

# BC Poultry Emergency Response Team

## Industry Update

**Date:** February 18, 2015

**Time:** noon

**Event:** Avian Influenza 2014

Red font denotes new information.

### Event Overview

- Effective February 16, 2015, the Restricted Zone has been shrunk to the south side of Highway 1 and the Western border of the Restricted Area has also changed. Please see the attached a map for details. If your farm is outside the Restricted Zone, you no longer need to submit Flock Health Sheets or participate in Dead Bird Surveillance. (CFIA will not be collecting their bins – they are yours to keep.) Product movement will still require a General Permit.
  - We still need to be vigilant with respect to biosecurity as the wild waterfowl are still around, and the climatic conditions remain conducive to the disease.
- CFIA has lifted the quarantine on five IPs
- CFIA is reminding producers NOT to change numbers on the dead bird surveillance bins. It is important that we adhere to the assigned sub-premises numbers.
- CFIA is no longer requiring producers in the Fraser Valley to heat treat their manure prior to removing it from the barn. All manure movements in this region still require a specific permit as CFIA needs to be aware of the movements. All growers must still follow their zones requirements for flock health reporting and dead bird surveillance.
- CFIA has updated the areas under restriction for the State of Washington, down to county level. Under restrictions for import to Canada at this time:
  - For State of California ,
    - the QZ is within Stanislaus County and part of Tuolumne County;
  - For the State of Oregon,
    - the QZ is all of Douglas County
    - The outbreak in Idaho overlaps into a county in Oregon, for this reason, CFIA has determined that, the entire of Malheur County, Oregon is not permitted to export to Canada until further information is received on movement controls within this part of Oregon.
  - For the State of Washington
    - the QZ is all of the following counties: Benton County, Clallam County, Franklin County and Okanagan County;
  - For the state of Idaho,
    - the QZ overlaps two counties: Canyon County and Payette County.
- Producers have until April of 2015 to register for the Agri-Stability program year.
- Free counseling services are available for anyone affected through provincial disaster support services. The contact is Heleen Sandvik and she can be reached at 604-375-3487 (cell).

## CFIA contact information

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| • To report sick birds:                    | 604 557-4528   |
| • Movement Permits and Licenses            | 604-557-4522   |
| • E-mail for flock health reports:         | <a href="mailto:BC_NAI_Flockreporting@inspection.gc.ca">BC_NAI_Flockreporting@inspection.gc.ca</a> |
| • E-mail contact to ask for a permit:      | <a href="mailto:BC_NAI_Movement@inspection.gc.ca">BC_NAI_Movement@inspection.gc.ca</a>             |
| • To report missing bins:                  | <a href="mailto:BC_NAI_Diagnostics@inspection.gc.ca">BC_NAI_Diagnostics@inspection.gc.ca</a>       |
| • CFIA AI website - information & permits: | <a href="http://inspection.gc.ca/ai">http://inspection.gc.ca/ai</a>                                |

## Event Chronology

**December 1, 2014** – IP 1-2 identified and quarantined by CFIA

**December 2, 2014** – Two high risk contacts identified, resulting in two additional premises being quarantined.

**December 4, 2014** – Virus confirmed as highly pathogenic H5N2. The two high risk contacts have been confirmed positive for H5.

**December 7, 2014** – AI confirmed on IP5.

**December 10, 2014** – three new cases confirmed

**December 11, 2014** – a ninth farm in a new area has been identified

**December 14, 2014** – IP10 confirmed in the Aldergrove/Abbotsford area

**December 18, 2014** – IP11 confirmed in the Langley/Aldergrove area

**December 20, 2014** – IP NC 01 identified in North Aldergrove. New conditions for pullet movement.

**February 2, 2015** – IP NC 02 confirmed in Chilliwack

## Biosecurity & Premise ID Numbers

- **Bio-security has never been more important.** It is the first step to preventing the spread of the disease. We are just now entering the traditional start of avian flu season – do not lower your biosecurity precautions and standards. Biosecurity is your only defence against AI.
- **Access to pressurized water for trucks.** Biosecurity protocols state that farms must have pressurized water at the edge of their control zone. Producers must wash the undercarriage and wheels on all vehicles leaving the farm. This includes the farmers' own trucks and cars. **Note that this washing is the responsibility of the producer not the truck driver.** With the temperatures dropping this week; farmers should disconnect the hose and bring it into the barn so it doesn't freeze solid. Communicate with your feed representative to see when the feed truck is expected so you can be there to wash the truck as per your biosecurity responsibilities.
- When communicating with your hatchery, processor and CFIA, please use your premise id numbers. If you are not sure what your number is, please look at the signs on your barns. These numbers were created in order to easily identify farms in an emergency situation. These are the numbers that CFIA and the Ministry of Agriculture will be using to track any samples obtained on farm.

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