

**48-3503. Coordination of acts of working group; duties.** (a) The department of health and environment shall coordinate all acts performed by the members of the working group.

(b) The working group shall:

(1) Establish a support network among the members of the working group to facilitate the efficient and timely completion of all acts to be performed by all affected state and local agencies;

(2) support the governor in the formulation of recommendations regarding the siting of a national bio and agro defense facility in Kansas;

(3) serve as an information resource on the national bio and agro defense facility, including, but not limited to, providing objective, scientific educational material on the national bio and agro defense facility, conducting workshops for state and local agencies, coordinating community outreach meetings, maintaining a website on the national bio and agro defense facility and performing such other tasks as to educate the public about the national bio and agro defense facility;

(4) identify the regulatory responsibilities for all aspects of the siting of a national bio and agro defense facility;

(5) provide guidance to the department of homeland security regarding all state and local permit processes;

(6) coordinate the exchange of information among all federal, state and local agencies affected by the siting of a national bio and agro defense facility in Kansas;

(7) identify available resources that may assist the department of homeland security in the national environmental policy act process; and

(8) facilitate the involvement of all affected state and local agencies in the national environmental policy act process.

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