



# FARM EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS

## How to be Prepared for Emergencies



Protecting your farm involves a number of considerations:

family members,  
co-workers or employees,  
livestock,  
crops,  
buildings and  
equipment.

Planning ahead for all-hazard situations can help to minimize the impact and speed the recovery process for you and your farm.

**Gather information.**

What disasters or hazards are most likely in your community?

For your farm?

How would you be warned?

How should you prepare for each?

For more information on  
**Being Prepared**

Contact:

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call 519-524-8394 ext. 3306

## Before the Emergency

- Draw a farm site map and indicate: buildings and structures, access routes (roads, lanes), barriers (fences, gates), locations of livestock, hazardous substances, electrical shutoff locations, etc.
- Make a list of your farm inventory, including livestock (species, number of animals), crops (acres, type), machinery and equipment (make, model #), hazardous substances (e.g., pesticides, fertilizers, compressed gas cylinders, fuels, medicines, other chemicals).
- Keep a list of emergency phone numbers, such as your veterinarian, insurance agent, etc.
- Make a list of suppliers or businesses providing services to your farm: livestock or milk transport, feed delivery, fuel delivery, etc.
- Contact your insurance agent. Review your insurance coverage. Get additional coverage for “all-hazard” situations (e.g. flood, hail damage).
- Identify areas to relocate your assets (e.g., higher elevation), if needed. Plan for livestock, tractors and equipment, feed, grain, hay, agrochemicals (e.g., pesticides, herbicides).
- Prepare farm employees. Inform them of the farm’s emergency plan; review it with them regularly. Identify shelter-in-place or evacuation locations.
- Establish a phone tree with contact information for all employees.

**KNOW the Risks**  
**Make a PLAN**  
**Be PREPARED**



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## Callout Box

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