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Provincial Perspective on FMD response



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Livestock in Saskatchewan



- The province is the second largest beef producer in Canada with 2.58 million head producing over \$1 billion of beef annually.
- With an estimated 22 per cent of Canada's total bison herd, Saskatchewan's bison numbers are also growing.
- Saskatchewan comprises of 7 % of the Canadian pig inventory.



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Livestock in Saskatchewan

- Livestock raised in Saskatchewan include:
 - Cattle - beef and dairy
 - Hogs
 - Bison
 - Poultry (including eggs)
 - Sheep/lamb
 - Specialized livestock are also raised in Saskatchewan such as elk and deer





FMD and Canada

- Foot and Mouth Disease (FMD) is a federally reportable disease in Canada
- Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) is responsible under the *Health of Animals Act* for eradication of Foreign Animal Diseases (FAD)
- Effective eradication of any FAD requires resources and cooperation by:
 - All levels of government
 - Livestock industries



FADES

- Emergency management coordination arrangements
- Supporting CFIA in FAD identification, control, eradication, and recovery
- Roles and responsibilities for Government of Saskatchewan
 - specially Saskatchewan Agriculture (Sask Ag)

FOREIGN ANIMAL
DISEASE EMERGENCY
SUPPORT PLAN

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FADES

- CFIA has expert personnel to deal with most FAD emergencies
 - Massive event (i.e. FMD) may overwhelm CFIA existing staff and resources
- Incident command system (ICS) would be utilized to coordinate all agencies working on infected premises and at Emergency Operation Centers (EOC)
 - CFIA EOC
 - Provincial EOC
 - Sask Ag EOC



EOCs

- Sask Ag would provide liaison staff at CFIA and provincial EOCs as deemed necessary
- Provincial EOC
 - coordinate provincial response/issues broader than disease eradication
 - Support CFIA EOC
- Sask Ag EOC
 - Liaise with Provincial and CFIA EOCs
 - Coordinate Sask Ag personnel and communications



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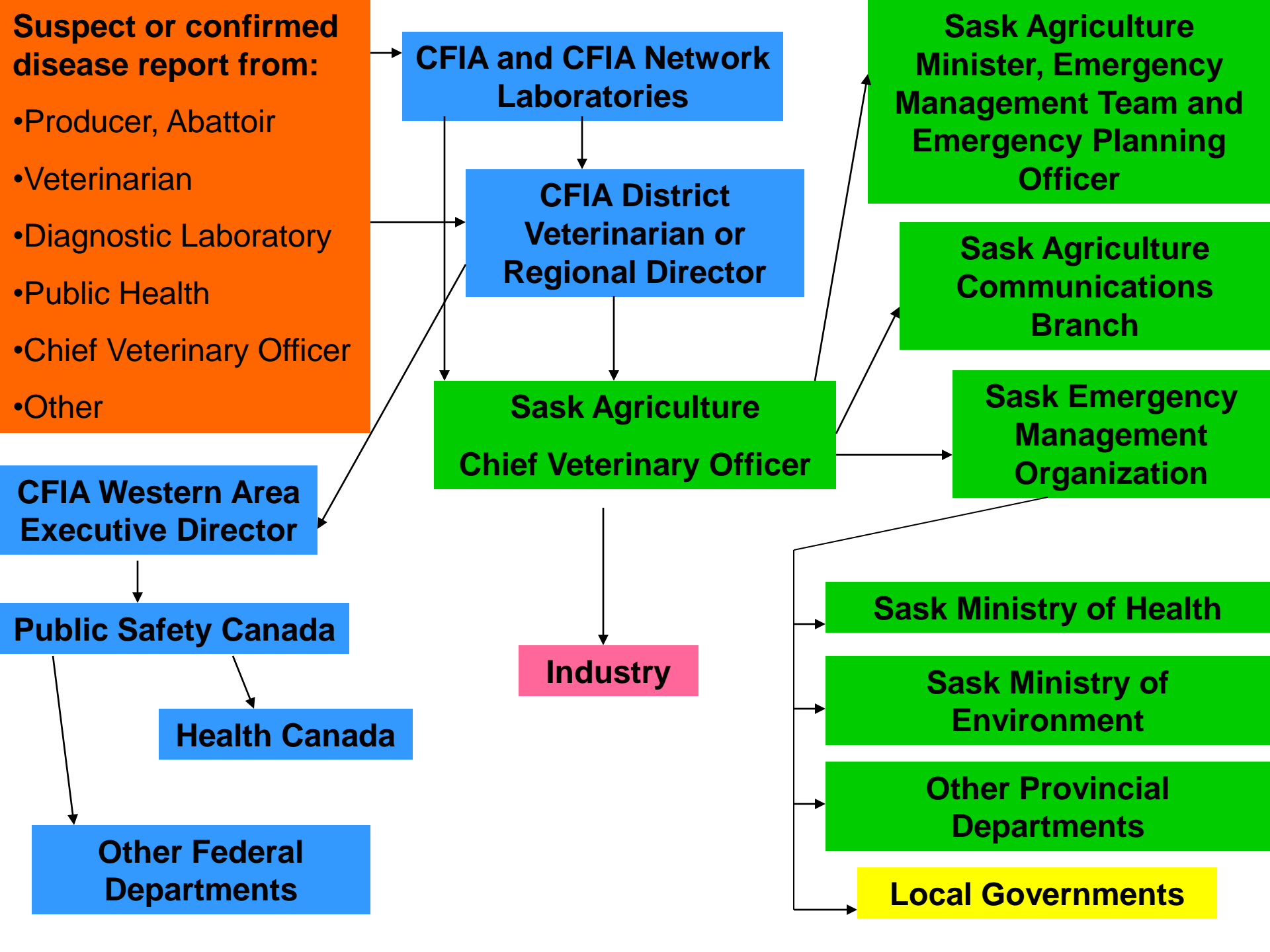
Sask Agriculture Responsibilities

- GIS
- Animal Welfare
- Slaughter
- Technical advice
- Veterinary advice
- Agricultural advice
- Epidemiology
- Managerial
- Logistics
- Personnel and equipment
- Movement control
- Tracing
- Disposal advise
 - Mass mortality plans for intensive livestock operations
- Representatives in Field Operations Centre



Unified Response

- Identifies roles of federal and provincial organizations/resources to assist CFIA
- How agencies will unify to respond to a FAD
- Communications
 - Sask Ag plays a major role in communications with local industry
- Industry support and assistance is critical during any FAD outbreak situation





Benefits

- Develops a Communication Network
 - Industry
 - Federal, Provincial and Local government
 - Supporting professional organizations (SVMA and SSPCA)
- Outline roles and responsibilities
- Expectations
- Authorities



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