agencies and organizations involved with disaster planning.
6. Initiate contact with neighboring states within EMAC to develop a network of certified disaster workers.
7. Prepare committee agenda, moderate committee meetings and maintain committee meeting minutes.
8. Prepare committee reports for MVMA board meetings.
9. Will be responsible for all MNVMRC State Coordinator responsibilities until a coordinator is appointed.

III. Veterinary Disaster Team

B. State MNVMRC Coordinator

Kathy Jorgensen, DVM, MPH, DACVPM

Responsibilities:

1. Maintain communication with each regional coordinator.
2. Assist in the update of the MVMA/MNVMRC Disaster Response Resource Guide annually.
3. Collect reports from Regional Coordinators to document veterinary care during a disaster.
4. Study veterinary response and coordination following each disaster to modify the Guide to create a more efficient manual.
5. Help develop training programs for veterinarians to become certified disaster workers covered by state insurance.
6. Help develop continuing education for MNVMRC members.
7. Maintain contact with agencies and organizations involved with disaster planning.
8. Maintain contact with neighboring states and regularly reassess infrastructure, issues and needs.
9. Prepare committee reports and give updates at board meetings.

III. Veterinary Disaster Team

C. Regional MNVMRC Coordinator-Region # _____

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Fax Number _____

Cell Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Email _____

Home Address _____

Work Address _____

Responsibilities:

1. The Regional MNVMRC Coordinator will send out and collect the Disaster Resource Survey to all veterinarians and veterinary technicians within the region.
2. The Coordinator is designated to complete the regional guide and send a copy of the guide to the MVMA. The MVMA will keep one copy for backup reference and will reproduce copies for the Coordinators to distribute to the appropriate agency contacts.
3. During and emergency, the Coordinator will serve as the resource contact for all agencies, veterinarians, media and animal owners. The Coordinator will arrange to have his or her phone line on the phone company's list to be kept open during a disaster.
4. The Coordinator should be available at all times to respond to disasters by phone. In the event the Coordinator will not available, the State Coordinator should be informed so alternate plans can be made.
5. The Coordinators will serve on the MVMA MNVMRC/Disaster Response Committee.
6. The Coordinator shall attend appropriate media training.
7. The Coordinator should encourage veterinary personnel within the region to complete the Disaster Resource Survey and participate in disaster preparedness.
8. The Coordinator should have access to current maps of his or her region and locations of veterinary clinics within the region.
9. Select a "Command Post" (designated meeting place) with communications and a phone line that will be open during a disaster by prior arrangement with the phone company and/or county emergency management. Alternate command post sites may need to be considered on a county-by-county basis.

10. Triage-determine which needs are most important, which areas and species of animals are involved, which supplies are needed and transportation available.
11. In the case of a prolonged event, the Coordinator will conduct staff meetings to assess the changing veterinary needs during a disaster.
12. Disaster training will be provided by MNVMRC. Training will be strongly encouraged for all participants in the disaster preparedness program. Veterinarians will not be able to cross into areas declared off limits by the government unless they have been credentialed as a certified disaster worker prior.
13. Create a Pet Hotline if possible. Give this number to your media spokesperson to be released to the media during a disaster.
14. Work closely with local Red Cross and Humane Groups. The Coordinator may also join the disaster committee of the organization(s).

IV. Agencies and Organizations

A. Federal Agencies

1. Federal Emergency Management Agency <http://www.FEMA.gov/>
500 C Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20472
Disaster Assistance: (800) 621-FEMA, TTY (800) 462-7585
2. United States Dept of Agriculture <http://www.usda.gov>
1400 Independence Ave., S.W.
Washington, DC 20250
3. U.S. Department of Homeland Security <http://www.dhs.gov/index.shtm>
U.S. Department of Homeland Security
Washington, D.C. 20528
4. Department of Health and Human Services <http://www.hhs.gov/>
200 Independence Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20201
Telephone: (202) 619-0257
Toll Free: (877) 696-6775
5. Center for Disease Control <http://www.cdc.gov/>
1600 Clifton Rd. Atlanta, GA 30333
Telephone: (800) 311-3435
6. National Transportation Safety Board <http://www.nts.gov/>
490 L'Enfant Plaza, SW
Washington, DC 20594
(202) 314-6000
7. Animal Plant Health Inspection Service <http://www.aphis.usda.gov/>
USDA/APHIS/OEMHS
4700 River Road, Unit 72,
Suite 5D06
Riverdale, MD 20737
Phone: (301) 436-3170
Fax: (301) 734-3123
APHIS Emergency Operations Center Telephone: 301-436-3110

IV. Agencies and Organizations

B. State of Minnesota

1. Minnesota Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management
<http://www.hsem.state.mn.us/>
444 Cedar Street, Suite 223
St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-6223
HSEM Phone: (651) 201-7400
2. Minnesota Board of Animal Health <http://www.bah.state.mn.us/>
625 Robert St. N.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Telephone: (651) 296-2942
TTY: (800) 627-3529
3. Minnesota Department of Agriculture <http://www.mda.state.mn.us/>
625 Robert St. N.
St. Paul, MN 55155
Telephone: (800) 967-2474
TTY: (800) 627-3529
4. Minnesota Department of Health <http://www.health.state.mn.us/>
P.O. Box 64975
St. Paul, MN 55164-0975
Telephone: (651)201-5000
Toll Free: (888) 345-0823
TTY: (651) 201-5797
5. Minnesota Dept of Natural Resources <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/index.html>
500 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155-4040
Telephone: (888) 646-6367
TTY: (800)657-3929
6. US Fish and Wildlife <http://www.dnr.state.mn.us/fishwildlife/index.html>
Telephone: (651) 259-5180
Fax (651) 297-7272
7. Minnesota Dept of Transportation <http://www.dot.state.mn.us/>
395 John Ireland Boulevard
St. Paul, MN 55155-1899
Telephone: (800) 657-3774
TTY: (800) 627-3529
8. Minnesota State Patrol <http://www.dps.state.mn.us/patrol/>
444 Cedar St. Suite 130
St. Paul, MN 55010
Telephone: (651) 201-7100

9. Minnesota Pollution Control Agency <http://www.pca.state.mn.us/>
520 Lafayette Road
St. Paul, MN 55155-4194
Telephone: (800) 657-3846
24 hour emergency: (800) 422-0798
10. Farm Service Agency
<http://www.fsa.usda.gov/FSA/stateoffapp?mystate=mn&area=home&subject=landing&topic=landing>
375 Jackson Street, Suite 400
St. Paul, MN 55101
Telephone 651-602-7700
Fax 651-602-7744

C. Regional Organizations

1. Local Emergency Management

Region # _____

Regional Emergency Manager: _____

Contact Information: _____

2. Counties-organized by county

County: _____

Sheriff: _____

Sheriff Dept Contact Information: _____

County Emergency Manager: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Health Dept: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Environmental Services: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Public Works Dept: _____

Contact Information: _____

County: _____

Sheriff: _____

Sheriff Dept Contact Information: _____

County Emergency Manager: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Health Dept: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Environmental Services: _____

Contact Information: _____

County Public Works Dept: _____

Contact Information: _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names

D. Organizations

1. American Humane Association
<http://www.americanhumane.org/animals/programs/emergency-services/>
63 Inverness Drive East
Englewood, CO 80112
2. Minnesota Federated Humane Society <http://www.humanesocieties.net/>
6613 Penn Avenue South, Suite 100
Richfield, Minnesota 55423
Telephone: (612) 866-8663
Fax: (612) 861-1786
3. Wildlife Rehab-by county
http://files.dnr.state.mn.us/eco/nongame/rehabilitation/rehabers_list.pdf
4. American Kennel Club http://www.akc.org/index.cfm?nav_area=homepage
5. American Red Cross Chapters (Appendix H) <http://www.redcross.org/mn>
6. Search Rescue and Recovery <http://www.srrrmn.org/>
Telephone: 855-4-SRRRMN (855-477-7766)
Email: emergency@srrrmn.org
7. Minnesota Search and Rescue Dog Organization <http://www.minnsarda.com/>
Telephone: (763) 441-3734
8. Minnesota Horse Council <http://www.mnhorsecouncil.org/>
P.O. Box 223 Plato, MN 55370
Telephone: (763) 755-7729
9. Minnesota State Cattlemen's Association <http://www.mnsca.org/> A
23722 230th St.
Hutchinson, MN 55350
Telephone: (612) 618-6619
10. Minnesota Pork Producers <http://www.mppainsider.org/>
151 Saint Andrews Court, Suite 810
Mankato, MN 56001
Telephone: (507) 345-8681
11. Minnesota Milk Producers Association <http://www.mnmilk.org>
108 Marty Drive, Suite 2
Buffalo, MN 55313
Telephone: (763) 355-9697
12. Minnesota Farmer's Union <http://www.mfu.org/>
600 County Road D West, Suite 14
St. Paul, MN 55112
Telephone: (651) 639-1223
Toll free: (800) 969-3380
13. Minnesota Turkey Growers Association <http://minnesotaturkey.com/>
108 Marty Drive
Buffalo, MN 55313
Telephone: (763) 682-2171
14. Minnesota Lamb and Wool Producers Association <http://www.mlwp.org/>
15. Minnesota Companion Rabbit Society <http://mnhouserabbit.org/>

C. Educational Institutions (Minnesota and Border States)

1. University of Minnesota College of Veterinary Medicine
<http://www.cvm.umn.edu/>
1365 Gortner Avenue
St. Paul, Minnesota 55108
2. Ridgewater College (Veterinary Technology) Willmar, MN
<https://www.ridgewater.edu/programs-and-majors/technical-programs/Veterinary-Technology/Pages/default.aspx>
Allan Balay DVM, Program Director
Telephone: (320) 222-8620
3. Minnesota School of Business <http://www.msbcollge.edu/>
7 locations in Minnesota providing veterinary technician programs
4. Argosy University <https://www.argosy.edu/locations/twin-cities/health-sciences-1/associate-of-applied-science-in-veterinary-technology>
1515 Central Park Way
Eagan, MN 55121
5. North Dakota State University <http://www.ndsu.edu/>
Veterinary Technology Program
Animal Science Program
Livestock research and holding facilities
6. University of Minnesota Crookston <http://www.umcrookston.edu/>
Animal Science Program
Equine Science Program
Livestock research and holding facilities
7. Rochester Community and Technical College <http://www.rctc.edu/>
Veterinary Technology Program
Equine Science Program
8. Minnesota State Community and Technical College (Fergus Falls Campus)
<http://www.minnesota.edu/index.php>
Equine Science Program
9. University of Wisconsin-River Falls <http://www.uwrf.edu/>
Animal Science Program
10. South Dakota State University-Brookings <http://www3.sdstate.edu/>
Animal Science Program

Note: all institutions have animal science programs and may be beneficial as contacts or potential holding facilities.

D. Military Bases

1. Air Force Base-Minneapolis-St. Paul Air Reserve Station
<http://www.afreserve.com/?Base:Minneapolis>
Telephone: (800) 257-1212
2. Camp Ripley (Minnesota National Guard)
http://www.minnesotanationalguard.org/camp_ripley/index.php
15000 Highway 115
Little Falls, MN 56345-4173
Telephone: (320) 616-2699

E. Minnesota Veterinary Organizations

1. MVMA <http://www.mvma.org/>
101 Bridgepoint Way Suite 100
South St. Paul, MN 55075
Telephone: (651) 645-7533
2. Arrowhead Veterinary Medical Association
tom.rietveld1@gmail.com
3. Heart of the Lakes Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. William Rose, President lvcrose@arvig.net
PO Box 40
Perham, MN 56573
Telephone: (218) 346-6550
4. Minnesota Association of Equine Practitioners
jlsequinedvm@gmail.com
5. Minnesota Valley Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Dennis Rossiter drossiter@mchsi.com
109 W. Grace St.
St. Peter, MN 56082
Telephone: (507) 931-4700
6. Southeastern Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Laura Toddie, President ltoddies@aol.com
2117 N. Hwy 52
Rochester, MN 55901
Telephone: (507) 288-2050
7. Southwestern Minnesota Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Ron Kuecker
650 21st St.
Windom, MN 56101
Telephone: (507) 831-4363
8. Suburban Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Holly Neaton, President
Dr. Craig Piepkorn, Communications
westsuburbanvets@yahoo.com
9. West Central Veterinary Medical Association
Dr. Dan Hartsell, President
217 Lake St.
Alexandria, MN 56308
Telephone: (320) 763-9922
10. Basic Animal Rescue Training (BART) <http://basicanimalrescuetraining.org/>
P.O. Box 130967
St. Paul, MN 55113-0009
Janet Olson (612) 282-2608

V. Local Resources

A. Telephone (landline and cellular) Company Liaison(s):

- Company_____ Phone_____
- Contact_____
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B. Search and Rescue

- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____

C. Humane Organizations (Appendix J)

- Organization_____ Contact_____
- Phone_____ Email_____
- Organization_____ Contact_____
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D. Rendering Companies

- Central Bi-Products http://fuillc.com/central_bi/index.html
PO Box 319
Redwood Falls, MN 56283
Telephone: (507) 637-2938
- Central Bi-Products http://fuillc.com/central_bi/index.html
PO Box 359
Long Prairie, MN 56346
Telephone: (320) 732-2819
- Darling International, Inc. <http://www.darlingii.com/>
9000 382nd Ave.
Blue Earth, MN 56013
Telephone: (507) 526-3296
- Darling International, Inc. <http://www.darlingii.com/>
31252 Lumpy Rd.
Chatfield, MN 55923
Telephone: (507) 867-4641
- JBS Swift & Co. <http://www.jbssa.com/>
1700 NE Hwy 60
Worthington, MN 56187
Telephone: (507) 372-2121
- Sanimax, LLC <http://www.sanimax.com/>
PO Box 56
South St. Paul, MN 55075
Telephone: (651) 451-6858

E. Local American Red Cross Contacts (Appendix H)

- Chapter _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
- Chapter _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
- Chapter _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
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Phone _____ Email _____

F. Wildlife Rehab

- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____
- Name_____ Phone_____

G. Cremation Services

- Pet Cremation Services of Minnesota <http://www.petcremationofmn.com/>
5249 W. 73rd St. Suite F
Edina, MN 55439
Telephone: (952) 925-1234
- Midwest Cremation Service of Minnesota, Inc. <http://mcsfomn.com/>
20323 St. Francis Blvd.
Anoka, MN 55303
Telephone: (763) 753-5510
- Cherished Pet Cremation Services of Southern MN
<http://cherishedpetcremation.net/About%20Us.html>
403 9th St. SE
Hayfield, MN 55940
Telephone: (507) 477-3311
- At-Rest-Pet Cremation
335 Susanna Lane
Bovey, MN 55709
Telephone: (218) 245-1226
- At-Rest-Pet Cremation
988 NW 20th St.
Grand Rapids, MN 55744
Telephone: (218) 327-0834

- Forever Yours Pet Cremation Services
8 12th St. NW
Rochester, MN 55901
Telephone: (507) 319-6221
- Heavenly Paws Pet Cremation Services
22925 Co Rd 7
St. Cloud, MN 56301
Telephone: (320) 761-1066
- Paws, Claws and Hooves <http://www.pawsclawshooves.com/home.cfm>
10500 Great Plains Blvd
Chanhassen, MN 55318
Telephone: (952) 445-6403

F. Alternative Communications Resources (Ham radios, portable radios, etc)

- Organization _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
- Organization _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
- Organization _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____
- Organization _____ Contact _____
Phone _____ Email _____

VI. Veterinary Personnel

Introduction:

The following are veterinarians and veterinary technicians who have volunteered to provide medical support and/or equipment during an emergency or disaster. Please compile and complete list. Please include special training and/or experience each individual possesses and the practice or institution with which they are affiliated. Please note the preferred number at which to reach them in an emergency.

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Fax Number _____

Cell Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Email _____

Home Address _____

Work Address _____

Disaster Training _____

Disaster Experience _____

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Fax Number _____

Cell Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Email _____

Home Address _____

Work Address _____

Disaster Training _____

Disaster Experience _____

Name _____

Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

Fax Number _____

Cell Phone _____

Other Phone _____

Email _____

Home Address _____

Work Address _____

Disaster Training _____

Disaster Experience _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

VII. Transportation

Introduction:

During a disaster or emergency, transport of large and small animals from the disaster site to an appropriate holding facility is a critical link to an organized rescue effort. Please complete the transportation resource list below. For large scale disasters, the Department of Transportation may be able to provide large trucks (See Section IV). Below is a possible list of resources followed by two pages of blank information sheets to fill in the local participating groups and individuals.

A. Small Animal Transportation Checklist

- _____ 1. Mobile Veterinary Clinics
- _____ 2. Mobile Dog Kennels (hunting clubs, etc)
- _____ 3. Animal Control Vehicles
- _____ 4. Private Vans, Trucks and Trailers
(Covered vehicles equipped with dividers, crates or airline carriers to separate animals during transport)
- _____ 5. Local Kennel Clubs
- _____ 6. Local Humane Organizations

B. Large Animal Transportation Checklist

- _____ 1. Local Saddle Clubs/Mounted Reserves
- _____ 2. Private Horse Trailers
- _____ 3. Animal Control Vehicles and Horse Trailers
- _____ 4. Horse Transport Companies
- _____ 5. Livestock Transport
- _____ 6. University, State or Community/Technical Colleges (See Section IV)

If possible, transportation will include a vehicle that will stop at Red Cross centers to pick up pets for boarding or treatment. Appropriate authorization forms/medical records must be signed, and adequate identification is needed for each animal. The owner will be given a number to call to check on his or her animal. Coordinate closely with animal shelters, veterinary hospitals and kennels.

C. Small Animal Transportation Resources

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

D. Large Animal Transportation Resources

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Description of transportation resource: _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

VIII. Animal Care and Holding Facilities

Introduction: Animal holding facilities are the most valuable resource in a disaster or emergency. A triage system must be implemented to transport animals needing veterinary care to veterinary hospitals and healthy but lost animals to shelters, kennels, etc. Animal identification during transport and holding is essential. Standardized medical records must be kept on all animals treated during the disaster (Appendices E and G). Depending on the number of injured animals, veterinary hospitals may also be used as boarding facilities until the owners can be located and have a place for their pet.

Please contact veterinarians, kennel operators, animal control facilities and other interested parties in your region that may be able to provide animal sheltering during a disaster. Make copies of the Animal Care and Holding Survey in Appendix C and send the survey to facility owners to develop a list of holding areas and treatment areas for animals during a disaster. This will be valuable information regarding the capacity and capabilities of each facility. Record all contracts and offers for space and keep records in the guide. Animal identification during treatment and holding is essential.

Please keep a running list of names to which the surveys are sent. The following is a checklist that can be used to keep track of each category as the surveys are sent.

A. Small Animal/Exotic/Wildlife

- _____ 1. Kennels and Boarding Facilities
- _____ 2. SPCA/Humane Organizations
- _____ 3. Animal Control
- _____ 4. Wildlife Rehabilitation Centers

B. Large Animal/Equine

- _____ 1. Mixed, Large Animal and Equine Veterinarians
- _____ 2. Stables, Racetracks, Private Farms
- _____ 3. Local FFA/4-H Groups
- _____ 4. Local Educational Institutions
- _____ 5. Fairgrounds
- _____ 6. Stockyards
- _____ 7. Rodeo Arenas/Show grounds

A. Small Animal Holding Facilities

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Kennel space available: Large Dogs _____ Small Dogs _____ Cats _____ Exotic _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Kennel space available: Large Dogs _____ Small Dogs _____ Cats _____ Exotic _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Kennel space available: Large Dogs _____ Small Dogs _____ Cats _____ Exotic _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

B. Large Animal Holding Facilities

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Can accommodate: Horses _____ Cattle _____ Small Ruminants _____ Pigs _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Can accommodate: Horses _____ Cattle _____ Small Ruminants _____ Pigs _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

Facility Name _____

Facility Address _____

Owner's Name _____

Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Can accommodate: Horses _____ Cattle _____ Small Ruminants _____ Pigs _____

Microchip/scanner available: _____ Yes _____ No

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

IX. Veterinary Support/Services and Supplies

Introduction: During a disaster, veterinary hospitals and holding facilities will require extra supplies. These supplies may include pharmaceuticals for emergency veterinary care, medical supplies, vaccines and pet food. Diagnostics may need to be sent to a laboratory that is willing to operate for emergency samples. Please contact representatives in each category before a disaster occurs so that you will have an established network of colleagues and emergency contact numbers.

A. Allied Industry

1. Henry Schein Animal Health <https://www.henryscheinvet.com/>
Telephone: (855) 724-3461
Local Rep _____
2. Animal Health International <http://www.animalhealthinternational.com/>
822 7th St Ste 740
Greeley, CO 80631
Phone: 800-854-7664
Local Rep _____
3. Midwest Veterinary Supply <http://www.midwestvet.net/>
11965 Larc Industrial Blvd
Burnsville, MN 55337
Telephone: (800) 328-2975
Local Rep _____
4. MWI Veterinary Supply <http://mwivet.com/>
651 S. Stratford Drive, Suite 100
Meridian, Idaho 83642
Telephone: (800) 824-3703
Local Rep _____
5. Nelson Laboratories <http://www.nelsonlab.com/>
4001 N. Lewis
Sioux Falls, SD 57104
Telephone: (800) 843-3322
Local Rep _____
6. Boehringer Ingelheim <http://us.boehringer-ingelheim.com/>
Local Rep _____
7. Elanco <http://www.elanco.com/>
2001 West Main Street P.O. Box 708
Greenfield, IN 46140 USA
Telephone: (800) 428-4441
Local Rep _____
8. Home Again <http://www.homeagain.com/>
Local Rep _____

9. Hills <http://www.hillspet.com/>
P.O. Box 148
Topeka, KS 66601-0148
Telephone: (800) 445-5777
Local Rep _____
10. Merck <http://www.merck-animal-health-usa.com/>
Local Rep _____
11. Merial <http://www.merial.com/>
3239 Satellite Boulevard Building 500
Duluth, GA 30096
Telephone: (678) 638-3000
Local Rep _____
12. Purina <http://www.purina.com/>
Checkerboard Square
St. Louis, Missouri 63164
Telephone: (314) 982-1000
Local Rep _____
13. Virbac <http://www.virbaccorp.com/>
3200 Meacham Blvd.
Fort Worth, TX 76137
Telephone: (800) 338-3659
Local Rep _____

B. Pet Supply Stores

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email _____

Phone _____ Cell or Home Phone _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

C. Feed Stores

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

Store Name _____ City _____

Contact _____ Email: _____

Phone: _____ Cell or Home Phone: _____

NOTE: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out names.

D. Diagnostic Laboratories

1. University of Minnesota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory
<http://www.cvm.umn.edu/vdl/home.html>
1333 Gortner Ave.
St. Paul, MN 55108
Telephone: (800) 605-8787
2. North Dakota Veterinary Diagnostic Laboratory <http://www.vdl.ndsu.edu/>
North Dakota State University
174 Van Es Hall
Fargo, ND 58105-5406 Telephone: (701) 231-7514
3. Marshfield Clinic Veterinary Diagnostic Services
<https://my.marshfieldclinic.org/veterinary/>
1000 North Oak Avenue
Marshfield WI 54449
Telephone: (800) 222-5835

X. Client Services

A. Client Awareness Poster for the MVMA/MNVMRC Disaster Response Program

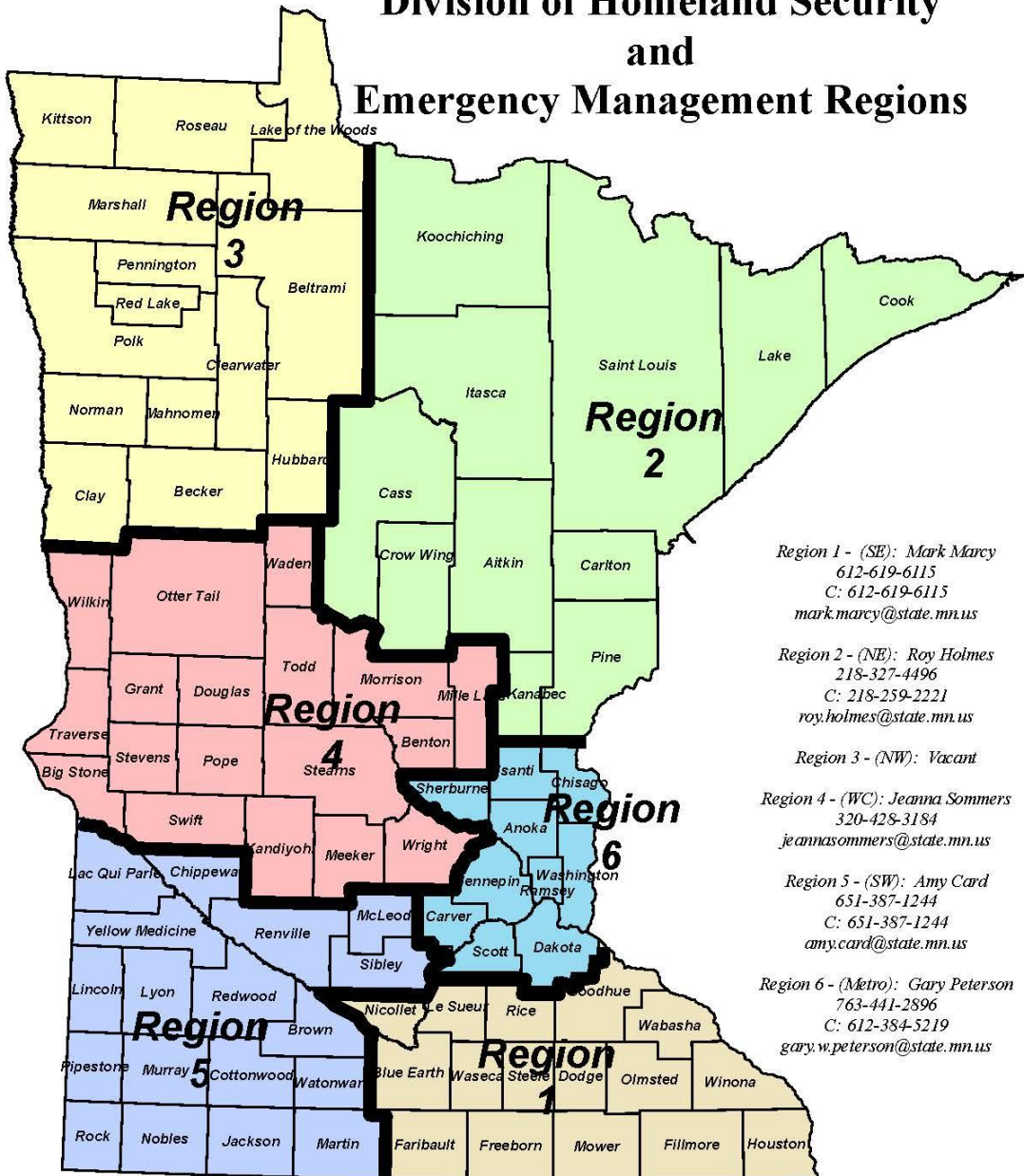
B. Client Education Handout (Appendix K)

XI. Coordinator Checklist (What to do in the event of a disaster)

- ✓ Meet at a designated “command post.” Coordinators may consider designating a specific command post in each county of their respective regions. Prearrange those members of the disaster team to meet automatically at command post if unable to contact or activate by the normal channels.
- ✓ Assess extent of disaster and plan to work in the least affected area. This may require moving the command post and setting up alternative communications systems.
- ✓ Form and plan for disaster. This may include:
 - a. Map of the affected area
 - b. Outline number of veterinary hospitals affected
 - c. Outline number of veterinary hospitals that may be needed to aid in treatment and sheltering of affected animals
 - d. Assess transportation needs and list resources to call
 - e. Identify liaisons to communicate resources and needs of veterinarians during the disaster to the incident commander for the disaster
 - f. Contact American Red Cross and locate Red Cross Shelters. Coordinate transportation from shelters to veterinary clinics.
 - g. Prepare for any situation that may be specific to your local area
- ✓ A communications liaison to develop alternative communications if phone lines or cellular towers are not operating. Prior contact with County Emergency Management Directors may be beneficial.
- ✓ Designate a Logistics Specialist to organize supplies and call appropriate resources to arrange deliveries.
- ✓ Send out trained and certified personnel to assess animal needs during a disaster. A good relationship with local agencies prior to the disaster may facilitate entrance into a closed area. Credentials do not ensure automatic access to a disaster zone.
- ✓ Formulate a safety plan and always review hazards prior to embarking on disaster assessments.
- ✓ Make up reasonable shift schedules for all volunteers and members of the veterinary disaster team. Refer staff to appropriate counseling if stress or fatigue are severe.
- ✓ Contact local humane organizations as they already may be coordinated with Red Cross shelters for animal pickup.



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*Region 1 - (SE): Mark Marcy
612-619-6115
C: 612-619-6115
mark.marcy@state.mn.us*

*Region 2 - (NE): Roy Holmes
218-327-4496
C: 218-259-2221
roy.holmes@state.mn.us*

Region 3 - (NW): Vacant

*Region 4 - (WC): Jeanna Sommers
320-428-3184
jeannasommers@state.mn.us*

*Region 5 - (SW): Amy Card
651-387-1244
C: 651-387-1244
amy.card@state.mn.us*

*Region 6 - (Metro): Gary Peterson
763-441-2896
C: 612-384-5219
gary.w.peterson@state.mn.us*

Minnesota Duty Officer - 1-800-422-0798 or 651-649-5451

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Appendix B

Model Letter to Organizations

Date

Dear _____

Recent disasters in the United States and especially the flooding in southern Minnesota and Iowa revealed a need for advance preparation to provide for animal welfare during disasters. The MVMA has been charge by the Board of Animal Health to establish a network of volunteer veterinarians and veterinary technicians available and trained in emergency and disaster procedures to respond and use their expertise in future disasters.

We are developing a regional resource guide for animal care during disasters along with a regional veterinary coordinator to develop and distribute this manual to the appropriate regional emergency personnel. Representatives of your organization can play a crucial role in aiding animals during a disaster by providing provisions, temporary shelter and trained personnel. We would like your input in developing this volunteer network and resource guide. If you have any information or people who should be involved, please contact me.

Sincerely,
Your Name

Your Title/Veterinary Regional Coordinator

Appendix C

MVMA/MNVMRC Disaster Response Resource Guide
Animal Care and Holding Survey

1. Your Facility's Name, Your Name, Address and Phone Numbers

- Facility_____
- Owner Name_____
- Facility Address_____
- Facility Phone_____ Owner's Home Phone_____
- Owner's Cell_____

2. What species of animals will you accept?

- Dog Cat Equine Avian Other (Specify)

3. How many cages of stalls do you have available?

_____Cages _____Runs _____Large Animal Stalls _____Corrals

4. Are you willing to provide services during a disaster (check one)?

- Pro Bono Reduced Fee Standard Fee

5. What are your minimum entry requirements for the animal to your facility?

- Not Applicable Rabies Other Vaccinations Parasite Control

- None Would you waive them during a disaster? Yes No

6. Do you have isolation facilities that could be used if needed? Yes No

7. Would your facility and/or support staff be available for disasters outside normal hours of operation? Yes No

8. Release: (to be signed by person to commit facility)

Print Name

Signature

Date

Appendix D

MVMA/MNVMRC Disaster Resource Information Survey

(You do not have to be a MVMA member to participate)

Name _____ Email _____

Home Address _____

Business Address _____

Home Phone _____ Business Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Other Phone _____

Veterinary Affiliation:

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Practice Owner | <input type="checkbox"/> Government |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Educational Institution | <input type="checkbox"/> Lab Animal Veterinarian |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Clinical Associate/Relief Veterinarian | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary Technician |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Veterinary Assistant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____ | |

Are you interested in participating in the MVMA disaster response program?

Yes No (please return for our records)

What is your area of clinical interest? (Check all that apply)

- Species: small animal equine lab animal
 food animal avian/exotic other (specify) _____
- Emphasis: general practice internal medicine
 surgery ophthalmology other (specify) _____
- Are you board certified? Yes (which board _____) No

Do you have formal or volunteer training in animal rehabilitation/rescue?

Yes (specify) _____ No

Do you have formal or volunteer training in canine search and rescue programs?

Yes (specify) _____ No

Are you interested in participating in the development of local canine search and rescue programs? Yes No

Do you have previous experience in disasters? Yes No

If yes, please list briefly: _____

Please list skills you possess that may be valuable in emergency situations:

Media training American Red Cross Training (specify) _____
 BART Emergency communications Ham radio

If you own a practice, would you be willing to make it available for animal care during a disaster? Yes No

Thank you for completing this survey

Appendix E

Medical Records

Date _____ Animal ID number _____

Name of Animal (if known) _____ Breed _____

Sex _____ Age _____ Weight _____ Vaccine Status _____

Animal's Medical History _____

Description _____

Microchip ID _____

Owner (if known) _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Any other contact info _____

Please list anyone authorized to care for or make decisions regarding your animal while at the shelter.

Name _____ Relation to owner _____

If no owner, please complete the following:

Date found _____

Location found (address or detailed description) _____

Transportation to hospital

Vehicle _____

Drive/Sponsor _____

Holding Facility or Veterinary Hospital

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Cage or Stall Number _____

I certify that I am the owner/agent of the above listed animal and authorize veterinary care as indicated. I understand that if I have not claimed my pet within 30 days that it will be considered abandoned.

Signature _____ Date _____

Appendix F

Request for Emergency Care and Release of Liability Form

The undersigned are owners (agents) of the animal described as follows:

Name of Animal _____ Species _____ Breed _____

Description of Animal _____

I request emergency sheltering and/or evacuation of the animal listed above due to a pending or occurring disaster. I hereby release the person or entity that is receiving the animal from any and all liability of injury or death during the care, transportation and sheltering of the above animal during and following this emergency. Person or entity includes but is not limited to: veterinarians assisting in the care of the above animal; professional animal haulers; authorized emergency workers at relocation facilities and their designees; relocation facilities and their staff; any and all government agencies. The owners (agents) acknowledge that if emergency conditions pose a threat to the safety of the animal, additional relocation may be necessary, and this release extends to such relocation.

The animal owners (agents) acknowledge that the risk of injury or death to the animal during an emergency cannot be eliminated (although every effort will be made to prevent harm to the animal) and agree to be responsible for any veterinary expenses which may be incurred in the treatment of their animal. Owners (agents) also acknowledge their responsibility to contribute to the feeding and if possible to the daily care of their animal.

Owners (agents) agree to claim animal within 30 days of admission into the facility or notify shelter workers of other arrangements if owners (agents) are not able to claim above animal. Owners (agents) acknowledge that above animal could be adopted or relocated if animal is not claimed within 30 days.

I will abide by the rules of this facility regarding the care and management of my animal(s) during their stay here.

Owner/Agent _____ Date _____
(please print)

Owner/Agent _____ Date _____
(signature)

Address _____

Phone _____ Other contact info _____

Witness _____ Date _____

Note: Please make as many extra blank copies as needed prior to filling out.

Appendix H

American Red Cross Chapters

Minnesota: <http://www.redcross.org/mn>

Regional Office: <http://www.redcross.org/mn/chapters/twin-cities>

Central MN: <http://www.redcross.org/mn/chapters/central>

Northern MN: <http://www.redcross.org/mn/chapters/northern>

Southeastern MN: <http://www.redcross.org/mn/chapters/southeast>

Southwestern MN: <http://www.redcross.org/mn/chapters/southwest>

Appendix I

Hotels/Motels that Accept Pets

- Americas Best Value Inn
- Ascend
- Candlewood Suites
- Clarion
- Comfort Inn
- Crowne Plaza
- EconoLodge
- Extended Stay America
- Homestead
- Holiday Inn
- Hotel Indigo
- Intercontinental
- La Quinta
- Klimpton
- Lexington
- MainStay Suites
- Motel 6
- My Place
- Quality Inn
- Red Roof Inn
- Residence Inn/Marriott
- Rodeway Inn
- Sleep Inn
- Staybridge Suites
- Studio 6
- Suburban

Information from: <http://petswelcome.com>

Appendix J

Active Humane Societies in Minnesota

- Humane Society of Freeborn County <http://www.hsffc.org/>
101 James Ave. PO Box 423
Albert Lea, MN 56007
Telephone: (507) 377-8501
- Lakes Area Humane Society <http://www.lakesareahumanesociety.org/>
3811 Nevada St. SW
Alexandria, MN 56308
Telephone: (320) 759-2260
- Mower County Humane Society emailmchs-dogs@yahoo.com
101 22nd Street SE
Austin, MN 55912
Telephone: (507) 437-9262
- Beltrami Humane Society bhsoc@paulbunyan.net
1612 Carr Lake Rd SE PO Box 1903
Bemidji, MN 56619
Telephone: (218) 751-7910
- Humane Society of Swift County HSSC01@hotmail.com
Benson, MN
Telephone: (888) 808-3497
- Heartland Animal Rescue Team director@hartpets.org
15494 Dellwood Drive
Brainerd, MN 56401
Telephone: (218) 829-4141
- Crossroads Animal Shelter <http://www.crossroadsshelter.org/>
2800 10th St. SE
Buffalo, MN 55313
Telephone: (763) 684-1234
- Minnesota Valley Humane Society <http://www.mvhspets.org>
1313 E. Hwy 13
Burnsville, MN 55337
Telephone: (952) 894-5000

- Carver-Scott Humane Society <http://www.carverscotths.org/>
PO Box 215
Chaska, MN
Telephone: (952) 368-3553
- Friends of Animals Humane Society <http://www.foaonline.org>
1418 Hwy 33 S.
Cloquet, MN 55720
Telephone: (218) 879-1655
- Star of the North Humane Society <http://www.starnorth.org/>
PO Box 458
Coleraine, MN 55722
Telephone: (218) 245-3732
- Humane Society of Polk County
720 E. Robert St.
Crookston, MN 56716
Telephone: (218) 281-7225
- Lucky Dog Boarding and Training <http://www.luckydogdl.com/pound.htm>
1478 Mallard St.
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501
Telephone: (218) 847-4100
- Humane Society of the Lakes <http://www.hsofthelakes.org/>
19665 US Hwy 59
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501
Telephone: (218) 847-0511
- Animal Allies <http://www.animalallies.net>
4006 Airport Road
Duluth, MN 55811
Telephone: (218) 722-2110
- Grant County Humane Society <http://gchumsoc.org/>
1015 US Hwy 79 E.
Elbow Lake, MN 56531
Telephone: (218) 685-6220
- Martin County Humane Society <http://www.mchsofmn.org/>
522 E. Margaret St.
Fairmont, MN 56031
Telephone: (507) 238-1885

- Prairie's Edge Humane Society <http://www.prairiesedgehs.org/>
680 Professional Drive
Northfield, MN 55057
Telephone: (507) 664-1035
- Humane Society of Otter Tail County
<http://www.humanesocietyotc.org/index.html>
1933 W. Fir Ave.
Fergus Falls, MN 56537
Telephone: (218) 739-3494
- Humane Society of Renville/Sibley Counties <http://hsrsc.org>
PO Box 185
Gibbon, MN 55335
Telephone: (507) 354-9099
- Pope County Humane Society <http://www.pchsmn.org/>
17584 195th Ave.
Glenwood, MN 56334
Telephone: (320) 634-4761
- Animal Humane Society <http://www.animalhumanesociety.com/>
845 Meadow Lane N.
Golden Valley, MN 55422
Telephone: (763) 522-4325
- Animal Ark <http://www.animalarkshelter.org/>
2600 Industrial Ct.
Hastings, MN 55033
Telephone: (651) 772-8983
- Hibbing Animal Shelter hibbinganimalshelter@yahoo.com
11215 Hwy 37
Hibbing, MN 55746
Telephone: (218) 262-1900
- Heart of Minnesota Animal Shelter <http://www.heartofminnesota.org/>
880 Century Ave. SW
Hutchinson, MN 55350
Telephone: (320) 234-9699
- Borderland Humane Society <http://www.borderlandhumanesociety.org>
PO Box 543
International Falls, MN 56649
Telephone: (218) 283-9276

- Morrison County Humane Society <http://mcpets.org/home.html>
200 7th Ave NE
Little Falls, MN 56345
Telephone: (320) 632-0703
- Blue Earth Nicollet County Humane Society <http://www.benchs.org/>
1250 North River Dr.
Mankato, MN 56001
Telephone: (507) 625-6373
- Almost Home Animal Shelter
2283 Hwy 23
Mora, MN 55051
Telephone: (320) 679-5376
- Stevens Community Humane Society
<http://www.stevenscommunityhumanesociety.org/>
PO Box 407
Morris, MN 56267
Telephone: (320) 589-0378
- Windmill Animal Rescue <http://www.windmillanimalrescue.com>
350 Main Street PO Box 163
New Market, MN 55054
Telephone: (952) 461-2765
- Brown County Humane Society <http://www.brownhumanes.org/index.htm>
1303 South Valley St.
New Ulm, MN 56073
Telephone: (507) 359-2312
- Caring for Cats <http://www.caring-for-cats.org/index.html>
2141 Division St.
North St. Paul, MN 55109
Telephone: (651) 407-8485
- Headwaters Animal Shelter <http://headwatersanimalshelter.org/>
901 Western Ave. S.
Park Rapids, MN 56470
Telephone: (218) 237-7100
- Pine County Guardian Angel Shelter tlcsynergy@yahoo.com
32796 Beroun Crossing Rd
Pine City, MN 55063
Telephone: (320) 629-3508

- Humane Society of Goodhue County
<http://www.orgsites.com/mn/goodhuecountyhumanesociety>
1213 Brick Ave.
Red Wing, MN 55066
Telephone: (651) 388-5286
- Redwood Area Animal Shelter <http://www.friendsoftheanimalshelter.com/>
201 Sherwood Drive
Redwood Falls, MN 56283
(507) 644-3853
- Paws & Claws Humane Society <http://www.pawsandclaws.org/>
324 19th St. NW
Rochester, MN 55901
Telephone: (507) 288-7226
- Central Minnesota Animal Care and Control CMACC@charterinternet.com
1021 Benton Dr.
Sauk Rapids, MN 56379
Telephone: (320)257-0103
- Tri-County Humane Society pets@tricityhumanesociety.org
735 8th St. NE PO Box 701
St. Cloud, MN 56302 Telephone: (320) 252-0896
- Wantonwan County Humane Society
PO Box 346
St. James, MN 56081
Telephone: (507) 956-2613
- Animal Humane Society <http://www.animalhumanesociety.org/>
1115 Beulah Lane
St. Paul, MN 55108
Telephone: (651) 645-7387
- WhipStaff Ranch and Rescue <http://whipstaff-ranch.com/>
6185 Meadowview Rd. NW
Solway, MN 56678
Telephone: (218) 467-3309
- Pennington County Humane Society <http://www.pawstrf.org/>
15598 US Hwy 59 NE PO Box 64
Thief River Falls, MN 56701
Telephone: (218) 681-8045

- Lake County Humane Society careyh@clpower.com
415 20th Ave. Po Box 27
Two Harbors, MN 55616
Telephone: (218) 834-5806
- Mesabi Humane Society <http://www.mesabihumanesociety.org/>
2305 Southern Dr.
Virginia, MN 55972
Telephone: (218) 741-7425
- Wadena County Humane Society <http://www.wadena.com/AnimalShelter.html>
320 NW Ash Ave.
Wadena, MN 56482
Telephone: (218) 632-5938
- Humane Society of Kandiyohi County <http://www.thehskc.com>
250 28th St. SW
Willmar, MN 56201
Telephone: (320) 235-7612
- Winona Area Humane Society <http://www.winonahumanesociety.org/>
1112 E. Broadway
Winona, MN 55987
Telephone: (507) 452-3135
- Animal Humane Society <http://www.animalhumanesociety.org/>
9785 Hudson Rd
Woodbury, MN 55125
Telephone: (651) 730-6008
- Northwoods Humane Society <http://www.northwoodshs.org/>
7153 Lake Blvd
Wyoming, MN 55092
Telephone: (651) 982-0240
- Minnesota Hooved Animal Rescue Foundation
<http://www.mnhoovedanimalrescue.org/index.html>
PO Box 47
Zimmerman, MN 55398
Telephone: (763) 856-3119

Note: These are organizations with free-standing shelters. Organizations that only use foster homes are not included in this list.

Appendix K

Client Education Handout

Disaster Planning for Your Pet

Note: Pets are not allowed inside emergency public shelters due to public health and safety reasons

PLAN AHEAD!!!!

Before a disaster:

- Acquire a pet carrier or crate for each house pet if you plan to travel. These carriers should be large enough for the pet to stand up and turn around. Take time to familiarize your pet with the portable kennel.
- Be sure your pet's vaccinations are up-to-date. This is especially important if you plan to board your pet since most boarding facilities require proof of current vaccinations.
- Be sure your pet wears a properly fitted collar and a current identification at all times. Keep an extra leash on hand with the pet's carrier.
- Survey your home to determine the best location away from windows to place your pet during an emergency.
- Make phone calls to determine your options should it ever become necessary to leave your home. If you plan to use an emergency public shelter, you should make other arrangements for your pet's protection and safety such as:
 1. Survey boarding kennels. Note their locations and find out if there is a plan in place should the kennel need to be evacuated.
 2. Survey local veterinary facilities to determine which clinics offer boarding facilities.
 3. Ask dependable friends or relatives if you and/or your pets could stay with them during an emergency.
 4. Call motels if you plan to leave your house and take your pet with you upon evacuation. Websites such as <http://petswelcome.com> have listings of hotel chains that accept pets.

At the time of the disaster:

- Acquire ample quantities of pet food, cat litter, etc. when purchasing your other disaster supplies.
- Acquire plenty of newspaper, plastic bags and cleanser/disinfectants to handle pet waste.

If you plan to leave your residence and leave your pet(s) behind:

- Prepare an area for your pet to use inside the house away from windows and in an area that is easy to clean.
- Bring your pet indoors well ahead of the emergency or disaster.
- Do not leave your pet tied up outside during inclement weather.

- Leave only dry type foods and use sturdy food containers.
- Do not leave any treat type supplements. Overeating of these may cause toxicity if too much is consumed.
- Birds must eat daily to survive. Use special food dispensers if you must leave them behind.
- Water for pets should be left in bathtubs or in containers that will not spill.
- If the animals are on special diets and medication, plan ahead by consulting with your veterinarian.
- Never leave a cat with a dog even if they are usually friendly.
- Confine and keep small pets (birds, hamsters, etc.) away from cats and dogs.
- Provide access to high places such as counter tops in case flooding occurs.
- Difficult or dangerous animals should be left in special cages on top of the counter to reduce the possibility of them getting loose.

If you plan to leave the area and take your pet with you, the following items should be prepared:

- License or identification and rabies tags/certificate
- Non-spill water and food bowls
- Newspapers and/or paper towels
- Leashes, harnesses, etc.
- Water in sanitized and non-breakable containers, dried or packaged semi-moist foods
- Special diets or medications

After the disaster:

Be careful when allowing your pets outdoors after the disaster has passed. Familiar scents and landmarks may be altered, and your pet could easily become confused or lost. Downed power lines and other hazardous materials could present dangers to your pets.

Appendix L

Media Contacts

Radio:

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

Email: _____

Newspaper:

Contact Name: _____

Contact Phone: _____

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TV:

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Contact Phone: _____

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