



Livestock Disaster Preparedness – EVACUATION

In the case of a requirement of evacuation, Wheatland County will post and notify residents of evacuation routes and temporary housing facilities.

Evacuation is often a necessity during a disaster event. Evacuation of people is taxing enough on a municipality, but the evacuation of livestock adds an entirely different set of challenges and risk factors to an already volatile situation. Quite often animal owners are reluctant to leave their animals behind, putting their own safety at risk.

Large animals can be much more challenging to evacuate than smaller animals, such as dogs or cats, as they require trailers.

Identify high points on your property where animals can be moved to in the case of flooding.

It is critical that all owners respect the evacuation routes established by the municipalities. Do not try to pass over roads that have been impacted by disaster including flooded roadways, roadways with power lines or trees down, roads drifted in or roads closed due to proximity to emergency event such as chemical spills or fires.