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**Re: Inquiry into the feasibility of a National Horse Traceability Register for all horses**

Dear Joshua,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide further information as requested during the public hearing for the inquiry held in Canberra on 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

**Transcript: page 14 In response to a question by Senator FARUQI for more information about the New Zealand D4H animal incident management platform for animal evacuation.**

Horse SA contacted Mr. Steve Glassey of Animal Evac NZ to seek further information about the D4H animal incident management platform, for which a response is attached. Mr. Glassey has provided permission for the email to be supplied to the Senate for public purposes.

If a horse register was to proceed, the involvement of senior emergency management personnel would be of benefit, as triage during emergencies needs to connect animals and people who may be forced to re-locate over several sites. The principles of traceability established in the register are likely to apply in this situation, with provision for temporary relocation and temporary geographic reference points.

Regards,

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Hi Julie

Thanks for your query relating to animal databases.

Animal Evac NZ uses two different online platforms developed by D4H Technologies (Ireland). The first is our Personnel Manager, which we use to track volunteer details, email/sms communications, qualifications, trainings, events, equipment. The second is Incident Manager, which we use only during response (or training/exercises for such) which is a cutting edge response management solution. It is on/offline hybrid meaning once a device (tablet/smartphone/laptop etc) has initially logged on and synchronised, it can continue to be used off-line (i.e. no mobile data) and when the data connection is restored, it will synchronise. It has integrated GIS (ArcGIS) and is highly customisable. We use it to track evacuated animals (including microchip details), human evacuees, logistics, shelters, search and rescue requests, feed in place requests, situation reporting, action planning and more. Here is a short video of how it all works <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oVbY3qQIDDM>

That said, it may not be suitable for a national microchip registry. However, the NZ Companion Animal Register would be the ones to talk to as they already have a system that includes horses, and integrates with lost/found services, neighbourly, facebook and the likes. The Manager and expert in this area is Nygllhuw (Nigel) Morris, who will be a great person to talk too. The D4H platform has API capability, so an interface could developed between it and the NZCAR, but we don't have funding for that yet.

However, maybe D4H could be interested in developing something for SA and AU in general. The CEO is Robin Blanford, so feel free to say you have been talking to me.

I hope this helps

Steve

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