Emergency Preparation Checklist for Agriculture

1. Is your 911 address posted in 3 inch reflective numerals and is it visible from the road?

2. Do you have a farm map with the contents of each building listed?

3. Are fire extinguishers strategically located, and are they the right type for their location?

4. Do you know the snow load capacity of your building roofs?

5. Are your access roads adequate for emergency vehicles?

6. Is there a backup system for power, such as a generator, and is there enough fuel to run that system?

7. Do you have a sufficient water supply for emergencies?

8. Are pesticides, farm chemicals and medicines stored in a secure location?

9. Are flammable materials such as fuels, pesticides and paints stored away from buildings and secured so they cannot be washed away?

10. Is there a list of emergency telephone numbers in a language understood by all personnel located near every telephone?

11. Are you prepared for isolation with sufficient food, fuel and water for your family, employees and animals to last an extended period of time?

12. Do you have first aid kits, are they strategically located, and are family members and employees aware of those locations?

13. Are family members and employees trained in basic first aid?

14. Do you have a response plan in case of a manure, fuel, fertilizer, pesticide or other chemical spill?

CALL 911 in the event of an emergency that may require assistance from your fire department, police or a medical emergency.

In the event of an emergency that requires other assistance, you should contact your town emergency manager to coordinate response efforts.

For a more detailed emergency preparedness workbook specific to agricultural operations go to http://readyag.psu.edu/