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Prepare for Tropical System Invest 93L

Baton Rouge, LA (June 19, 2017) – Louisiana Department of Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Mike Strain, D.V.M., said livestock owners along the Louisiana coast should be ready in the event of flooding that may occur from an approaching tropical system from the Gulf.

“Out of an abundance of caution, please be aware that heavy rain and tidal flooding are expected to threaten Southeast Louisiana with the heaviest rain happening Wednesday and Thursday,” said Strain. “This is a good time to be ready to move large animals out of harm’s way, if necessary.”

Right now, Plaquemines and St. Bernard Parishes are at risk areas. While evacuations are not being called at this time, hurricane season is here and having a game plan is always important.

Tips on preparing livestock trailers:

- Check tire pressure and rubber for wear
- Test brake and running lights
- Inspect the overall condition of the trailer

Important items to take:

- Health records (especially proof of EIA testing for horses)
- Food and water
- Special medications
- Bridles or leads

Proper identification for livestock is crucial in the event of comingling.

Livestock owners who need assistance should call their local Office of Emergency Preparedness (OEP).

For more information on emergency preparation for livestock, go to www.LDAF.la.gov
or www.getagameplan.org.

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