DEVELOPING AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR YOUR FARM OPERATION





WHY SHOULD WE CREATE AN EMERGENCY PLAN FOR OUR FARM?



Because, someday, something's gonna happen...

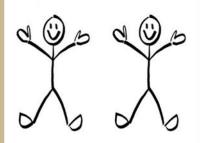


1 in 9 farm families are affected each year by an agricultural-related injury or fatality

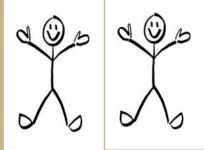
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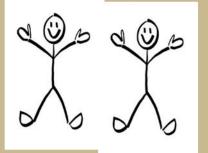












Planning for the "bad days" can mitigate the impact of accidents or disasters





Having a sound emergency plan can reduce potential suffering (human and animal), save money in damages, and possibly insurance costs





Developing a farm emergency plan puts everybody (family, staff, first responders) "on the same page" when faced with an emergency





Indiana PREPared's Farm Emergency Plan Template

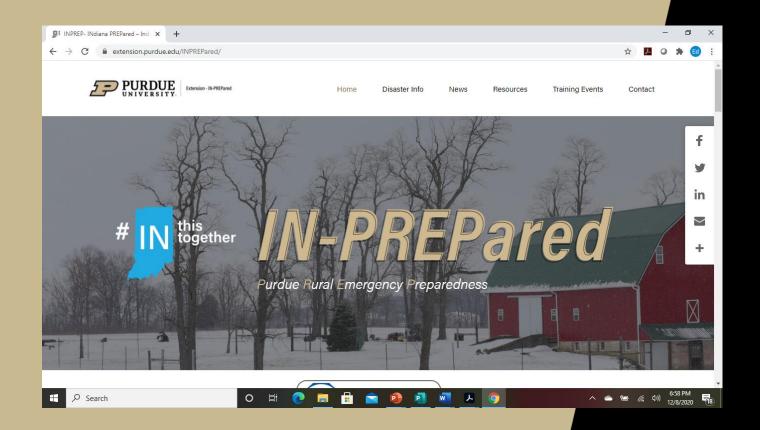
- Originally developed as special project for Purdue Extension – Parke County in 2018
- Designed to help farm families develop a customized emergency plan for their operation
- Basic "starter" plan some operations may need more in-depth plans

Farm Emergen	Emergency Phone Fire Police/Sheriff Ambulance	911	For more information or assistance completing this plan, contact Indiana PREPared at inprepared@purdue.edu, or your county Purdue Extension office
Farm Name/Owner		Primary Farm	n Contact Person & Phone
Farm Address		1st Alternate	Farm Contact Person & Phone
		2nd Alternate	e Farm Contact Person & Phone
Primary Farm Phone			
County/Township		Out-of-town	Emergency Contact
Country (Gwissing			
Farmstead Utility Pole ID #'s		Farm GPS Coo	ordinates
Directions to farm (start at major intersection and write directions to farm):			

Additional farmsteads / locations shown on page 2

Where can I get help with our Emergency Plan?

- Indiana PREPared
 - www.inprepared.org
 - inprepared@purdue.edu
- Purdue Extension ANR Educators



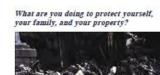
Additional Resources

- PPP-57 "Managing Farm Emergencies"
- PPP-64 "Rural Security Planning
- Available for download from Purdue Pesticide Programs at:
 - https://ppp.purdue.edu/



Rural Security Planning

Protecting Family, Friends, and Farm





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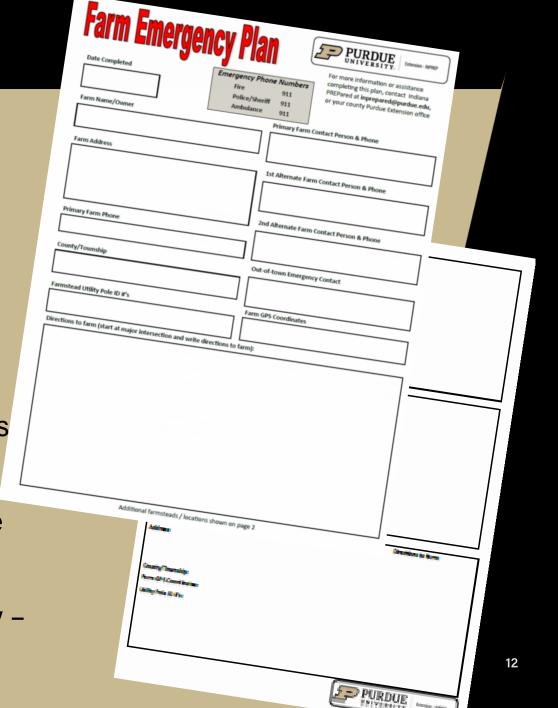
Tips for Preparing and Using Your Farm Emergency Plan

- Farm family members and staff should help create the plan
- To make an effective plan, be prepared to spend some time on the task
- Share the plan with:
 - Fire Department
 - Law Enforcement
 - County EMA
 - Insurance agent
- Store a copy at the farm for responders
 - Check PPP-57, PPP-64 for tips



Emergency Plan Template Pages 1 & 2

- Farm name, location, and primary contact information
- Out-of-town contact in case local communications are overloaded.
- GPS coordinates can be obtained from Google Maps or similar
- Date the plan it helps you remember when it's time to update!
- Write specific directions that can be read to the dispatcher
- Page 2 Additional farmsteads (don't get fancy call them what the family calls them)



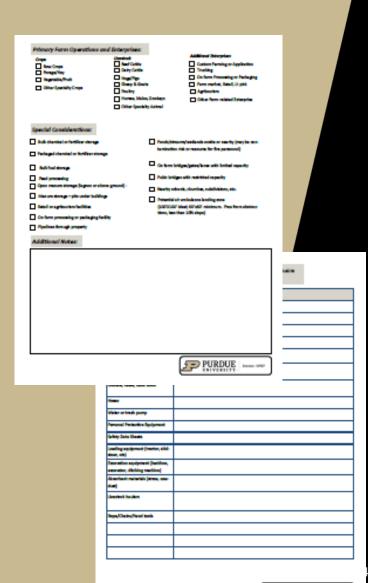
Emergency Plan Template Pages 3 & 4

- Important phone numbers you our responders can refer to during an emergency situation
 - Fire, EMS, Law Enforcement
 - Utilities
 - Suppliers
 - Neighbors
- Designate a family/staff meeting spot in case of emergency
- Family and staff information
 - Include everybody that lives or works on the farm, even parttime
 - List disabilities or other issues that might impact emergency or rescue situations
 - Update the personnel list regularly!



Emergency Plan Template Pages 5 & 6

- Quick snapshot of the farm operation for emergency personnel
- Identify potential challenges/unique situations on the farm site
- Completing this page might cause a farm family to realize there could be more happening on the farm than they thought!
- Identify possible resources around the farm or neighborhood that could be useful in an emergency
- List a specific location the perfect tool is no good if you can't find it when you need it!





Emergency Plan Template Pages 7 & 8 - Maps!

- Don't have to be fancy to be effective neatly handsketched will work. Add as many pages as needed.
- Satellite images make great starting points (Google, Apple Maps, county GIS, FSA aerial maps)
- Clearly label facilities, features, utilities, potential hazards
- Label barns, etc. what you normally call them ("the brick barn", "nursery", "old shed", "heifer lot")
- Neighborhood map takes a wider view to identify nearby sites that:
 - Might be impacted by an emergency at your property
 - Could affect emergency response (blocked train tracks, bridge out)



Example Farmstead Map



Neighborhood Map



Download a Farm Emergency Plan Template

Visit <u>www.INPREPared.org</u>

- Click on the "Resources" tab at top of page
- Scroll through to find "Farm Emergency Plan Development and Resources"
- Fillable .pdf Emergency Plan template can be downloaded
 - Type information into fillable document
 - Print and handwrite

Additional Resources

- Tips and Instructions for completing a plan
- Links to PPP-57 & PPP-54

