BC BROILER HATCHING EGG COMMISSION

JUNE 2023 NEWSLETTER



AVIAN INFLUENZA

British Columbia

Emergency Operations Centre Information Website:

All resources, templates, and information in one place for the current Avian Influenza outbreak.

CFIA – HPAI Additional Biosecurity Measures for Poultry Producers:

See the attached flyer regarding additional biosecurity recommendations for poultry producers.

Primary Control Zones:

CFIA - Primary Control Zone Maps

PRICING

Pricing Orders							
Period	Live Chicken	Hatching Eggs	Saleable Chicks	Day-Old Broiler Chicks			
A-178	2.254 \$/kg	706.92 ¢/doz	73.49 ¢/chick	92.43 ¢/chick			
A-179	2.262 \$/kg	687.58 ¢/doz	71.62 ¢/chick	93.56 ¢/chick			
A-180	2.280 \$/kg	697.91 ¢/doz	72.70 ¢/chick	94.64 ¢/chick			
A-181	2.259 \$/kg	711.07 ¢/doz	74.07 ¢/chick	96.07 ¢/chick			
A-182	2.293 \$/kg	709.27 ¢/doz	73.88 ¢/chick	95.88 ¢/chick			
A-183	2.267 \$/kg	692.78 ¢/doz	72.16 ¢/chick	94.16 ¢/chick			



End Date

Oct 22, 2022

Dec 17, 2022

Feb 11, 2023

Apr 8, 2023

Jun 3, 2023

Jul 29, 2023

Production Cycles

Start Date

Aug 28, 2022

Oct 23, 2022

Dec 18, 2022

Feb 12, 2023

Apr 9, 2023

Jun 4, 2023

Period

A-178

A-179

A-180

A-181

A-182

A-183

PRODUCTION

Year-To-Date Hatchability:

82.35%

Average Lay Cycle End:

63 Weeks

Lay Cycle Length:

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

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 November 2023).

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2023 Audit Stats

Total Premises to Audit: 52 Premises Completed: 16/52

Hatching Egg Tip

Here is a helpful poster on 10 warning signs of poor ventilation.

Biosecurity Status: RED

Industry is to function under the red status of biosecurity.

Turkey Farmers of Canada – Barn Entry Biosecurity:

See the attached flyer from Turkey Farmers of Canada on improved barn entry design and how to use benches for effective biosecurity.

On-Farm Program Update:

Please see below for an important memo regarding on-farm programs.

INDUSTRY INFORMATION

June 5, 2023 – Annual Chicken Golf Tournament:

The annual Chicken Golf Tournament is coming up on Monday, June 5, 2023. Golf teams are sold out but if you would like to support the cause and join for dinner tickets are still available here.

CPRC – Knowledge and Technology Transfer Activities for Cluster 3 Projects:

CPRC is wrapping up knowledge and technology transfer (KTT) activities for cluster 3 projects and they are included here to share publicly with your producers and networks:

- 1. **Poultry Science Cluster video** This short video summarizes the work done in cluster 3. You can download the file type you'd like from this link, or you can link to the file that's posted on the home page of www.poultrysciencecluster.ca
 - Poultry Science Cluster Final English
- 2. Poultry Science Cluster video trailer This is a 40-50 sec trailer of the above video that you can download for use.
 - Poultry Science Cluster Trailer
- 3. **Research Highlights Report** This is the compilation of all the stories written for cluster 3 and is posted on the home page of www.poultrysciencecluster.ca
 - Research Highlights Report

Agricultural Clean Technology Program:

The Agricultural Clean Technology Program – Adoption Stream opens on **June 1, 2023**. Applications will be accepted from **June 1, 2023** until **June 22, 2023** or until demand exceeds available funding.

The Adoption Stream supports the purchase and installation of commercially available clean technology or equipment upgrades to reduce greenhouse gases, fertilizer, and methane emissions.

Details at: https://agriculture.canada.ca/en/programs/agricultural-clean-technology-adoption-stream

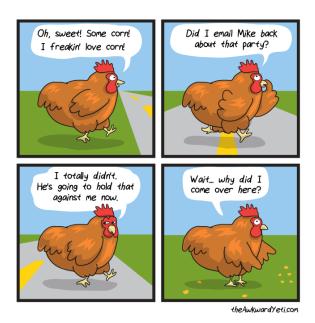
Extreme Weather Preparedness Funding:

The opening for the Extreme Weather Preparedness Funding is **May 23, 2023,** with a closing date of **June 14**th. Information (including the guide) can be found at: Extreme Weather Preparedness for Agriculture Program - Province of British Columbia (gov.bc.ca).

Note: It is expected that there will be high demand for this program. Funding will be allocated on a first come, first served basis for all eligible completed applications.

Request for Producers using water-based cooling systems:

Dr. Caroline Duchaine from Université Laval is leading a research project on microbial contamination of cooling systems used in poultry and swine industries. She is looking for producers across Canada who use any type of water-based cooling systems, including cooling pads and misting systems, who could provide water and biofilm samples from their systems. Shipping costs for the samples will be covered under the project. *Please contact Vicki Sikur at CHEP* (<u>vsikur@chep-poic.ca</u>) by June 13, 2023 if you are interested in participating.



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Additional biosecurity recommendations for poultry producers Recommandation pour des mesures de biosécurité additionnelles pour les producteurs de volaille

In addition to the usual increased precautions during the migration period, special attention is needed to avoid attracting scavengers:	En plus des <u>précautions</u> habituelles rehaussées pendant la période de migration, une attention particulière est nécessaire pour éviter d'attirer les charognards:	
• ensure that wild birds and animals do not have access to domestic dead birds (e.g.: keep rendering or deadstock bin closed, do not overfill, repair/replace damaged bins, prevent access by wild birds or animals to the compost pile or bin, cover burial, etc.)	s'assurer que les oiseaux et animaux sauvages n'aient pas accès aux oiseaux domestiques morts (ex: bac à équarrissage fermé, ne pas trop remplir, réparer/changer les bacs endommagés, compost sans accès aux animaux et oiseaux, enfouissement recouvert, etc.)	
do not leave deadstock near the barn entrances to pick them up after visiting all barns (instead, provide closed bins, bring deadstock quickly to the disposal site, or freeze and store for later disposal, etc.)	ne pas laisser les carcasses d'oiseaux près de l'entrée des bâtiments pour une récupération après la tournée de tous les bâtiments (prévoir plutôt des bacs fermés, aller porter les carcasses rapidement au site d'élimination, ou congeler et entreposer pour une élimination ultérieure, etc.)	
• if deadstock is transported in a vehicle (e.g. pick-up, tractor) to the disposal site (e.g. rendering bin), make sure to have a closed bin, wash and disinfect equipment/vehicle before another use, etc.	si les carcasses sont transportées dans un véhicule (ex pick up, tracteur) vers le site d'élimination (ex bac à équarrissage), s'assurer d'avoir un contenant fermé, de laver et désinfecter l'équipement/véhicule avant une autre utilisation, etc.	
ensure feed storage is secure and promptly clean up feed spills to minimize attracting pests and scavengers	s'assurer que l'entreposage des aliments est sécurisé et nettoyer rapidement les déversements d'aliments pour réduire l'attraction de la vermine et des charognards	
bring the rendering bin near the road on the scheduled day to avoid traffic on the site	mettre le bac d'équarrissage près de la route lors de la collecte pour éviter la circulation du camion sur le site	EQCMA

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Barn Entry Biosecurity



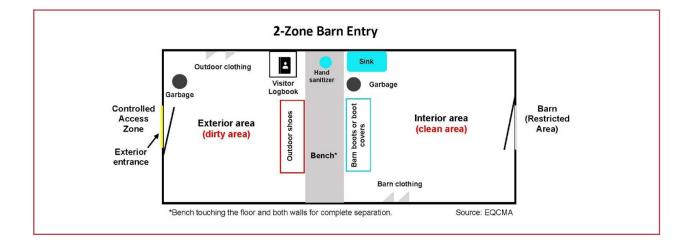
- A bench at the barn entry is an effective reminder to change your footwear before crossing over. A bench physically divides the entry into clean and dirty areas.
- The bench should be high enough so it cannot be missed and extend to the floor and walls on both sides to prevent the introduction of contaminated material into the restricted area.
- Always keep your barn entry room clean and disinfect regularly. Keep dedicated cleaning supplies (e.g., broom) on both sides of the entry.
- When using a bench at the barn entry follow these basic steps **every time** when entering and exiting your barn!

When entering the barn:

- Enter the barn entry room and stop before the bench.
- Remove outerwear and hang on the dirty side of the entry. Disinfect supplies that need to enter the restricted area.
- 3. For visitors, sign the Barn Entry Log.
- Sit down on the bench, remove your outside footwear and leave it on the dirty side of the entry.
- Without letting your feet touch the ground, swing your feet over the bench straight into your restricted area footwear.
- 6. Use hand sanitizer or wash your hands.
- 7. Put on barn-specific clothing and you are ready to enter the production area!

When exiting the barn:

- Exit the production area and stop before the bench.
- Remove your barn-specific clothing and hang on the clean side.
- 3. Sit down on the bench, remove restricted area footwear and leave it on the clean side.
- 4. Use hand sanitizer or wash your hands.
- Without letting your feet touch the ground, swing your feet over the bench and put on your outside footwear.
- 6. Put on outerwear and exit to the outside.





MEMO

TO: BCBHEC Producers

FROM: On-Farm Team

DATE: June 2, 2023

SUBJECT: On-Farm Program Update

At their recent May meeting, the BC Broiler Hatching Egg Commission approved restarting the on-farm programs. As a result, audits, salmonella enteritidis end-of-lay testing, pullet placements, and barn specification updates immediately resume. Therefore, you can expect to receive correspondence regarding on-farm appointments as early as next week.

We assure you that our team is taking biosecurity very seriously. All staff follow strict biosecurity protocols, including coveralls, booties, gloves, hairnets, and masks if necessary. In addition, we attend one farm daily and, as always, work from clean to dirty zones.

The Spiking Male Program was reinstated on April 11, 2023, by introducing an interim protocol checklist in conjunction with the Red Zone Alert. Don't hesitate to contact the On-Farm Team if you wish to move spiking males off-site to ensure the proper testing, permitting, and registration is applied for.

This a reminder that we have two new on-farm staff members. Riesa Kyne is our On-Farm Program Technician, and Amy Keller is our Summer Student, who will also be attending your farm to support the above-listed programs.

We look forward to seeing you on-site soon.

Regards,

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