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# (Template) Emergency Plan for

| Farm  |
|---|
| Preparing for and Responding to Emergencies |
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| Photo of the Farm                           |
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Plan Last Revised:

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# Part A: Before an Emergency

## 1. List of Hazards

| The events that are most likely to threaten your farm livestock and assets include:  Animal Disease Earthquake Flooding Hazardous Material Spill Forest Fire Prolonged Power Interruption Severe Wind Storm Structure Fire Other |                     |            |              |              |         |
|--|---------------------|------------|--------------|--------------|---------|
| 2. Farm Informati  | on                  |            |              |              |         |
| Key information about th   | ne farm includes th | ne followi | ng:          |              |         |
| Farm name  |                     |            |              |              |         |
|  |                     |            | <del>-</del> |              | _       |
| Land classification on Prop  | perty Assessment N  | otice:     | Farmer I     | ID card numb | er:     |
| Farm physical address  |                     |            |              |              |         |
| Di di  | 0                   |            |              |              |         |
| Directions (nearest crossro  | oad)                |            |              |              |         |
| Owner name(s)  |                     |            |              |              |         |
|  |                     | ,          |              |              |         |
| Owner mailing address (if different than above)  |                     |            |              |              |         |
| Landline phone number  | Mobile phone num    | nber       | Email add    | ress         |         |
| Number of individuals nor  | nally on the farm:  | Family     |              | Staff        | Tenants |
| Other information  |                     |            |              |              |         |

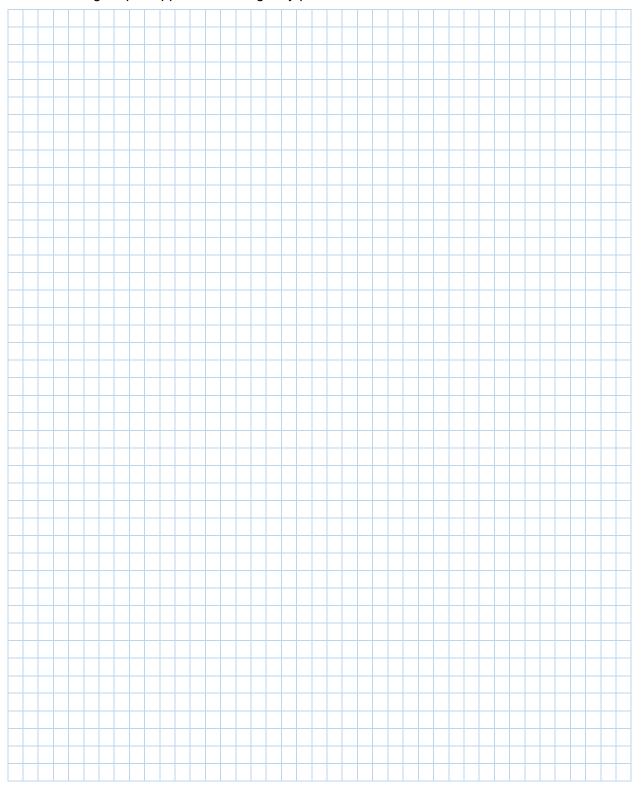
# 3. Emergency Contacts

| Name / Organization                       | Telephone | Email / Website |
|---|-----------|-----------------|
| Farm Personnel                            |           |                 |
| Farm Manager (other than owner)           |           |                 |
| Farm Staff                                |           |                 |
| Tenant on the Farm                        |           |                 |
| Off-Island Contact                        |           |                 |
| Local Resources                           |           |                 |
| Electrician                               |           |                 |
| Feed Supplier                             |           |                 |
| Fuel Dealer                               |           |                 |
| Plumber                                   |           |                 |
| Veterinarian                              |           |                 |
| Relocation Resources                      |           |                 |
| Trucker / Hauler                          |           |                 |
| Agriculture Association                   |           |                 |
| Farm that may receive relocated livestock |           |                 |
| Friend / Neighbour                        |           |                 |
| Friend / Neighbour                        |           |                 |
|   |           |                 |

| Support Resources   Cowichan Valley Regional District   Emergency Management Information   1-800-665-3955   https://www.cvrdep.bc.ca   https://www.gov.bc.ca   https:/ | <u>ī</u> |
|--|----------|
| Derek Masselink Regional Agrologist  M: 250-701-3466 Toll-free: 1-888-221-7141  Faith-Based Organization  M: 250-701-3466 Toll-free: 4-888-221-7141  Derek.masselink@gov.bc.ca/agriservicebo   | <u>C</u> |
|  |          |
| Risk Management  |          |
| Risk Management  |          |
| The Management   |          |
| Insurance Agent  |          |
| Other  |          |
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# 4. Farm Maps

The following maps support the emergency plan for the farm.



## 5. Livestock Inventory

Farm operations currently include the following animal types and numbers, with a range shown for livestock numbers that vary throughout the year.

| Livestock Type        | Number on Farm (range) |
|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Dairy, Lactating      |                        |
| Dairy, Non-lactating  |                        |
| Young Dairy Stock     |                        |
| Bulls                 |                        |
| Cattle, Water Buffalo |                        |
| Horses, Donkeys       |                        |
| Sheep                 |                        |
| Goats                 |                        |
| Swine                 |                        |
| Llamas and Alpacas    |                        |
| Poultry               |                        |
| Pets                  |                        |

Refer to the <u>attached list</u> of animals by name, gender, and registration number.

## 6. Farm Vehicles and Response Equipment

The following vehicles and equipment are available for use during an emergency.

| Vehicle / Equipment Type             | Number on Farm<br>(location) | Number Available Nearby (location) |
|--------------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Tractor or Front-end Loader          |                              |                                    |
| Plow or other Implements             |                              |                                    |
| Livestock Trailer                    |                              |                                    |
| Passenger Car                        |                              |                                    |
| Pickup Truck                         |                              |                                    |
| Fire Hose (m or ft)                  |                              |                                    |
| Irrigation Sprinkler Gun             |                              |                                    |
| Generator                            |                              |                                    |
| Fire Equipment (e.g., extinguishers) |                              |                                    |
| First Aid Kit                        |                              |                                    |

### 7. Risk Reduction

List recommended actions here and check them off as they are completed.

| 7-1 Reduce Combustible Materials                                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| These actions should be taken before a forest fire threatens the farm. |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>1</b> .   | <b>1</b>  |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>2</b> .   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>3</b> .   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-2 Use Fire Resistant Materials                                       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| These actions should be taken to increase fire res                     | istant construction for farm sheds and barns.                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>1</b> .   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <b>2</b> .   |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7-3 Plan for Sprinkler Protection                                      |   |  |  |  |  |  |
| A sprinkler system can help protect the farm. Take                     | the following steps to set up your system:                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Priority farm structures to protect with sprinklers are:               |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ·   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | ·   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2. Sprinkler equipment that is available for pr                        | 2. Sprinkler equipment that is available for prepositioning includes: |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | · .   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3. Gather equipment & set sprinkler system ι                           | up to test coverage and identify problems.                            |  |  |  |  |  |
| Structure  | Sprinkler Coverage  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |   |  |  |  |  |  |

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|   | 4.  | Mount the sprinklers in appropriate locations and connect to a water source.   |  |  |
|---|-----|--|--|--|
|   |     | If the roof is made of combustible material, such as wood, direct the sprinkler spray onto the roof. If the roof is metal, mount the sprinklers on a high point (such as the ridge) to create a high humidity zone around the building. When sprinklers remain on the ground, position them so their reach just wets the sides of the structure. |  |  |
|   | 5.  | Test the system for 2-3 hours, if possible. The sprinklers should create a humid environment around the structure without allowing water to enter buildings.   |  |  |
|   | 6.  | Secure the water source, protect it against radiant heat, and remove nearby combustible materials.   |  |  |
|   | 7.  | Create simple instructions on how to set up and activate the sprinkler system in Section 17. Checklist to Deploy Sprinklers.   |  |  |
|   |     | Prepare a simple map showing how to lay out the sprinkler equipment and water delivery system in an emergency. Attach the map to the Farm Emergency Plan. The instructions and map will allow others to help with farm protection.   |  |  |
| 7-4   | 4 S | Secure Large Items   |  |  |
|   |     | actions should be taken to reduce earthquake damage in farm structures.  |  |  |
|   | 1.  | Secure hot water tanks and water structures to ensure they do not fall over as water is  |  |  |
|   | 0   | a critical resource and wells/community water systems may not work.  |  |  |
| 2. Identify and secure large items to stude that could fall over and injure people or anim in a major earthquake. |     |  |  |  |
|   | Ite | ms to secure:  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   | _   |  |  |  |
| Ч   | 3.  | Ensure that sharp implements and chemicals, fertilizers, etc. are stored properly so that they will not become hazards for workers or animals.   |  |  |
|   | Ite | ms to secure:  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   | _   |  |  |  |
| Ш   | 4.  | Upgrade farm structures to increase likelihood that they will remain standing following major earthquakes.   |  |  |
|   | Pri | ority structures to upgrade:   |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
|   |     |  |  |  |
| -   |     |  |  |  |
| /-!   | n F | Reduce Outdoor Hazards   |  |  |

|            | 1. Identify trees that are not healthy and have them felled before they fall.              |  |  |
|------------|--|--|--|
|            | Ensure that roofs, gutters and overhangs are properly maintained to withstand majo storms. |  |  |
|            |  | nmercial Insurance   |  |
| hοι<br>qui | uld e<br>pme<br>ıram:  | nsure that they have appropriate coverage nt, fences, and crops. In general, federals will only cover perils for which private coverage. | aging risk before an emergency. Produce for their assets, such as livestock, building and provincial disaster financial assistant erage cannot be obtained.  The at least annually to review my coverage and |
| _          |  | discuss risk reduction options.  | at least annually to review my coverage and  |
|            |  | Risk Reduction Options   | Potential Benefits   |
|            |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
|            |  |  |  |
|            | 2.   | I understand my policy and am aware of wl  | nat is included and what is excluded.  |
|            |  | Included   | Excluded   |
|            |  |  |  |
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Some actions may be required before an emergency to ensure backup power supply can keep critical equipment working in a prolonged power outage.

Note: Protect yourself and the community around you by ensuring that any generator backup systems are properly installed to prevent feed-back into the power grid. Electrical systems must be wired to switch from grid power to generator power to avoid electrical shocks.

| 1. | Identify the critical farm operations that depend on electrical power by priority.   |
|----|--|
|    | a  |
|    | b  |
|    | c  |
| 2. | Gather or acquire the power equipment needed to provide backup power, including electrical cords, fuel, lubrication, and filters for generators.   |
| 3. | Set the backup generators in place and connect to the critical equipment that requires power.  |
|    | Confirm that the generator is disconnected from the power grid, to avoid back-feed.  |
| 4. | Start the generator(s) to test the system for at least 1 hour, if possible. Confirm that the power loads are sufficient to operate the priority equipment. Note the fuel use rate and estimate how long system can provide power without service or refueling.           |
| 5. | Create instructions on how to set up the backup power system in Section 18. Checklist for Operating Backup Generator. Prepare a diagram to show how and where the equipment should be laid out and connected in an emergency. Attach the map to the Farm Emergency Plan. |
| 6. | Create instructions on how to maintain generators and consider annual addition of fuel stabilizers as recommended by manufacturers if the generators do not get used on a regular basis.   |

## Part B: During an Emergency

#### 10. Information Sources in an Emergency

1. Learn about the hazardous situation.

Local Radio News Media • JUICE FM – 89.7

CICV Radio Cowichan FM – 97.5

CFAX 1070 AM

CVRD Emergency Alert <a href="https://www.cvrd.bc.ca/2276/Emergency-Alert-Registration">https://www.cvrd.bc.ca/2276/Emergency-Alert-Registration</a>

CVRD Website <a href="https://www.cvrd.bc.ca/emergency">https://www.cvrd.bc.ca/emergency</a>

CVRD Facebook <u>facebook.com/mycvrd</u>

CVRD Twitter @mycvrd

CVRD Emergency Call 250-746-2552 (Only activated in a major emergency)

Centre

BC Hydro 1-888-769-3766

www.bchvdro.com

BC Wildfire Service Website http://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/safety/wildfire-

status/wildfire-situation

**BC** Wildfire Service

Facebook

facebook.com/BCForestFireInfo/

DriveBC www.drivebc.ca

Environment Canada https://weather.gc.ca/warnings/index e.html?prov=bc

2. Learn about the evacuation status. There are three phases of an evacuation:

**Evacuation Alert** – Moving livestock to safety is encouraged during the Evacuation Alert phase when time is available. This is also a good time to move children and the elderly to safety.

**Evacuation Order** – During an Evacuation Order, the local police of jurisdiction may strictly enforce traffic flows that move residents to safety.

**Evacuation Rescind** – An Evacuation Order is rescinded when it is determined to be safe for residents and livestock to return home.

The RCMP is responsible for implementing evacuation notification. They may use a variety of local resources to notify people of an evacuation.

#### 11. Decision Guide for Livestock Protection

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE OPTIONS AT THE TIME OF EMERGENCY.

The farm is prepared for the following response actions. Different animals may require unique response actions, depending on the situation, to achieve the lowest overall risk.

| Option 1: Shelter livestock in barn. (see  | Section 12)  |
|--|--|
| Shelter-in-place is best for   | animals because:   |
| <ul> <li>There is a barn on the farm where<br/>danger (i.e., barn is protected by spi</li> </ul>   | the animals will be safely removed from the inklers).    |
| It would require the least amount of   | time.  |
| Option 2: Move livestock to on-farm out  | door location. (see Section 13)                          |
| Moving animals to an outdoor location is be  | st for animals because:                                  |
| <ul> <li>There is a pasture on the farm whe<br/>danger (i.e., large field with food and</li> </ul> | re the animals will be safely removed from the l water). |
| <ul> <li>We have sufficient time, personne<br/>animals to this area.</li> </ul>                    | l, and equipment to round up and move our                |
| Option 3: Relocate livestock off the farm  | . (see Section 14)                                       |
| Relocating the   | is the best option because:                              |
| <ul> <li>We have located and prearranged a</li> </ul>  | n off-farm relocation site.                              |
| We can gather the animals into a sa  | fe location to be evacuated.                             |
| We have or can arrange for trucks, t   | railers, drivers, and handlers, if necessary.            |
| We can arrange for feed, water, and  | veterinary care at the relocation site.                  |
| Option 4: Open gates and/or cut fences Section 15)   | to free the animals IF SAFE TO DO SO. (see               |
| Freeing the animals  | is only considered if:                                   |
| <ul> <li>Livestock cannot be moved to a safe</li> </ul>  | er area.   |
| There is no danger to people or veh  | cular traffic from freeing the animals.                  |
| <ul> <li>We have the time and personnel<br/>animals to avoid the wildfire.</li> </ul>              | to open gates and/or cut fences to allow the             |
| We will inform emergency responde  | rs of our decision to free the livestock.                |
| Refer to the following checklists for in   | structions on each appropriate action.                   |

# 12. Checklist for Sheltering Livestock in Barn

| The | follo | owing steps should be taken if sheltering livestock in barn is selected.   |
|-----|-------|--|
|     | 1.    | Ensure there is sufficient time, personnel, and equipment to move livestock to a protected barn. Ask family members, neighbours, and others for help.  |
|     | 2.    | Move animals to one or more protected barns or other structures on the farm where the animals will be safe. A <u>protected barn</u> is one where:  Combustible materials have been removed around the structure  Fire resistant materials have been used in its construction  Sprinklers can offer protection from forest fire hazards  Water pumps for the sprinkler system have backup power |
|     | 3.    | Ensure animals have access to food sources, clean water, and ample living space, and that support systems are connected to backup power.   |
| 13. | С     | hecklist for Moving Livestock to On-Farm Outdoor Location  |
| The | follo | owing steps should be taken if moving animals to an outdoor location is selected.  |
|     | 1.    | Ensure there is sufficient time, personnel, and equipment to move livestock to a safe outdoor location on-farm. pasture or other irrigated or heavily-grazed open area.  |
|     | 2.    | Move livestock to one or more open areas on the farm where the animals will be safely away from the hazard. A <u>safe outdoor area</u> is one where:  • The field has been recently irrigated  |
|     |       | Fire breaks have been constructed  |
|     |       | The field has been heavily grazed  |
|     |       | Fencing is in place  |
|     |       |  |

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Consider the actions below for relocating livestock during an emergency. Livestock should not be

#### 14. Checklist for Relocating Livestock

moved during an Evacuation Order to keep roads clear for people and responders. 1. If time is short, the priority animals for livestock relocation off-farm are: 2. Notify the primary site selected for receiving relocated livestock. Email address: 3. Ensure all relocated animals have farm/owner identification, including just-in-time methods, for example paint on hooves, collaring, etc. 4. Consult the Evacuation Notification Team to determine routes that are safe to use. Record primary and alternate routes below. • Primary route: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Alternate route: 5. Identify livestock haulers. Email address: 6. Identify any special challenges with assembling and loading your animals.

#### **Livestock Relocation Plan for Producers**

Use the *Livestock Relocation Plan for Producers* to assist you in providing the critical information to haulers and destination farms.

If a broad geographic assessment of significant risk to livestock has been determined and relocation during the evacuation alert phase is supported by the Province, evacuation notification will indicate that relocation is recommended. Please complete the *British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture Application for Livestock Relocation Assistance Form 514A* **only if relocation assistance is required**. Fax to 250-746-2563.

## **Livestock Relocation Plan for Producers**

Introduction

Use this form to plan for relocating farm animals, share the completed form with haulers and destination farms by photocopy, fax or email.

| cation Plan           | Date  |   |  |  |  |
|-----------------------|---|---|--|--|--|
| Farm                  | Destina   | tion Site   |  |  |  |
|                       | Facility name:  |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Facility Address:                                       | Facility Address:   |  |  |  |
|                       | Facility Owner:   |   |  |  |  |
| osition:              | Destination contact person's                            | name and position:  |  |  |  |
|                       | Telephone no.:  |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Fax no.:  |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Mobile phone no.:                                       | Mobile phone no.:   |  |  |  |
|                       | E-mail address:   |   |  |  |  |
| ·m):                  | Destination location (if other than facility address):  |   |  |  |  |
| Number                | Type of Livestock                                       | Number  |  |  |  |
|                       | Horses  |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Sheep   |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Game  |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Other   |   |  |  |  |
| Transporta            | tion Haulers  |   |  |  |  |
| Contact               |   | Phone   |  |  |  |
|                       |   |   |  |  |  |
|                       |   |   |  |  |  |
|                       |   |   |  |  |  |
| ompany each animal    | group:  | 1   |  |  |  |
| Animal Identification | ation   Owner information                               | n   |  |  |  |
| e)                    | (signature)   |   |  |  |  |
|                       | Transporta Contact ompany each animal Animal Identifica | Farm Destina Facility name: Facility Address: Facility Owner: Destination contact person's Telephone no.: Fax no.: Mobile phone no.: E-mail address: Tm): Destination location (if other Number Type of Livestock Horses Sheep Game Other Transportation Haulers Contact  Ompany each animal group: Animal Identification Owner information |  |  |  |

# British Columbia Ministry of Agriculture Application for Livestock Relocation Assistance Form 514A

| Event: Date   |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------|---|----------------|------------------|---------------|--------|----------------------------|
| EMBC Task No.: Time   |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| ·   |                           |                                |                |   | ific Area:     |                  |               |        |                            |
| Local Authority EOC:  |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Originator Farm   |                           |                                |                |   | tination Farr  | n/Site           |               |        |                            |
| Farm name:  |                           |                                |                | Farr  | n name/Site:   |                  |               |        |                            |
| Contact person's name ar  | nd position:              | :                              |                | Con   | tact person's  | name and         | d position:   |        |                            |
| Contact telephone no.:  |                           |                                |                | Con   | tact telephone | e no.:           |               |        |                            |
| Contact fax no.:  |                           |                                |                | Con   | tact fax no.:  |                  |               |        |                            |
| Contact cell phone no.:   |                           |                                |                | Con   | tact cell phon | e no.:           |               |        |                            |
| Contact e-mail address:   |                           |                                |                | Con   | tact e-mail ad | dress:           |               |        |                            |
| Farm address:   |                           |                                |                | Farr  | n address:     |                  |               |        |                            |
| Livestock location addres   | s: (if differe            | ent from abo                   | ove) l         | Livestock location address: (if different from above)   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Do you have a farm of des<br>risk area?<br>□ Yes □ No   | stination ou              | tside of the                   | , i            | Do you have agreements with the destination farm? (i.e., Animal Health, Vaccination, Breeding, Mortalities, etc.)  □ Yes □ No |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Livestock information:  |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Type of Livestock   | Number                    | Date to<br>Transporte<br>known | ed (if         |   | Type of Liv    | estock           | Number        | Transp | to be<br>orted (if<br>own) |
| Lactating Dairy   |                           |                                | •              |   | Hogs           |                  |               |        | ,                          |
| Non lactating Dairy   |                           |                                |                |   | Poultry        |                  |               |        |                            |
| Beef (cow/calf)   |                           |                                |                |   | -              |                  |               |        |                            |
| Horse   |                           |                                |                | Identification Marks/Tags:  |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Sheep/goats   |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
|   |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Evacuation Planning:  □ Yes □ No I have arranged transportation. The service provider who will submit invoices for payment OR  □ Yes □ No I need assistance to arrange transportation |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| I need a chute to load need portable panels   |                           | s □ No<br>s □ No               |                |   | I need a c     | hute to <u>u</u> | <u>n</u> load | □ Yes  | □ No I                     |
| Description of evacuation route : Map Attached 🗆 Yes 🗆 No   |                           |                                |                |   |                |                  |               |        |                            |
| Description of evacuatio  | n route :                 |                                |                |   |                | Map <i>I</i>     | Attached      | □ Yes  | □ NO                       |
| Public Access /Egress In  |                           | livestock re                   | emoval         | □ <b>Y</b> (  | es 🗆 No        | Map <i>i</i>     | Attached      | □ Yes  | I NO                       |
|   | npacted by<br>eturn plan? | ' □ Yes                        | emoval<br>□ No | □ <b>Y</b> (  | es □ No        | Map /            | Attached      | □ Yes  | II NO                      |

#### **Terms and Declaration**

#### 1. Eligibility:

- The Provincial Support for Agricultural Businesses procedure has been activated by the Province. It defines the level of risk to agricultural businesses and the specific actions required to address the threat.
- Call the Ministry of Agriculture toll free line at 1-888-221-7141 to confirm eligibility if necessary.

#### 2. Conditions:

- a. Eligible expenses will be paid as per the Livestock Rate Card.
- b. Eligibility begins from the time an Evacuation Alert is issued and continues until 4 days after a "rescind order" is declared by the local government for that farm, unless a specific exception is approved by Emergency Management BC (EMBC). Note that an approved Form 514A is required.
- 3. The Province and/or the Local Authority is not liable for any loss, including any loss from injury, sickness, death or reduced production incurred by the source animal owner or the host farm or any personal injury liability.
- 4. Claims may be audited.
- 5. The information collected will be used for administering and evaluating the Livestock Relocation for this event. Confidential or personal information is subject to provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.
- 6. As part of their normal operations, livestock care and transportation may be monitored by the Canadian Food Inspection Agency and/or animal care authorities.

| Application completed by: (livestock own l. agree  | to the terms of the Livestock Relocation.   |
|--|---|
| Signature  |   |
| Submit this form to:  Local authority Emergency Operations Cer  OR if activated to the Ministry of Agriculture  The Ministry of Agriculture toll free line is 1- | e EOC fax: 604-556-3030.                    |
| (Admin only)  Eligible for Agri- Business Assistance   | Total Estimated Transportation Costs        |
| Application approved by AGRI:  | EOC/PREOC Approval:                         |
| Name and Signature  Position  Time and Date  | Name and Signature  Position  Time and Date |
| Distribute completed form to:  • EOC Director  • Logistics   | Section PDF-00 Grandlers Coultry            |

## 15. Checklist for Opening Gates, Cutting Fences to Free Animals

| If an  | ima  | als are to be freed, consider the steps outlined below.   |
|--------|------|---|
|        | 1.   | Carefully consider the risk to motorists on nearby roadways and other persons who may be harmed by freeing animals. It is possible to open fences in a way that directs animals away from roadways and populated areas. |
|        |      | Protecting livestock is important, but public safety takes precedence. No animal is worth a human life.   |
|        | 2.   | Ensure all relocated animals have farm/owner identification, including just-in-time methods, for example paint on hooves, collaring, etc.   |
|        | 3.   | Open the gates indicated on the Farm Map, especially noting: a  |
|        |      | b   |
|        | 4.   | Cut or open fences at the following locations to allow animals to avoid fire:  a  |
|        |      | b   |
|        | 5.   | Notify the Evacuation Notification Team (usually led by RCMP) of the decision to free the farm livestock when evacuating.   |
| 16.    | С    | hecklist to Create a Fire Break   |
| If tin | ne a | illows creation of a fire break to protect farm structures, follow the instructions below.  |
|        | 1.   | The priorities for plowed or wetted fire breaks to protect farm structures are:  a.  b.   |
|        |      | D   |
|        | 2.   | Consult the map showing which areas should be plowed or wetted down to create fire breaks.  |

# 17. Checklist to Deploy Sprinklers

| If sp | rink     | tlers are to be used to protect farm structures, follow the instructions below.  |
|-------|----------|--|
|       | 1.       | The priorities for deploying sprinklers to protect farm structures are:  a.  b.  |
|       |          | C  |
|       | 2.       | Consult the map showing how to lay out the sprinkler equipment and water delivery system.  |
|       | 3.       | Secure the water source, protect it against radiant heat, and remove nearby combustible materials.   |
|       | 4.       | Activate pre-positioned irrigation systems and sprinklers on the farm to help protect structures.  |
|       | No       | te: The Office of the Fire Commissioner recommends a wetting time of two hours prior to fire reaching the property for the full saturation and effectiveness. Turn on sprinklers only as necessary to conserve water for fire suppression. |
|       |          |  |
|       |          | hecklist for Operating Backup Generator lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  |
|       |          | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:   |
|       | en e     | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:  a  |
|       | en e     | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:   |
|       | en e     | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:  a.  b.   |
|       | en e     | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:  a.  b.  c.   |
|       | 1.<br>2. | The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:  a.  b.  c.  d.  Consult the instructions and map showing how to set out the generator and   |
|       | 1.<br>2. | lectrical equipment needs backup support, follow the steps below.  The priorities for providing equipment with backup generator are:  a  |

#### 19. Checklist for Personal Evacuation

| <b>]</b> 1 |                            | In addition to a Grab 'n Go Kit (a collection of essential personal items – see below), take the following items when evacuating:   |  |  |  |  |  |
|------------|----------------------------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|            | a.                         | Identification that includes a photo and address, such as a driver's licence. This will help farmers obtain a permit if they are allowed to temporarily return to the farm to care for livestock. |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | b.                         | A copy of the Farm Emergency Plan, including the livestock inventory.   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | C.                         | ·   |  |  |  |  |  |
| <u> </u>   | 2. Evacuate all personnel. |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | •                          | If an Evacuation Order is issued, ensure all personnel move to safety.  |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | •                          | Family and farm staff can check with others by texting or emailing:   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            |                            | Cell Email:   |  |  |  |  |  |
|            | 3.                         | I have assembled a Grab 'n Go Kit and know its location. (see below)  |  |  |  |  |  |

#### Suggested Personal Grab 'n Go Kit

(Personalize for your needs & keep with you at all times).

- Bottled water
- Nutritious foods (dried fruits, granola bars, nuts or beef jerky)
- Personal medications
- Personal toiletries
- Dust masks and gloves
- Family photos (recent)

- Emergency blanket and garbage bags
- Extra pair of eye glasses
- Extra money, coins, phone cards
- Book and/or game

Flashlight/radio

Whistle

Personal papers (copies of insurance, emergency contacts, prescriptions & identification)

#### **Suggested Car Kit**

(Keep up car maintenance and fuel so you don't run out.)

- Bottled water
- Nutritious foods (dried fruits, granola bars, nuts Fire extinguisher or beef jerky)
- Comfortable, sturdy walking shoes
- Warm blanket
- Heavy-duty work gloves (leather)
- Dust masks and gloves
- Change of clothing
- Road map & compass
- Shovel & sand, kitty litter or other traction aids
- Duct tape and garbage bags

- First aid kit & manual
- Flashlight (extra batteries)
- Flares, candles w/matches & jar
- Ziploc bags, toilet tissue
- Hardhat
- Large, sturdy backpack
- Deck of cards, good book
- Ice scraper and brush
- **Booster Cables**

# Part C: After an Emergency

## 20. Checklist for Damage Assessment

|    | ne evacuation order has been lifted and if damage is observed on the farm, consider eps to limit further damage.  |
|----|---|
| 1. | Check livestock that sheltered-in-place at the earliest possible opportunity, and provide for their needs with water, feed, and safety.   |
| 2. | Inspect farm for hazards and damage. Take care to avoid hazards, such as smoldering tree roots underground, hazardous materials spills, or unstable ground after an earthquake. |
| 3. | Contact insurance agent (refer to Section 21. Insurance Information).   |
| 4. | Document any loss of livestock, farm buildings, fences, or equipment in writing, using the inventory to verify losses. Document salvaged items.                                 |
| 5. | Take photographs and video of any damage following a disaster to document the loss (ideally before and after taking any recovery action.  |
| 6. | Secure the site.  |

#### 21. Insurance Information

Record the essential information on commercial farm insurance in the spaces below.

| Policy Number                   |   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| Date of Purchase / Last Renewal |   |
| Insurance Provider              |   |
| Agent Name, Organization        |   |
| Telephone Number, 24/7 Claims   |   |
| Key Coverages and Exclusions    | • |

# 22. Checklist for Recovery

| me | IOIIO | wing steps should be taken  | to continue the disaster recovery process.   |  |  |  |  |
|----|-------|---|--|--|--|--|--|
|    | 1.    |   | Work with neighbours to locate and identify loose animals in the area, and to return livestock that escaped or were freed. |  |  |  |  |
|    | 2.    | Prioritize recovery efforts to maximize your ability to operate.  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       | a)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       | c)  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | 3.    | Seek assistance from ag Contact List).  | riculture associations active in the Cowichan region (refer to   |  |  |  |  |
|    | 4.    | Work with neighbours to g   | get the farm and community operational as soon as possible.  |  |  |  |  |
|    | 5.    | Neighbours that have agree  | eed to assist if able to do so:  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Ne    | ighbour   | Type of Assistance Provided  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | 6.    | Neighbours I have agreed to assist if able to do so:  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Ne    | ighbour   | Type of Assistance I Can Provide   |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | 7.    | <ol> <li>Attend community recovery information sessions to find out about provincial measures<br/>that may assist the farm with disaster recovery.</li> </ol> |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | Ag    | ency  | Type of Assistance They Can Provide  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |
|    | 8.    | Management BC. Web  |  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       | assistance  | ecovery/emergency-response-and-recovery/disaster-financial-  |  |  |  |  |
|    |       |   |  |  |  |  |  |