



CVMA

Canadian Veterinary Reserve (CVR)



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About the CVMA

- The Canadian Veterinary Medical Association (CVMA) is the national and international voice for Canada's veterinarians, providing leadership and advocacy for veterinary medicine.
- The Canadian Veterinary Reserve (CVR) is a program of the CVMA.
- The CFIA provides contributions towards FAD emergency preparedness.

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Establishment of the CVR

- March 27 & 28, 2006 : Inaugural workshop
- November 2006: announcement by the Minister of Agri-Food Canada and CVMA President
- November 2006: First CVR Advisory Board meeting
- January 2007: 300 applications received

Mandate of the CVR

The CVR provides veterinary surge capacity resources to first-responders in case of large-scale emergencies involving animals, in order to address animal health and welfare issues.

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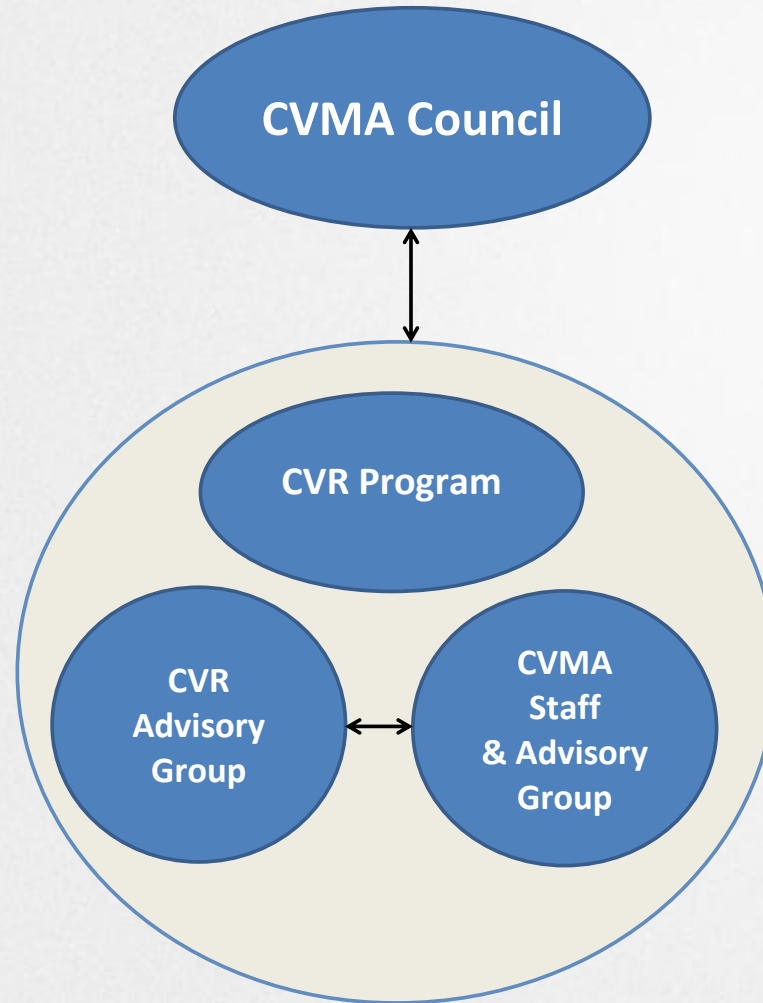


CVR Membership

- 474 Members with 245 of them having received formal training
- The CVR members are practitioners from the 10 provinces, Yukon and the Northwest Territories

AB = 77	BC = 68	MB = 24	NB = 15	NL = 2	NS = 18
NT = 1	ON = 114	QC = 111	PE = 10	SK = 32	YT = 2

CVR within the CVMA



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CVR Advisory Board Members

Public Health Agency of Canada
Canadian Animal Health Institute
Canadian Council of Chief Veterinary Officers
Canadian Council of Emergency Organizations
Registrars of the Provincial Veterinary Medical Associations
Canadian Food Inspection Agency
Public Safety Canada
Veterinarians without Borders
Registered Veterinary Technologists and Technicians of Canada
Canadian Animal Health Coalition
Deans of the Canadian Veterinary Colleges
Non Government Organizations
Council of the Canadian Veterinary Medical Association

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CVR Target

- 1) Emergency preparedness and response for FAD
- 2) Emergency preparedness and response for domestic civil emergencies and non-reportable diseases
- 3) Emergency preparedness and response for international civil emergencies (future)

Foreign Animal Disease (FAD)

- Recruitment
- Training / exercises
 - ICS
 - online orientation training modules
 - annual call-up training
 - Participate in exercise/training
- Deployment
 - on-the-ground training



2014-15 Avian Influenza Call-up, B.C.

- Overall, 11 commercial premises were infected and 245,600 affected birds had to be culled.
- 101 CVR members offered a total of 525 combined weeks of service.
- 70% offered 3 consecutive weeks of service between December 21, 2014 and March 1, 2015.

Civil Emergencies

- CVR support of provincial authorities
- CCVO has been part of the CVR Advisory Board since inception; CCEMO since 2013
- Provincial / CVR MOU
- CVR participation in provincial exercises
- On-line training for reservists



What would provinces use the CVR for?

Biological – epidemics (FAD, etc.) and vector (insect) infestations

Weather related – hurricanes, floods, storms, landslides, avalanches, fires, droughts, etc.

Geophysical – earthquakes, tsunamis, volcanic eruptions

Accidents – involving one or more transport trucks, trains, or planes carrying animals

What would be the role of the CVR members during a response?

1. Animal Search and Rescue
2. Identification & Tracking
3. Triage
4. Medical Care
5. Euthanasia
6. Evacuation (if required)
7. Recovery & Rehabilitation

Conclusion

All stakeholders to consider the capacity of the CVR in their animal emergency preparedness and deployment plans