

SOUTHERN AGRICULTURE & ANIMAL
DISASTER RESPONSE ALLIANCE
(SAADRA)



SAADRA MEMBER STATES

❖ SAADRA:

- ❖ Alabama
- ❖ Arkansas
- ❖ Florida
- ❖ Georgia
- ❖ Kentucky
- ❖ Louisiana
- ❖ Mississippi**
- ❖ North Carolina
- ❖ South Carolina
- ❖ Tennessee
- ❖ Texas
- ❖ Virginia**
- ❖ West Virginia

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Greenville, SC
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COLLABORATION

- ❖ Monthly conference calls
- ❖ Increased communication and coordination during emergency events
- ❖ Shared training opportunities
 - ❖ Disease management
 - ❖ Carcass management
 - ❖ Mitigation, Planning, Response, and Recovery
- ❖ Shared state plans and processes
- ❖ Shared templates (e.g. Situation Reports)
- ❖ New ideas and approaches



FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE FUNCTIONAL EXERCISE

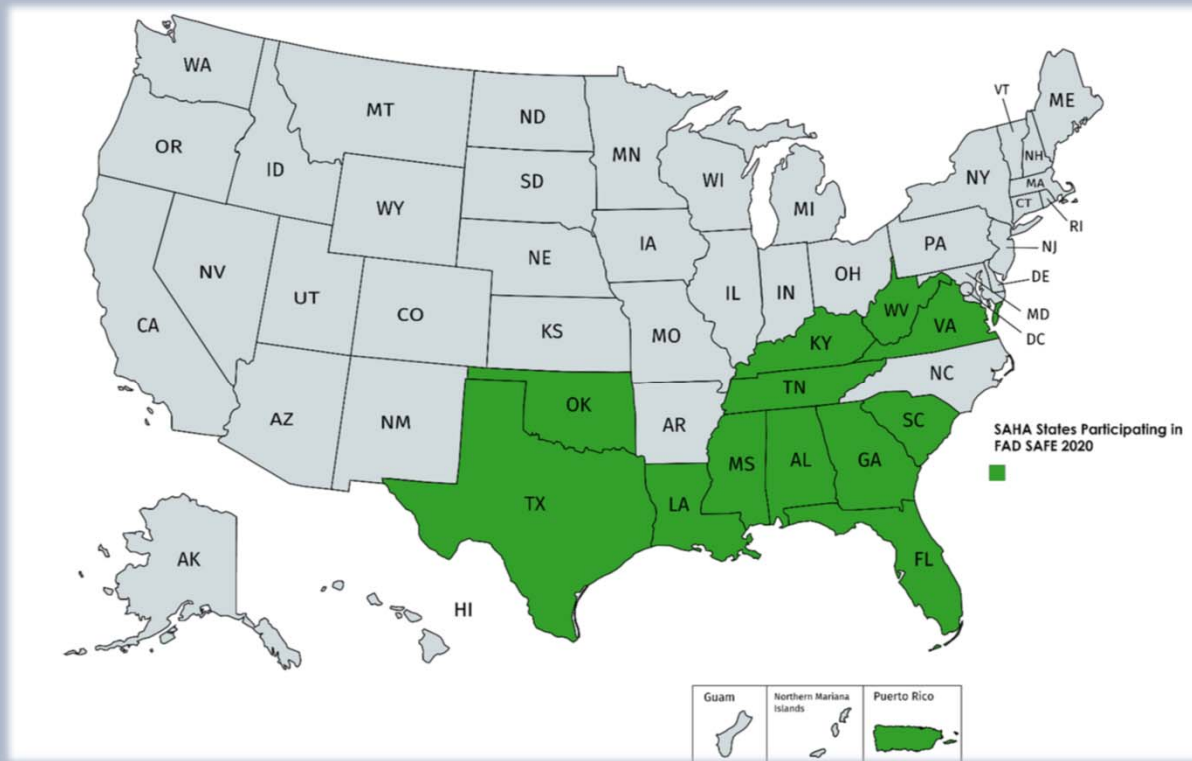
Southern Animal Health Association (SAHA) submitted request to USDA end of 2018

FMD functional exercise structured similarly to the Agriculture Response Management and Resources (ARMAR) exercise conducted 2018

Initial planning meeting July 2019. Exercise name: Foreign Animal Disease Southern Agriculture Functional Exercise (FAD SAFE)

FAD SAFE scheduled November 2020

FAD SAFE PARTICIPANTS



FAD SAFE GOALS

1. Develop uniform public messaging between all stakeholders for an FMD response.
2. Implement FAD and/or FMD plan, policies, and procedures.
3. Identify resources (where they are ordered and how they are managed) for FMD response at federal, state, and local levels.
4. Coordinate communications and information sharing between all stakeholders in an FMD response.
5. Effectively coordinate the response to a regional-level FMD outbreak.

REGIONALIZED APPROACH

❖ Benefits of regional collaboration

- ❖ Consistency
- ❖ Streamline communication
- ❖ Continuity of agricultural business
- ❖ Uniform reporting to USDA
- ❖ Clear public messaging



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- ❖ Planning
- ❖ Sharing information
- ❖ Creation of resources such as templates, checklists, etc.



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- ❖ **Public messaging**
 - ❖ Templates for press releases, social media posts, checklists, etc.
- ❖ **Plans, policies, and procedures**
 - ❖ Create best practices or SOPs for things such as biosecurity, etc.
- ❖ **Resources**
 - ❖ Identify regional resources by sharing information prior to an incident; identify regional resource gaps

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- ❖ Communication and info sharing
 - ❖ Establish uniform conference call agendas, sitrep templates, etc.
- ❖ Coordinate response
 - ❖ Identify all personnel assets to leverage during a response

QUESTIONS?



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