

Animals Subcommittee Meeting #2

Monday, October 17, 2016
10:00 am to 12:00 pm

Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District
4747 E. 49th Street
Cuyahoga Heights, Ohio 44125

Notes

1. Attendance:

Chief Johnny Brewington	Woodmere Village Fire Department
Jeremy Bayer	American Red Cross
Mark Cline	American Red Cross
Deborah Conway	County Animal Shelter
Matt DeSouza	City of Broadview Heights
Adam Griffith	County Office of Emergency Management
Bob Horwatt	Cleveland Office of Emergency Management
Mike Jarvis	City of Rocky River
Patricia Kiefer	VA Medical Center
Sharon Nicasro	COAD
Sheila Roman	Garfield Heights CERT
Karen Seidman	Cleveland Heights CERT
Stacey Short	County Board of Health
Serena Steele	County Office of Emergency Management

2. Introductions

Participants introduced themselves.

3. Review of Plan Foundation

There were no proposed changes to the plan foundation.

4. Review of Draft Concept of Operations

- See Draft 2 of the Concept of Operations for changes.
- Sharon Nicasro will send a handout that describes Incident Types.



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- Shelter operation policies and procedures (how animals will be caged, if owners will be permitted in the shelter to care for their pets, and if animal rescue groups can shelter animals). To be discussed further.
- Animals in transit (e.g., airports, buses, trains). To be discussed further.
- Decontamination. Who will decontaminate? Fire departments and regional hazmat teams are not trained and equipped. Should hazmat teams assume the responsibility and take animal handling training? Should animal handlers take hazmat training? Should animal handlers handle the animals while hazmat teams decontaminate? What level of hazmat training is necessary? To be discussed further.
- Members signed up for Knowledge Center training and access.
- Members should register with ReadyNotify at <https://ready.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/ReadyNotify.aspx>.
- Social media classes will be held on November 3 and 4. The November 3 class is a prerequisite for the November 4 class. There are no fees for these classes. Register at <http://ja.cuyahogacounty.us/en-US/calendar.aspx>. You will need to create an account if you have not registered on the County training site previously.
- Download the American Red Cross Pet First Aid App (any many others) at <http://www.redcross.org/get-help/prepare-for-emergencies/mobile-apps>.
- Download the FEMA app at <https://www.fema.gov/mobile-app>.

5. **Review of Logistics and Resource Management**

Time did not permit formal discussion of resources.

6. **Next Steps**

- Continue review of the Concept of Operations.
- Discuss the resources that will be required to implement the plan.
- Identify gaps.

7. **Next Meeting**

- Tuesday, November 1, 2016
- 10:00a-12:00p
- Independence Public Library
6361 Selig Blvd.
Independence, Ohio 44131