IOWA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND LAND STEWARDSHIP

IN RE:)	ORDER NO. AI-22-004
Poultry Events in the State of Iowa))	ORDER CANCELLING POULTRY EVENTS

As of March 23, 2022, there have been five confirmed cases of highly pathogenic avian influenza in the State of Iowa. The Governor of the State of Iowa has declared a state of disaster emergency. The Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship is taking steps to track, monitor, and lessen the risk of spread of this disease in the state. Furthermore, producers and owners have been asked to take and implement every biosecurity measure available to limit the risk of disease transmission. Additional actions are necessary to minimize the risk of spreading highly pathogenic avian influenza in the State of Iowa.

THERFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, under the authority of Iowa Code §163.1, which authorizes the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship to limit animal movement for disease control and Iowa Code Chapter 165B, "Control of Pathogenic Viruses in Poultry," that:

- 1. All events where live birds are brought together from different premises, including but not limited to, live bird exhibitions, county fairs, the State Fair, or other co-mingled events are immediately cancelled. These events are cancelled for a minimum of thirty (30) days and until such time after thirty (30) days have passed without a confirmation of a new infection of highly pathogenic avian influenza in domestic poultry in the State of Iowa.
- 2. Any events where sales, transfer, or swapping of birds where the birds are brought together from different premises, are immediately cancelled. Sales, transfer, swapping events include, but are not limited to, sales of birds at livestock auction markets, swap meets or any other event where birds are brought together for these purposes. These activities are cancelled for a minimum of thirty (30) days and until such time after thirty (30) days have passed without a confirmation of a new infection of highly pathogenic avian influenza in domestic poultry in the State of Iowa.
- 3. The prohibitions in this order do not apply to movements permitted by the Iowa Department of Agriculture and Land Stewardship and to sales or events held electronically or over the internet from non-avian influenza affected areas.

4. Violations of this order are subject to civil penalty or criminal prosecution or both.

State Veterinarian

Dated: March 23, 2022