

Federal Bureau of Investigation



“Agroterrorism in the Meat/Livestock Industry”

2020 Animal Care & Handling Conference



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Dallas Field Office
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Overview

- **FBI Field Office Locations & Overall Structure**
- **FBI WMD & DT Responsibilities**
- **Statutes & Violations**
- **Threat Environment & Exploitation Potential**
- **“MEAT THE VICTIMS” Incidents in Texas**
- **Incident Reporting & Information Sharing**



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National Security Programs

WMD & DT

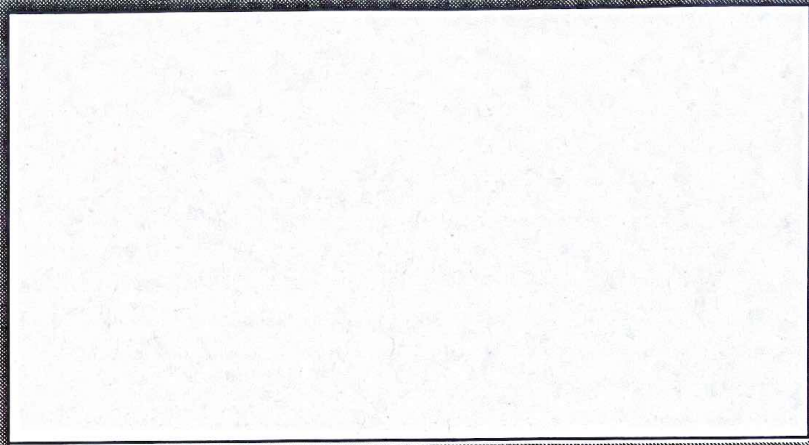
- **Joint Terrorism Task Force Members**
- **WMD Program Focused on Five (5) Modalities**
 - **Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, & Explosives**
- **DT Program Focused on Threat Actors**
 - **Animal Rights Violent Extremism**
- **Responses, Assessments & Investigations**
- **External Partner Outreach & Tripwire Establishment**



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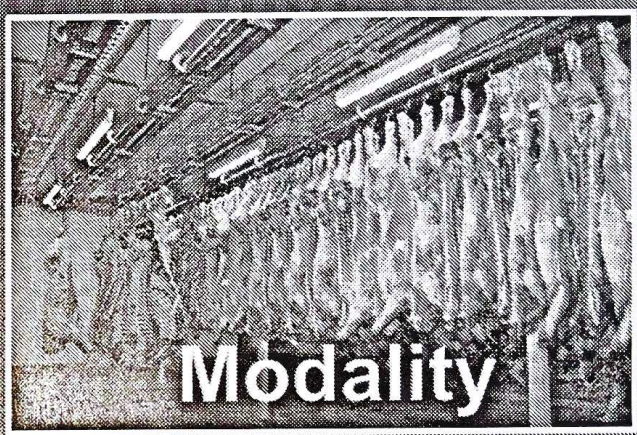
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**Domestic
Terrorism**



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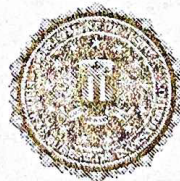
**Weapons of
Mass Destruction**



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Statutes & Violations

- **Title 18 U.S. Code § 2332(a)**
 - Attempted Use of a WMD
- **Title 18 U.S. Code § 43 (Animal Enterprise Terrorism Act)**
- **Title 18 U.S. Code § 175 (Biological Weapons)**
- **Title 18 U.S. Code § 1365**
 - Tampering with Consumer Products
- **Title 18 U.S. Code § 842(p)**
 - Teaching, Demonstration & Distributing of Information Relative to Explosives, Destructive Devices or WMDs
- **Possible State / Local Statutes??**



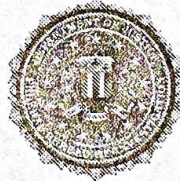
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Threat Environment & Exploitation Potential

- National Trend of Targeting Research Facilities Conducting Animal Testing
- Overt & Criminal Extreme Animal Activism
 - Direct Action Everywhere (DxE)
 - Mink Farm Raids in Utah & Idaho (September 2020)
- Regional Targeting of Poultry Live Operations
- Food Chain [REDACTED]

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**South Central
Texas
September 2020**

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Incident Reporting & Information Sharing

- **Notification to Law Enforcement**
 - Leverage Nearest Joint Terrorism Task Force
 - Leverage FBI WMD Programs (i.e. Modality Perspective)
- **Sharing of Social Media Information**
 - Federal Agencies – 1st Amendment Protected Right(s)
- **Communication with Partner Agencies**
 - Federal & State Partners (USDA, FDA, Dept. of Ag., Etc.)
 - Industry Contacts (Businesses, CO-OPs, Etc.)
- **Identify Emerging WMD / DT Threats & Trends**



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