

Soil & Water Conservation Society Michigan Chapter

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Michigan Food & Agriculture

2nd largest industry in the State

- \$91.4 Billion annually to economy
- 73,000+ Farmers
- Food & Ag Sector
 - ■22% of all jobs



Impacts of food contamination

1985 - Salmonella typhimurium:
 contaminated pasteurized milk affected
 170,000 people

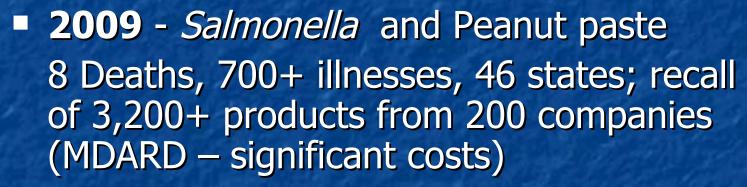


- **1994** Salmonella enteritidis outbreak sickened an estimated 224,000 people (ice cream)
- 2003 Hepatitis A resulted in 660 confirmed cases, 4 deaths; restaurant chain dissolved (green onions)



Impacts of food contamination

2007 – Melamine and pet foods
 More than 60 million cans of pet food recalled



2010 – Salmonella and Eggs
 Over 1,900 illness cases – recall of 550 million eggs





Impacts on food and water contamination

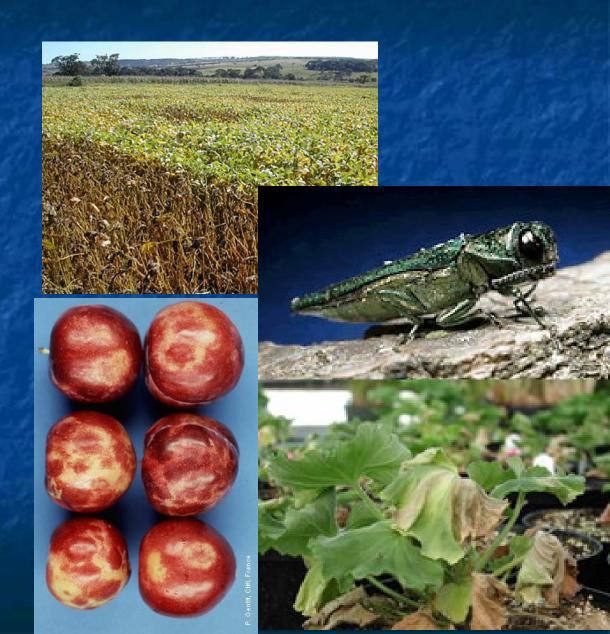
Illnesses at Fairs: Wisconsin, Ohio, Ontario, etc E. Coli O157:H7





Plant Diseases & Pests

- Plant diseases& insects
- Easy to disperse
- Intentional or unintentional
- Training,scouting, &reporting



Animals & Emergencies

- Animal Diseases:
 - Impact Human Health
 - ZoonoticDiseases
 - Food Supply
 - Impact Economy
 - ImpactEnvironment



Animal Disease & Human Health

- Anthrax
- Botulism
- Plague
- Smallpox
- Tularemia

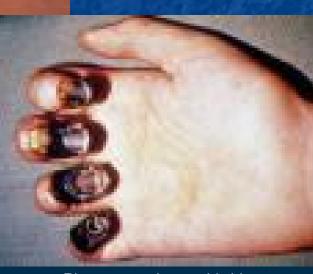
Viral Hemorrhagic fevers



Anthrax Webs.wichita.edu



Tularemia www.cabg.gov



Plague www.imcworldwide.org

Animal Disease & Human Health – Emerging Diseases

- Increased global travel and trade
- Ongoing disease outbreaks in animals
- Zoonotic disease potential







Impacts of Animal Disease





1973-74 Michigan PBB

- Accidental contamination of livestock feed with PBB fire retardant
- Cost \$708 million (in 2001 study) to slaughter 30,000 cattle, 4,500 hogs, and 1.5 million chickens
- Consumer and farm family health costs unknown; ongoing environmental issue
- Cost of lost citizen confidence in government?



Agro-Terrorism Threat?

Attack likely? – Maybe...

but not in my jurisdiction or on my farm!





Intentional Contamination



1985 Intentional Salad Bar Contamination with Salmonella— Oregon

10 facilities: 750 people sickened with 45 hospitalized



2002-3 Intentional Contamination of Hamburger with Nicotine—Michigan



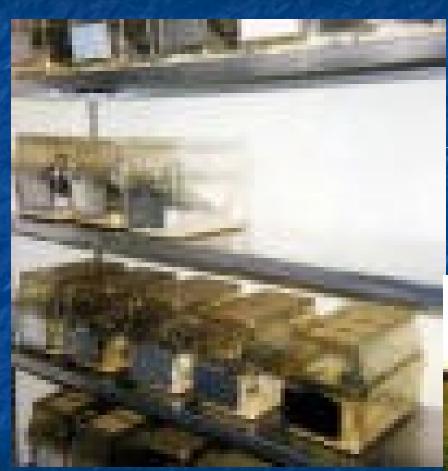
Disgruntled worker contaminated product with potentially lethal doses of nicotine-containing pesticide

124 people sickened

Intentional Contamination

- Ongoing Adulteration / Substitution of Wheat Gluten & Milk – China
- 2006 Smuggled Poultry Products Michigan
- 2009 Pesticide Contamination of Salsa in Restaurant - Kansas - 48 people sick
- 2010 7 Million Vegetable Seedlings –
 Australia
- 2011 Pizzeria Owner Pennsylvania Mice

Intentional Acts



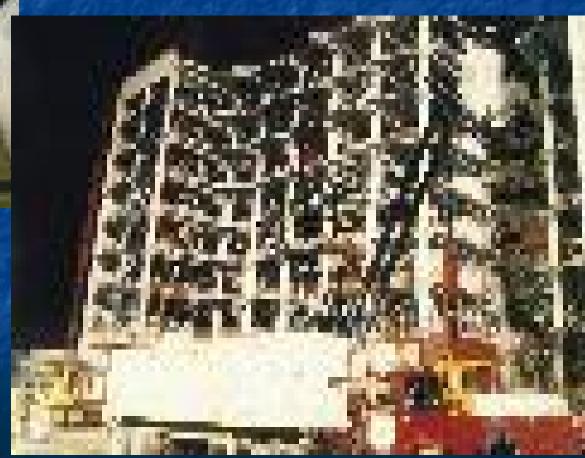
Louisiana State 4/05

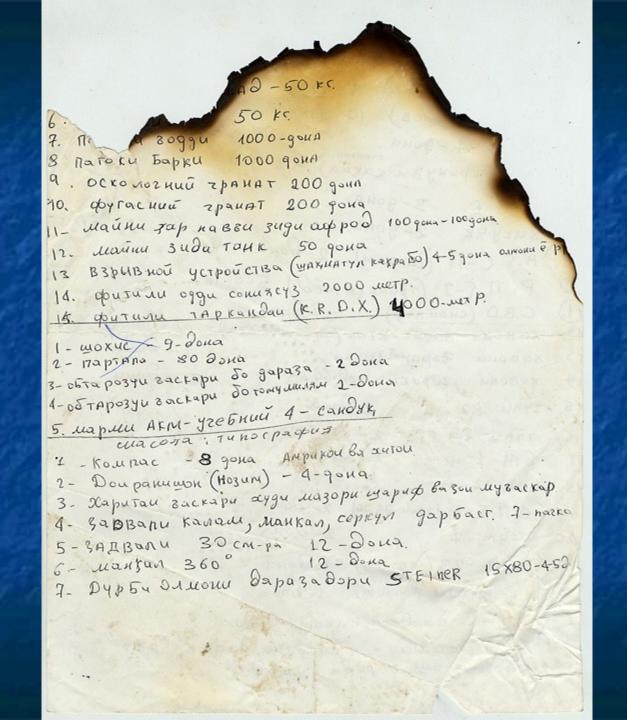




Intentional Acts







Emergency Preparedness: A Community Priority

Natural Disasters
 (severe storms, snow,
 ice, flooding, tornadoes, wind)







August 2003 Blackout in Southeastern Michigan



 21,000 food establishments without power for at least 24 hours

Food losses estimated at \$105,328,541







Challenges – Food & Ag Sector

- Systems v. Sites
- Open System
- Diversity of the Sector
 - Size, Ingredients, & Imports
- Government
 - Laws & Regulations that don't keep up
 - Laws & Regulations with unintended consequences

Limitations of Traditional Security Approaches



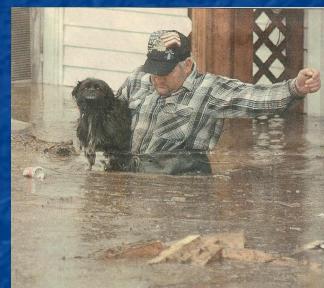
Animals & Emergencies

- Livestock Importance to the Economy & Public Health
- Pets A New Area
- Plans, Programs & Efforts



Animals & Emergencies: A New Area - & New Era

- Animal Components in Emergencies
 - Evacuation with pets / Refusal to leave without pets
 - Re-entry to retrieve/rescue
 - Abandoned animal issues pets & livestock





Partnership & Networks

- Local & State Police
- Local Health Depts.
- Local Fire / Emergency Response
- Conservation Districts
- Private Sector / Industry
- Private Veterinarians
- MSU Extension & AgBio Research
- Federal Agency Partners locally





MDARD & Partner Efforts

- Commodity Executives / Industry meetings
- MI Veterinary Corps
- State Animal Response Team
- Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program
- Food & Agriculture Defense Working Group



MDARD & Partner Efforts

- Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture
- Nat'l Animal Health Emergency Mgmt System
- National Plant Board
- Great Lakes Border Health Initiative
- Association of Food & Drug Officials
 - and many more!



Multi-State Partnership for Security in Agriculture









All-Hazards Preparedness for Rural Communities

Plans, Programs & Efforts

- Federal
- State
- Local



State Plans

- Food/Feed Emergency Management Plans
- Animal Health Emergency Management
 Disease Response Plan
- Mass Carcass Disposal Plan
- Avian Emergency Disease Manual
- Plant Pest Plan
- Arbovirus Plan
- National Veterinary Stockpile Plan
- Energy Emergency Response Plan

MI Emergency Management Plan: Animal Issues Support Plan

- Animals & Diseases State Roles
 - Quarantine & Stop Movement Orders
 - Bio-Security
 - Veterinary Response
 - Euthanasia & Disposal
- Animals & Diseases Local Roles
 - Assisting with Enforcement
 - Logistics / Resources for Response

MEMP: Animal Issues Support Plan

- Animals & Emergencies Local Roles
 - Sheltering for People
 - Co-Located Animal Sheltering
 - Response
 - Accidents
 - Natural Disasters
 - Loose Animals
 - Hoarding

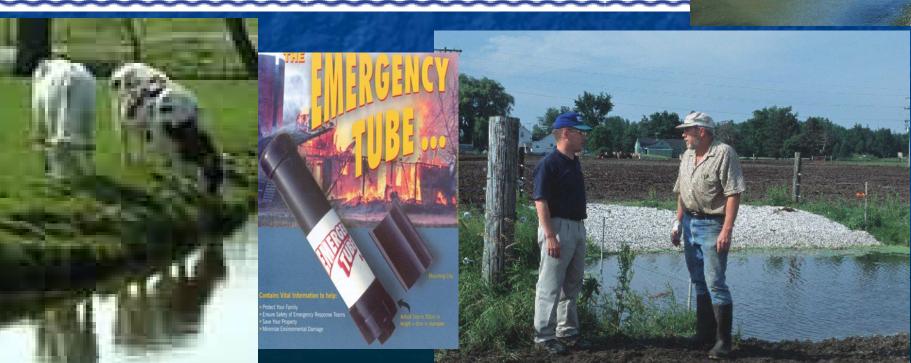


MDARD Prevention & Mitigation





Conservation Reserve Enhancement Program



Preparedness – pets and livestock



Rescue after a mud storm www.ext.colostate.edu

MDARD Response & Preparedness

- MichiganEmergencyVeterinary Network
 - 3500+ Veterinarians and Licensed Veterinary Technicians
 - Critical DiseaseIssue Information& TrainingMaterials





MDARD Response & Preparedness: Michigan Veterinary Corps

- Veterinarian & veterinarian technician volunteers
- Familiarity with foreign animal diseases
- Biosecurity
- Communication
- Incident Command System



Poultry Sampling

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Michigan Foot & Mouth Disease Exercise - 2008





State Animal Response Team MI-SART

- Sheltering Exercises
- Training Courses
- Purchase of Trailers / Cages
- State Asset 1st Deployment
 - 2010 Oil Spill Response
 - www.michigansart.org



Michigan's Rapid Response Team

- Multi-Year Food & Drug Administration grant
- Hired specialists technical expertise and surge capacity
 - Environmental Sampling
 - Animal Feed
 - Laboratory capabilities
 - Work on risk assessments
- Coordination with Food & Drug Administration
 - 2010 & 2012 Feed/Food Contamination Tabletop Exercise

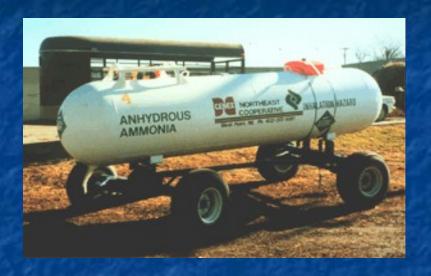




Agri-Chemicals

- Fertilizer Security & Regulation
 - Containment
 - Locks
 - Liability

Pesticide Training& Regulation





Future & Next Steps - Industry

- Traceability & Audits farm to fork
 - Food Safety Modernization Act
 - SARA Title 3 and Chemical Security
 - Michigan Agriculture Environmental Assurance Program
- Improving connections with local,
 volunteer & private sector partners



Future & Next Steps

- 2012 Freezes Impact to Fruit Industry
- Planning & Training, including Incident Command System
- SART preparedness & training CARTs?
- Exercises Private Sector, Local, Regional, & State with focus on infrastructure interdependencies



Challenges



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