

HEIGHTENED BIOSECURITY STAND DOWN Lanark County

*Re: INDUSTRY NOTIFICATION - ILT DISEASE ADVISORIES
(Feb. 23 and March 7, 2017)*

April 11, 2017

On behalf of Ontario's four feather boards, the Feather Board Command Centre wishes to announce that the Feb 23 and March 7 heightened biosecurity ILT advisories that were issued to the poultry industry in respect to Lanark County have now been lifted.

Normal biosecurity levels can be restored.

As the spring migration of wild birds continues, we must remain mindful of the risk of avian influenza. The serious North American outbreaks in 2014/15, the recent widespread outbreaks across Europe and the incidents in south eastern United States demonstrate the very real risk to the health of our commercial poultry and small flocks when there is a breach in biosecurity. Avian influenza spreads when wild birds, people, vehicles and equipment carrying viruses come into contact with commercial/small flocks.

All farmers and service providers should regularly monitor their biosecurity plans to stop disease from flying, walking or rolling into Ontario poultry flocks.

If you become aware of infectious disease in a flock, please remind the producer to immediately contact their veterinarian and board.

Thank you for your continuing support of poultry producers in their efforts to protect the health of their flocks during these incidents.

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