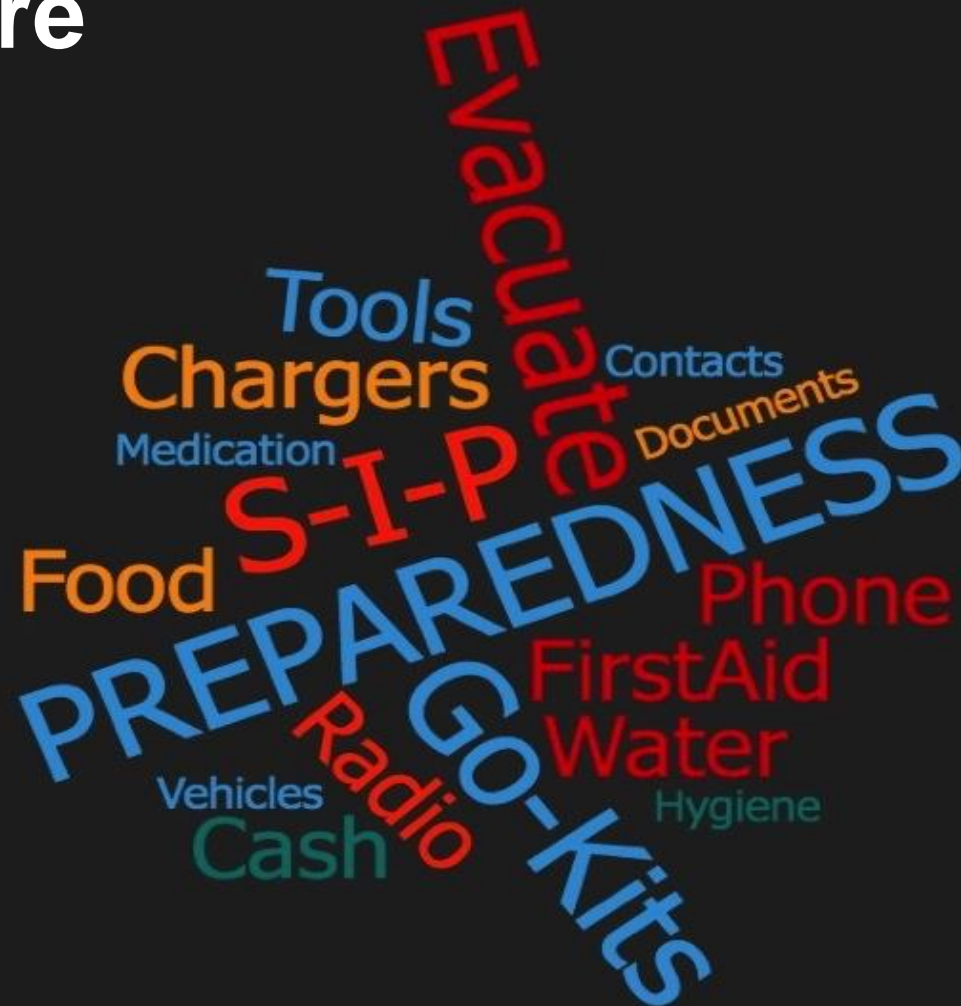


Evacuate or Shelter-in-Place? How to Prepare



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Project

LEADING RESIDENTS TO
SAFETY & PREPAREDNESS

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Emergency

An **INDIVIDUAL** emergency is a single incident involving just one location, and only a few animals, people, and possibly vehicles or structures.



Disaster

A natural or human-made event involving a large area and **MULTIPLE LOCATIONS**, such as a fire, flood, earthquake, or bomb.

ANIMAL EMERGENCIES & DISASTERS

WHO RESPONDS?

EMERGENCY

- FIRST RESPONDER: FIRE, SHERIFF, CHP
- ANIMAL CONTROL, HUMANE SOCIETY
- FISH & WILDLIFE
- VETERINARIAN
- OWNER, FACILITY MANAGER, DRIVER
- UTILITY / HIGHWAY WORKERS (PG&E, CALTRANS)
- HORSE & LIVESTOCK TRANSPORTATION SERVICE



DISASTER

- ANIMAL WELFARE AGENCY
- UCCE ADVISORS, AG COMMISSIONER / STAFF
- DISASTER SERVICE WORKERS
 - COMMUNITY ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM (CART)
 - DISASTER ANIMAL RESPONSE TEAM (DART)
 - VETERINARY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM (VERT)
 - VETERINARY MEDICAL RESERVE CORPS (VMRC)
- LOCAL VETERINARIANS
- MILITARY & USAR
- HAZMAT TEAMS





Are YOU

READY

For WHATEVER?

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What do you need?

What resources are available?

How fireproof is your plan?

What else could possibly happen??

Plan B?

Plan C?

Plan D?

Plan E?



ASSESSING THE RISKS

- Is moving your flock, (or herd), feasible?
- Road-ready coop? Transportation?
- A place to go?
- Safer at home? Or shelter?



IN A DISASTER

EVACUATION: RISKS

- Shelters are stressful
- Exposure to, or spread, of disease
- If you're going to go...
GO BEFORE it's mandatory

Risks...

- Hazardous roads /stalled vehicles
- Vehicle breakdowns / fuel shortages
- Dangerous weather conditions
- Reunification can be difficult



Shelter in Place: Are you ready?

Assess your needs...

- Defensible space from fire, flood, quake, slide
 - feed, power, water, supplies
- Protecting certified organic status
- Advance Directives in place
 - Registered with agencies, Ag Department, Emergency Binder, signage

Equipment and Supplies in MULTIPLE accessible locations



Awareness: Hazards on the Farm

Hidden Hazards

- Electricity and Gas – Down and live wires
 - Water and smoke conductivity
 - Propane and natural gas
- Septic tanks, wells, burnt stumps
- Toxic materials
 - Garden, household products, paints, motor oil, brake fluid, etc.)
- Fuel storage, pressurized tanks (acetylene/oxygen)

Go Bags for EVERYONE in the Family



Hands Free – Easy Access!

Head Lamp

Hat

Back Pack

Protective
Clothing

Eye Protection

Sling Bag

Gloves

Fanny Pack

Work Boots



Hands free to
help kids, elders,
pets ... whatever

What's in YOUR Ready-Kit?



**Sign up for all
LOCAL ALERTS
EMERGENCY NUMBERS**

Animal Services

Animal Shelter

Sheriff or Police

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EVACUATION PREPARATION

- ★ **Prepare on Red Flag Days!**
- ★ **Fuel and stage vehicles**
- ★ **Open electric gates & garage doors**
- ★ **Don't wait for Mandatory Evacuation Orders**

- Move animals during voluntary evacuation
- Prepare defensible safe space for animals sheltering in place
- Post signs listing animals on site & location
- Spray paint address on street and driveway
- Close windows
- Leave doors unlocked, or key hidden
- Leave lots of water
- Turn off and unplug appliances

MANDATORY EVACUATION

- ★ **Know what number/agency to call in your jurisdiction**
- ★ **Call immediately to report locations of animals sheltered in place**

Animal Evacuation Info

- ◇ Know who to call & where to go
- ◇ Line up help BEFORE you need it
- ◇ Practice loading animals
- ◇ Have multiple options

ANIMAL TRANSPORTATION

Name

Phone

Name

Phone

TEMP. ANIMAL EVAC LOCATIONS

Name

Address

Name

Address

LOAD & GO CHECKLIST

Keep with you:

- Vet records and registrations
- Your Ready-kit, tool kit, first aid kit

Keep with animals:

- ID, vet record & meds
- Halters, ropes, fly masks
- Feed, water, buckets
- Slow-feed hay nets
- Pet food, water, bowls, can opener
- Collars, harnesses, leashes
- Carriers, cages
- Poo bags, disposable litter pans, litter
- Calming meds, toys, pillowcases

Ready-Kit Checklists

FOR PEOPLE

DOCUMENTS

- Important contacts, maps
- ID in waterproof pouch
- Photo of parents + kids
- Insurance: policy # + contacts
- Prescriptions
- Cash
- Medical Directives

HEALTH & HYGIENE

- Medications
- First aid kit
- Glasses, contacts, drops, solutions
- Oxygen/dialysis + power back-up
- Cleansing & disinfectant wipes
- Diapers & waste management
- Toothpaste, brushes, mouthwash
- Multi-purpose lotions, soaps, etc.
- Hand cream, sunscreen, lip balm
- Personal hygiene supplies

FOOD & WATER

- Water in bottles or packets
- Healthy, non-perishable snacks for all
- Foods for special needs

SAFETY & COMMUNICATIONS

- Phones, laptops, devices, chargers
- Chargers, cables, batteries
- Emergency radio, GPS/beacon locator
- Flashlight, headlamp, lanterns
- Gloves, boots, hats, goggles
- Whistles
- Car tool kits
- N95 smoke masks

CLOTHING & COMFORT

- Socks, underwear, workout wear
- Jeans, Tees, sweats, fleece
- Sturdy shoes, shower shoes
- Coats, rain gear
- Knit caps, sun hats, bandanas
- Emergency blankets
- Towels, sleep sacks, pillows
- Books, games, misc.

ALL ANIMALS

- Important contacts, vet, insurance
- Registration docs - ID on animals
- Health docs, vitals signs card
- Medical Directives
- Photo with you & animals
- First aid kit
- Medications (ice chest if needed)
- Food, water, supplements
- Saline and eye care

SMALL ANIMALS

- Crates, carriers, cages, pillowcases
- Leashes, harnesses
- Bowls, can opener, water bottles
- Calming meds, thunder shirt
- Grooming supplies, wipes
- Disinfectant wipes
- Poop bags, pee pads
- Litter and disposable pans
- Towels, bedding, chill pad
- Sheets / covers for cages
- Booties, life jacket
- Toys

EQUINES & LIVESTOCK

- Slow-feed hay nets
- Lots of water, electrolytes
- Halters & lead ropes
- Fly mask
- Sheets, blankets
- Farrier & hoof care kit / easy boot
- Feed & muck buckets
- Rake, shovel
- ID kit - livestock crayons & paint
- Mane tags
- Microchip info, photos of brand

ANIMALS SHELTERED-IN-PLACE

- Notify authorities immediately**
- Call neighbors if can't get home
- Signs noting animals, locations
- Note disability/Diet Needs
- Leave hidden key
- Gates & stalls unlocked
- Leave water everywhere possible
- Toilet lids up

INFORMATION RESOURCES

Home & Ranch Preparedness Links

3 Easy Steps to GET READY FOR ... WHATEVER!

1. Scan the QR Codes or take a photo of this slide
2. Access links to downloadable Ready-Kit checklists
3. Build your kit!



The links below and MANY more are available on **HALTER Project's website:** [HALTERproject.org/ready-kits](https://www.halterproject.org/ready-kits)



Livestock & Ranch Preparedness

[halterproject.org/
livestock-and-ranch](https://www.halterproject.org/livestock-and-ranch)



Trailer & Truck Checklist

[usrider.org/travel-safety](https://www.usrider.org/travel-safety)



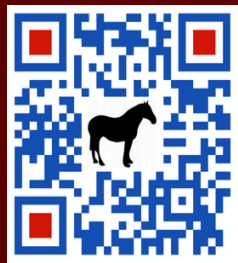
Farm & Ranch Emergency Binder

<https://www.halterproject.org/make-a-plan>



Family Checklist

[PreparednessMama.com](https://www.PreparednessMama.com)



Equine Checklist

[thehorse.com/137996/equine-emergency-evacuation-kit-checklist/](https://www.thehorse.com/137996/equine-emergency-evacuation-kit-checklist/)

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Know Who Your Resources Are

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- Evacuation Transportation
- Neighbors who can help if you're not there
- UCCE Staff

Help Responders Help You

- Provide a good site plan with contacts
- Provide animal information
- Have feed, water & supplies safely stored in accessible, defensible location
- Have good, clear, defensible signage

Download from HALTERproject.org

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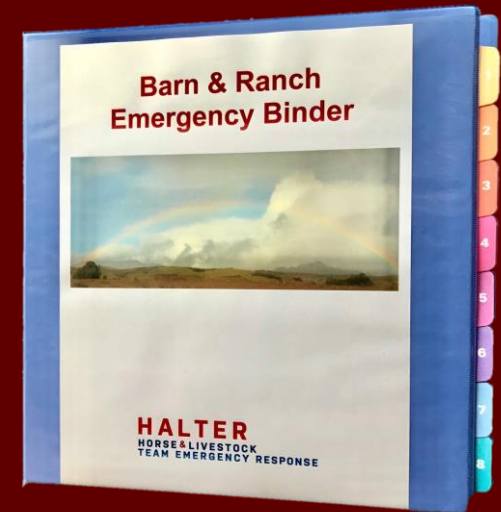
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- Emergency & Disaster Contacts
- Horse & Owner Emergency Contact Info
- Animal Emergency Contacts: Do->Call

•DISASTER PREPAREDNESS

- Evacuation Map Sample
- Disaster Preparedness for Horses
- Equine Emergency & Disaster Preparedness
- Develop Your Individual Disaster Plan
- EquineU – Emergency Planning Workbook
- Barn & Property Safety Checklist

•ANIMAL ID

- Horse and Owner ID
- Horse & Pony Identification
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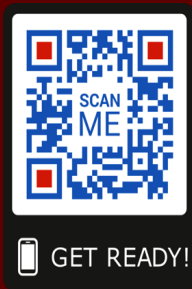
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- Health Record – Date Tracker
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- SAVING THE WHOLE FAMILY





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