#### BC BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION

# **AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER**



## **AVIAN INFLUENZA**

# **BRITISH COLUMBIA**

See the attached update from Executive Director, Stephanie Nelson. As mentioned in the memo, the final PCZ 70 has been lifted as of August 3, 2022.

Producers: To read previous Avian Influenza updates follow the link below.

Avian Influenza in BC 2022

#### **PRICING**

#### **Average Breeder Price:**

Female: \$12.70 Male: \$18.12



Pricing Orders					
Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks	
A-172	1.966 \$/kg	644.96 ¢/doz	67.09 ¢/chick	86.03 ¢/chick	
A-173	1.941 \$/kg	642.22 ¢/doz	66.81 ¢/chick	85.75 ¢/chick	
A-174	1.951 \$/kg	651.97 ¢/doz	67.82 ¢/chick	86.76 ¢/chick	
A-175	2.063 \$/kg	675.30 ¢/doz	70.23 ¢/chick	89.17 ¢/chick	
A-176	2.152 \$/kg	699.13 ¢/doz	72.69 ¢/chick	91.63 ¢/chick	
A-177	2.218 \$/kg	706.08 ¢/doz	73.41 ¢/chick	92.35 ¢/chick	

## **PRODUCTION**

## **Year-To-Date Hatchability:**

83.06%

## **Average Lay Cycle End:**

60+ Weeks

## Lay Cycle Length:

Please continue to keep flock fertility up with the extended lay cycle length.

Production Cycles					
Period	Start Date	End Date			
A-172	Sep 26, 2021	Nov 20, 2021			
A-173	Nov 21, 2021	Jan 15, 2021			
A-174	Jan 16, 2022	Mar 12, 2022			
A-175	Mar 13, 2022	May 7, 2022			
A-176	May 8, 2022	Jul 2, 2022			
A-177	Jul 3, 2022	Aug 27, 2022			

## **Placement Date / Number Changes:**

Production staff want to note that increasing placeable hens or changing placement dates remains challenging at this time; most placement changes as a result of quota transactions must be done at least six months out (currently into February 2023).

#### **ON-FARM**

#### 2022 Audit Stats

Total Premises to Audit: 54 Premises Completed: 13/54

#### **Hatching Egg Tip**

Click here to read on article on the best water chlorination practices during production.

## **Biosecurity Status: YELLOW**

Industry is to function under the **yellow** status of biosecurity.

#### **Animal Care Program Manual – Update:**

The Animal Care Program Manual has been revised and approved by the CHEP Board in November of 2021. Kaitlyn has emailed you the new materials. You can also find the updated versions on the producer side of the website.

#### **On-Farm Programs Update:**

Due to the revocation of the final PCZ 70 in BC, all on-farm programs will be reinstated. Contact Kaitlyn (<a href="kaitlyn@bcbhec.com">kaitlyn@bcbhec.com</a>) to schedule any appointments.

#### **Barn Specifications:**

Please ensure Commission On-farm staff are aware of any barn specification changes made to your premise, including new barns. These numbers may impact your placement numbers. If corrections or updates need to be made on your specifications, please contact Kaitlyn (kaitlyn@bcbhec.com).

## **INDUSTRY INFORMATION**

## Poultry and Egg On-Farm Investment Program – Application Process Summary:

See the attached application process summary from CHEP for the PEFIP program. If you have any further questions regarding the PEFIP program, please contact Beata Kunze at <a href="mailto:bkunze@xplornet.ca">bkunze@xplornet.ca</a>.

## **Extreme Weather Preparedness for Agriculture Program:**

Take the time to read about the new provincial cost-share funding opportunity to see if you are eligible for any funding.

## **Biosecurity Resources:**

Follow the link below to view some biosecurity resources. These resources have been made for hog producers, but they have some good universal biosecurity signage and checklists that could be used for poultry.

Swine Biosecurity Resources

## **BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission – Staff Departure:**

David Antemir will be leaving the Commission as of August 10, 2022. We want to thank David for being a part of our team for the past three years. We wish him all the best in his new endeavors.

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#### **MEMO**

TO: BC Hatching Egg Producers and Other Stakeholders

FROM: Stephanie Nelson

DATE: July 29, 2022

SUBJECT: 2022 AI IN BC UPDATE

#### Good afternoon,

With the revocation of the final PCZ in BC, anticipated for early August, there will be no further EOC industry updates. However, be assured that my communication with you will continue. As we advance, I will send targeted e-mails as the Avian Influenza situation warrants.

The BC Poultry Association is anticipating lowering the biosecurity status from red to yellow. Once confirmed, the Commission will reinstate all on-farm programs, including audits, placements, SE sampling and spiking male testing. The on-farm team has been instructed to prioritize spiking male testing appointments. Please get in touch with Kaitlyn at the office to schedule <a href="kaitlyn@bcbhec.com">kaitlyn@bcbhec.com</a>.

While the operations section of the EOC is winding down, there are advanced planning meetings to plan for future outbreaks as there are concerns about the fall and the wild bird migration patterns.

Please keep a very close watch on the health of your flocks and ensure your vet is contacted if you think you have an issue. Most detections across Canada have been made by the daily assessments producers make on their flocks. Keeping the Commission informed of any developments is also critical, and please do not hesitate to contact me with concerns or questions.

Regards,

Stephanie Nelson, Executive Director BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission

## **PEFIP Application Process Summary**

If specific applicants are in need of assistance, they should be encouraged to contact CHEP and Teddy will contact the AAFC Programs Branch official to provide any possible updates that might be requested.

#### **Application Process Summary:**

Please see below a summary of the "ideal path" to the application process:

- 1. Register with the program.
- 2. Submit a project application:
  - 2.1 Supporting documentation for eligible costs Applicants must provide supporting documentation such as quotes, invoices, receipts, and proof of payment to substantiate all costs. The more complete the information provided upon application, the faster the file will be processed.
  - 2.2 Additional requirements for the project application A copy of the organization's Articles of Incorporation, if applicable (or other similar documentation in respect of a cooperative or trust). Proof of financing if applicable.
    - Proof of activity if required when the applicant is applying for activities already completed and normally consists of photos of completed work, plants, drawings, etc.
- Assessment and approval This is the internal process undertaken by AAFC. Programs officials
  may contact the applicant during this time for clarification or additional information or
  documentation.
- 4. Contribution Agreement Once the project is approved, the applicant will receive an email asking them to log into the system and review the Contribution Agreement, sign it, and reattach it to the system. You will also be asked to provide banking information for the direct deposit payment.
- 5. Claim for reimbursement/ Financial Report:
  - 5.1 If the project is retroactive (already completed at the time of application), the claim will be submitted automatically for the applicant.
  - 5.2 If the project was not complete at the time of the application, the applicant will have to use the system to submit a claim to be reimbursed one the project is complete. The claim may include some of the previously mentioned documents such as proof of payment of they were not available to the time of application.
- 6. Payment issued Once program officials are satisfied that all supporting documentation is present and the project has been completed, the applicant will receive payment via direct deposit.

You can review AAFC's applicant guide further prior to submitting an application here.