

AVMA Situation Report 4 – Tropical Storm Frances

Date: 9/7/04: Second Report

Location: Florida

VMAT Update:

17 members from VMAT#3 and 5 members from VMAT#2 continue to be staged in Southern Pines, North Carolina with trucks packed awaiting orders to deploy to Florida.

Hurricane Ivan continues to be monitored.

For information on how you can help support VMAT and animal disaster preparedness, please visit www.avmf.org.

For more information on VMAT and to learn how you and your clients can prepare for disasters visit www.avma.org/disaster.

Organizational Updates:

Florida State Emergency Operations Center

Greg Christy D.V.M.

ESF17 Coordinator

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Current Operations:

1. Area commander Greg Christy, D.V.M., ESF17 Coordinator
2. Establishing Incident Command Post (ICP) at University of Florida, IFAS (Extension Service) Training Center at Heritage Park Complex, Kissimmee, FL.
3. Incident Commander Mr. David Perry
4. ICP Command Staff, Assessment and Response Teams on site at ICP today
5. ESF17 County Staging Areas to be established within next 48 hrs. Will be located at University of Florida IFAS (Extension Services) county offices
6. ESF15 (Law Enforcement) reports all major roads are open
7. Contacted ESF17 Coordinators in major impact area – LOW DAMAGE REPORTS
8. Dairies report milking on generator power. Dumping milk
9. Poultry operation reports no death loss but operating on generator power. Four feed mill facilities in need of generators
10. No generators available for animal needs, all reserved or in use for human needs.
11. John Havens, University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine (CVM) reports from his "Equine Team" composed of equine practitioners, county ESF17 coordinators and CVM personnel report no serious equine problems in Marion (Ocala) or Alachua County. Also low caseload at the hospital at CVM
12. Animal carcass disposal plan in progress with Florida Department of Environmental Protection, Division of Forestry and Florida Department of Transportation. Have identified Class 1 landfills permitted to receive biological waste. Okeechobee Landfill identified as primary landfill for animal carcass disposal

13. Florida Veterinary Medical Association (FVMA) is coordinating volunteer veterinarians and AHTs. Lists will be provided to ICP, agency liaisons and county ESF17 coordinators
14. ESF17 has established donation and volunteer "hot lines" for:
DONATIONS and HUMAN RELATED DONATIONS, 1-800-FLHELP1
(1-800-354-3571)
LARGE VOLUME FEED OR ANIMAL PRODUCT DONATIONS, Division of Animal Industry, 1-877-815-0034, 1-850-410-0900
INDIVIDUAL SMALL DONATIONS OF FEED OR ANIMAL PRODUCTS VOLUNTEER HELP FOR ANIMAL CARE, Please coordinate your donation with the Humane Society of the US, 1-888-259-5431
VETERINARIANS, AHTs AND VET MEDICAL SUPPLIES, Florida Veterinary Medical Association, 1-800-992-3862
15. Code 3 Mobile Veterinary Hospital en route from Colorado to arrive on site in Kissimmee early Tuesday to be staffed with veterinarian team for the University of Florida, College of Veterinary Medicine
15. VMAT staged in North Carolina ready to deploy. Estimate nine-hour travel time to Kissimmee area. Initial assessment will determine initiation of formal request and location for deployment.
16. Florida State Agricultural Response Team (SART) participants include:
 - University of Florida IFAS (Extension Service)
 - University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine
 - Southeast Region Humane Society of the United States
 - USDA/Veterinary Services
 - USDA/ Farm Service Agency
 - Florida Animal Control Association
 - Florida Cattlemen's Association
 - Florida Veterinary Medical Association

Unmet Needs:

Generator availability

Future Operations:

1. Rapid deployment of Command Staff for ICP
2. Deploy assessment and response teams and SART agency liaisons to ICP
3. Establish county ESF17 staging areas for animal triage, feed and supply distribution
4. Assess damage in Florida Panhandle area after Tropical Storm Frances passes

Code-3 Associates, Inc.

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Date filed: 9/7/04

The Code 3 truck "Bart", and a team of 4 volunteers are en route to Kissimmee at the request of the Florida EOC and should arrive early this afternoon.

For more information about Code-3 Associates, Inc. visit
<http://www.code3associates.org>.

BULLETIN

TROPICAL STORM FRANCES
NWS TPC/NATIONAL HURRICANE CENTER MIAMI FL
11 AM EDT TUE SEP 07 2004
FORECASTER ZIEGENFELDER/HALBACH

...TROPICAL DEPRESSION FRANCES MOVING VERY SLOWLY THROUGH EASTERN ALABAMA AND WESTERN GEORGIA...FLOODING REMAINS A THREAT FOR MUCH OF THE SOUTHEAST...SOUTHERN AND CENTRAL APPALACHIANS...AND MID ATLANTIC.

FLASH FLOOD WATCHES ARE IN EFFECT FOR A LARGE PORTIONS OF SOUTHEAST AND MID ATLANTIC STATES FROM FLORIDA...NORTHWARD INTO GEORGIA...ALABAMA...TENNESSEE...NORTH CAROLINA...SOUTH CAROLINA...WEST VIRGINIA...KENTUCKY...MARYLAND... AND VIRGINIA THROUGH TUESDAY AFTERNOON. A WIND ADVISORY IS IN EFFECT FOR WESTERN AND CENTRAL GEORGIA. THE STORM PREDICTION CENTER HAS ISSUED A TORNADO WATCH ENCOMPASSING CENTRAL SOUTH CAROLINA...AND NORTHEASTERN GEORGIA.

AT 11 AM EDT...15Z...THE CENTER OF TROPICAL DEPRESSION FRANCES WAS LOCATED NEAR LATITUDE 32.4 NORTH LONGITUDE 85.3 WEST OR 50 MILES TO THE EAST OF MONTGOMERY ALABAMA. MAXIMUM SUSTAINED WINDS ARE NEAR 20 MPH WITH SOME HIGHER GUSTS. MINIMUM CENTRAL PRESSURE IS 996 MB OR 29.41 INCHES. FRANCES HAS BEEN NEARLY STATIONARY OVER THE LAST SIX HOURS. HOWEVER...FRANCES IS FORECAST TO MOVE IN A NORTHWARD DIRECTION THIS AFTERNOON AND INTO TONIGHT ALONG THE ALABAMA / GEORGIA BORDER AND THEN INTO THE SOUTHERN APPALACHIANS ON WEDNESDAY. THE STORM IS THEN EXPECTED TO ACCELERATE NORTHWARD THROUGH THE CENTRAL APPALACHIANS WEDNESDAY NIGHT AND BE OVER THE NORTHERN MID ATLANTIC THURSDAY MORNING.

ADDITIONAL RAINFALL AMOUNTS OF 4-6 INCHES WITH ISOLATED HEAVIER AMOUNTS CAN BE EXPECTED TODAY ACROSS THE SOUTHEAST IN THE WAKE OF TROPICAL DEPRESSION FRANCES.

<http://www.palmbeachpost.com/storm/content/weather/special/storm/2004/atlantic/frances/news.html>

[National Guard Called to Duty After Storm](#)

JENSEN BEACH, Fla. — Patrick Kelly spent much of the summer preparing curriculum for the geography classes he teaches in Polk County.