

Background and Current Status of Avian Influenza – Wisconsin

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We have AI



Background

- First detection
04/11/2015
- 9 commercial
facilities, 1
backyard flock in 4
counties
- 6 turkey flocks, 3
table egg flocks
- ~1.8 million birds
affected



Background

- Depop – CO₂ and Foam
- Disposal
 - Birds composted on site – in barn and outdoors
 - Solid waste landfilled or incinerated off site





Background

As of 08/08/2015, all farms are released from quarantine and are re-populating



Preparedness

- Adapting to a new reality – redefined what an animal disease response really means
 - Farm preparedness
 - Biosecurity
 - Emergency prioritization
 - SOPs
 - Situational awareness



Preparedness

- Greater communication with Emergency Management partners to improve incident response
- Liaisons! Liaisons! Liaisons!



Preparedness

- Establishment of working groups with other agencies to develop Branch-specific directives

Incident Action Plan

- What do we need to do?
- Who is responsible for doing it?
- What resources are needed?
- How do we communicate?

Preparedness

Medical clearance and fit-testing for a broad range of staff



Predictions

Next three months?





Focus Areas

- Lessons learned
- Knowledge gap filling
- Statutory authorities
- SME training
- Communicating
- Virus deactivation



Specific Needs

- More consistency
 - Farm to farm
 - Agency to agency
 - State to state
- Technical Support
 - Decision making needs explicit technical support

Questions?

