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Will County Animals in Disasters

Emergency Management in Will County
Critical Infrastructure

- Dresden Nuclear Generating Station
- Braidwood Nuclear Generating Station
- Dresden Island Lock and Dam
- I-55 Bridge at the Des Plaines River
- ExxonMobil Refinery
- NRG – Joliet Power Station
- Brandon Road Lock and Dam
- I-80 Bridge at the Des Plaines River
- AT&T Joliet Central Office
- Lockport Lock and Dam
- Lockport Power House
- NRG – Romeoville Power Station
- US Army Corps of Engineers Aquatic Nuisance Species Dispersal Barrier
- Citgo Refinery
Top Threats

- Tornado
- Winter / Ice Storm
- Infrastructure Failure
- Terrorist Attack
- Flood
- Severe Thunderstorm
- Enemy Attack
- Hazardous Materials Release – Fixed Site
- Nuclear Power Plant Accident

Hazardous Materials

- 456 facilities with hazardous materials
  - 346 have extremely hazardous substances
    - 205 exceed the threshold for emergency planning purposes
CenterPoint Intermodal

WILL COUNTY IS THE LARGEST INLAND PORT IN NORTH AMERICA

OVER 3 Million containers flow through the port annually, with $65 Billion worth of products.

100M square feet of new industrial space in the last 15 years.

WILL COUNTY CONTINUES TO GROW

By 2040, 506K more people will live in the county, a 43% increase.

By 2040, 235K more people will work in the county, a 54% increase.

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Map of the United States showing the location of various ports and rail systems.
Rail Lines

- BNSF Railway
- CN Railway
- UP Railway
- CSX Railway
- Norfolk Southern
- Amtrak
- Metra

Pipelines

Legend
- Gas Transmission Pipelines
- Hazardous Liquid Pipelines
- County Boundaries
Interstates

[Map showing interstate highways]
Because of these hazards and threats we focus heavily on our planning, training and exercising.

Emergency Operations Plans

Provide a description of roles and responsibilities, tasks, integration and actions required of a jurisdiction or its departments and agencies during emergencies.
Animal Control Annex

- We work with our partners to develop these plans collaboratively
  - Will County Animal Control
  - Local Animal Control Agencies
  - Health Department
- Regional Catastrophic Planning Committee
  - Animal Services Workgroup
    - Encompasses the metro-counties, Cook and Chicago

Public Education

- Encourage pet owners to develop plans and supplies
- Use local Veterinarians to distribute information
Pet Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act 2006 (PETS)

- No laws were in place that required the evacuation of animals, rescued or sheltered
- Developed after Hurricane Katrina (2005)
- People were unwilling to leave their pets behind

New Challenges

- Co-Location of Human and Animal Shelters presented challenges
- Began to work with some of the larger facilities that can accommodate animals. We were successful in developing MOU’s with them
Joliet Junior College - Weitendorf Agricultural Education Center

Francis 4-H Field
Will County Fair Grounds

Other locations

- Joliet Municipal Airport
- Lewis University Airport
2016 AKC Reunite

AKC Trailer Contents

- Wrist bands for owners and collars for pets
- Registration forms and administrative tools
- Camera w/ SD card
- Micro Chips (50) | Micro Chip Scanner
- Stainless steel bowls (100)
- 44 large crates
- 21 medium crates
- Cleaning supplies
- Generator
What’s Next?

- Working with regional partners to develop
  - Standardized training for volunteers to manage a pet shelter
  - Licensure standards for Animal Response Team
    - Vet
    - Vet Tech
    - Animal Shelter
    - General volunteer

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Thank you!