

# EMERGENCY RESPONSE ON YOUR FARM

## Do YOU KNOW?

- Practicing emergency procedures and discussing possible emotional reaction, (fear, panic, crying) can better prepare a person to handle the pressures of a real crisis situation.
- Due to the isolation nature of farm work, there is often a long delay in emergency response to injuries, fire and explosions.
- More often than not, a family member is the first person on the scene of a farm injury or fatality. A communication plan can reduce additional delays.
- Research shows that time taken to get medical attention is critical. Post all emergency numbers by all phones.

CHECKLIST	SELF-AUDIT					NOTES
	DATE _____	Step 1		Step 2	Step 3	
Physical Conditions:	N/A	Yes	No	Priority for Action	What Action is Required	
1. Are adequate first aid kits located in standard locations for you farm? Home? Workshop? Tractors? Vehicles?						
2. Are emergency numbers and farm location numbers posted by all phones?						
3. Do you have an emergency tube located on the breaker pole and is information current?						
4. Is your 911 locator number used to mark your gate and posted by all phones?						
Work Practices:						
1. Are first aid kits periodically checked and replenished?						
2. Have a reasonable number of employees been trained in first aid and CPR to cover work areas?						
3. Do family members and / or employees know how to call for emergency help?						
4. Do family member and / or employees know how to shut off all machinery if someone is caught up or pinned down?						
5. Do you have a system to keep track of where family members or others are playing, working, and when they are expected to return?						
6. Do you routinely check with workers by phone, visit, C.B. or radio? or with other appropriate means of communication						
7. Do you act on issued weather warnings?						
8. Do you know what to do for accidental poisoning?						