

HEIGHTENED BIOSECURITY STAND DOWN United Counties of Leeds Grenville

Re: INDUSTRY NOTIFICATION - ILT DISEASE ADVISORY April 28, 2017

June 1, 2017

On behalf of Ontario's four feather boards, the Feather Board Command Centre wishes to announce that the April 28 heightened biosecurity ILT advisory that was issued to the poultry industry in respect to the United Counties of Leeds Grenville has now been lifted.

Normal biosecurity levels can be restored.

Migratory waterfowl continue to contribute to the spread 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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