

Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) Confirmed in the Township of Chippewas of Nawash Unceded First Nation

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On Wednesday, March 30, the Feather Board Command Centre (FBCC) was made aware of a high mortality incident in a poultry flock in your area.

FBCC has been working with the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and we can now confirm that HPAI has been identified on a premise within an approximate 10km radius from your farm. CLICK HERE to access a 10km buffered biosecurity area.

CFIA may be contacting you if they haven't already done so. CFIA will provide more details about what is expected.

The following outlines biosecurity protocols that MUST be implemented (basic and heightened measures) on-farm:

- Keep poultry away from areas frequented by wild birds and wild bird droppings.
- Maintain strict control over access to poultry houses and your premises.
- Make sure equipment is cleaned and disinfected before taking it into poultry houses.
- Do not keep bird feeders or create duck ponds close to poultry houses.
- Maintain the highest sanitation standards.
- Change footwear and prevent wearing contaminated clothing when entering the poultry house.
- Control access to your farm site by communicating the situation to all essential visitors, including service providers, input suppliers and feed providers.
- Keep mortalities in secure, covered containers until they are moved to the disposal area or transported off-farm.
- Place waste entering the public collection system in a sealed, waterproof bag with the exterior disinfected.
- If possible, keep all waste on-farm until the situation is resolved.

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All service providers are asked to minimize and sequence all travel in the area. For essential visits to premises where poultry is grown, please ensure you are following heightened biosecurity measures.

We will continue to keep you updated as the situation evolves.

If your birds show any signs of illness, call your veterinarian immediately. It is also recommended that you contact the 24-hour Feather Board Command Centre (FBCC) support line, 1-877-SOS-BYRD.

Visit the Feather Board Command Centre's website at www.fbcc.ca for more information.











