

## **INDUSTRY INFECTIOUS LARYNGOTRACHEITIS (ILT) DISEASE ADVISORY** **Lanark County**

**March 7, 2017**

On behalf of the four feather boards, the Feather Board Command Centre (FBCC) is issuing an ILT Disease advisory to all commercial poultry farmers and small flock growers in Lanark County. This is the second currently infected small flock in Lanark County (**see previous ILT advisory released on Feb 23, 2017.**)

FBCC has been alerted by OMAFRA that a “silkie” type chicken from a small unregistered, non-commercial mixed breed layer flock in Lanark County has tested positive for Infectious Laryngotracheitis (ILT). Since this premise is unregistered, no detailed geographical data is available and no map will be generated.

The lab submission came through the *Small Flock Surveillance Project* administered by OMAFRA and the University of Guelph. OMAFRA staff are providing advice to the small flock owner and his veterinarian to ensure proper biosecurity and disease control measures are implemented. There is no reported epidemiological link to the other ILT case in Lanark County.

Please reinforce your biosecurity protocols if working with flocks or travelling through Lanark County. Suspend all non-essential visits. For essential visits, apply the following recommended biosecurity measures: wearing boots, protection suits, hats and gloves/hand washing. All deliveries/loading should be last on the route. Wash and disinfect the truck's undercarriage and steps before proceeding with any other delivery/loading. Do not go to another farm within 12 hours.

Should you be aware of health concerns in flocks you deal with, please advise the farmer to contact their veterinarian as well as their Board.

We anticipate this advisory status to last until mid April.

You will be alerted of any changes in status through the FBCC website at [www.fbcc.ca](http://www.fbcc.ca).

