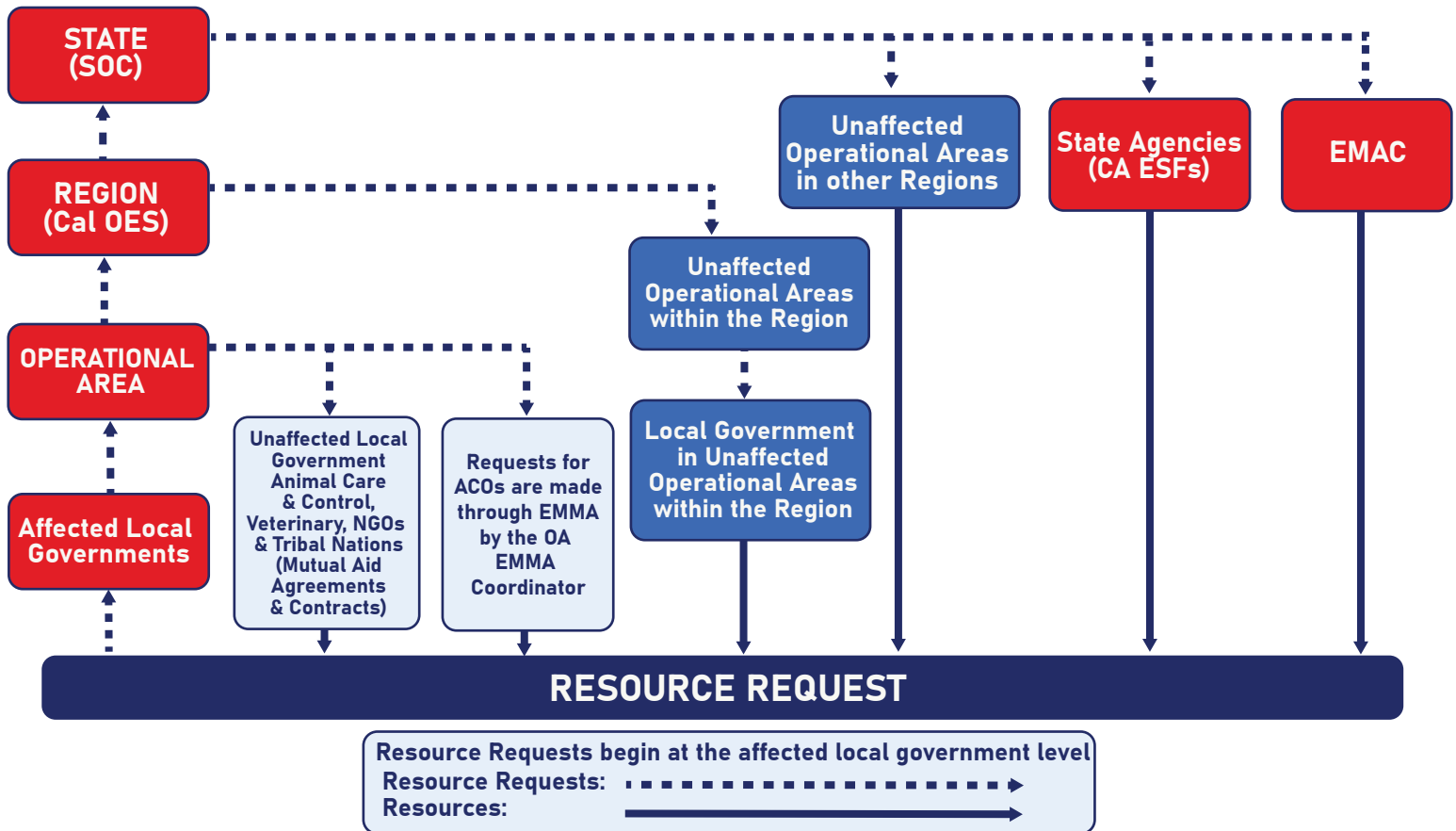


REQUESTS & RESOURCES FLOW UNDER SEMS

ANIMAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE RESOURCES

A Standardized Emergency Management System (SEMS) resource request may be made by local government and operational area (OA) emergency management when local resources are reasonably exhausted or anticipate full commitment of their resources and mutual aid is needed. Tribal governments have the option of requesting resources from the OA, the Cal OES Regional or State levels, or they may make their resource requests directly to the federal government.



HOW RESOURCE REQUESTS WORK

EMMA

Requests for Animal Control Officers (ACOs) are made through the Emergency Management Mutual Aid (EMMA) system. EMMA does not require actual exhaustion of all resources, instead considers anticipated full mobilization of resources and commitment to the disaster.

SEMS

Requests for Veterinary resources are made through a SEMS request. Local resources need to be reasonably exhausted or fully committed including contracts and mutual aid agreements (MOU/MOA) with neighboring counties/agencies and Tribal Nations.

CA-ESF 11

If the Cal OES Region or State cannot locate the resource, the State Operations Center (SOC) may task the California Emergency Support Function 11 (CA-ESF 11) Coordinator to mission coordinate non-governmental organizations (NGOs), non-profit organizations (NPOs) and veterinary resources. CARES assists the CA-ESF 11.

EMAC

The Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) can be used either in lieu of federal assistance or in conjunction with federal assistance. Governor must have proclaimed a State of Emergency (SOE).

Guide

The CARES Animal Resource Management Guide can provide detailed information.

Key Takeaways

- ✓ Resource requests start at the affected local government level.
- ✓ Resource requests are coordinated through the SEMS organizational levels: Local Government → OA → Region → SOC.
- ✓ Resources should be located through mutual aid agreements, contracts, and partner organizations before requesting Region and State-level assistance.
- ✓ Veterinary resource requests are submitted following the SEMS protocol.
- ✓ CARES assists the CA-ESF 11 through mission coordination of animal-related resources.

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OAs should consider making mutual aid agreements with government, agencies, Tribal Nations, **Community Animal Response Teams, (CARTS)**, NGOs and NPOs within the OA and in neighboring counties. Local government should also consider forming collaborative public-private partnerships through MOUs/MOAs and contracts.