

Composting AI mortalities



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Introduction

Mission:

Deactivate the HPAI

Method:

Create compost windrows, get average pile temps up over 130°F



Introduction

Two scenarios

- Farms constructed own piles with no supervision or assistance
- Farms assisted by subject matter experts/regulators

Chickens

- Layer barn layout not conducive to in-barn composting
- Compost piles built in manure barn and outside



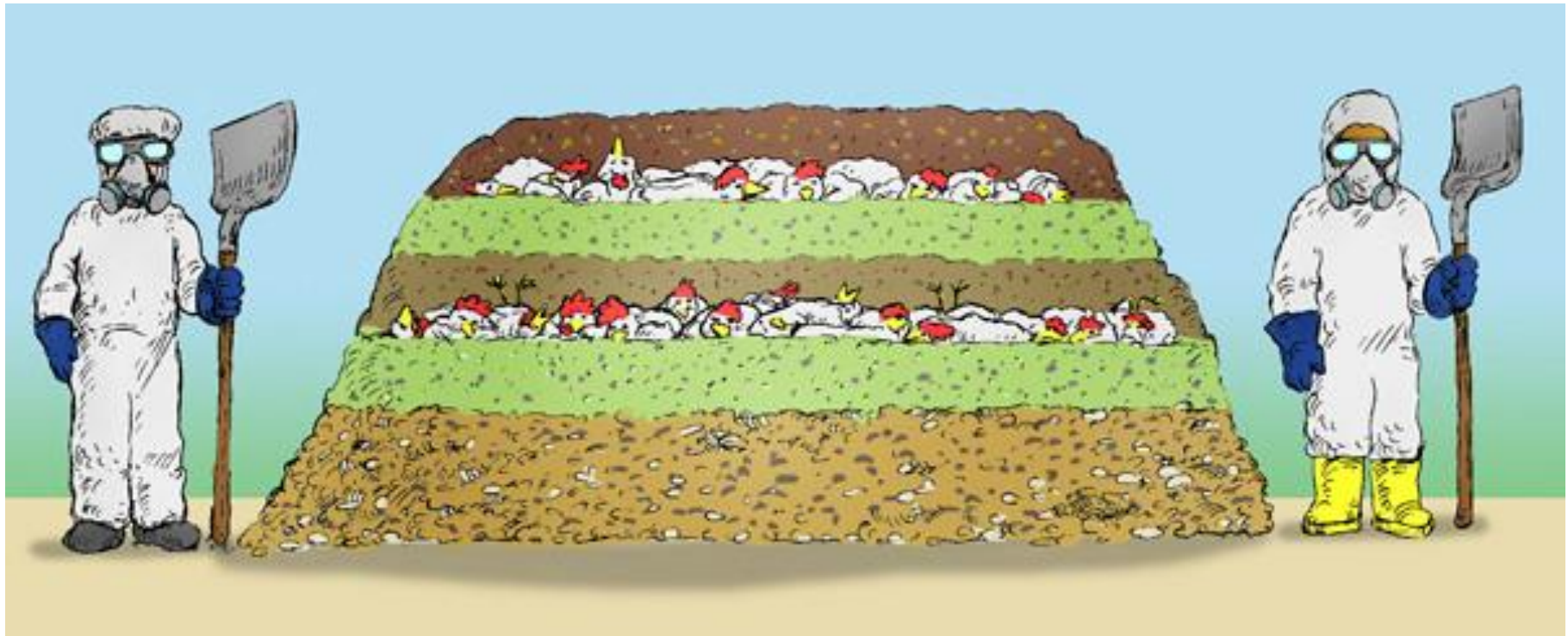
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Construction of piles

- Adequate space
- Room for equipment to maneuver
- Outdoor advantage?
- Farm worker assistance invaluable
- Size of birds
- Carbon sourcing problems



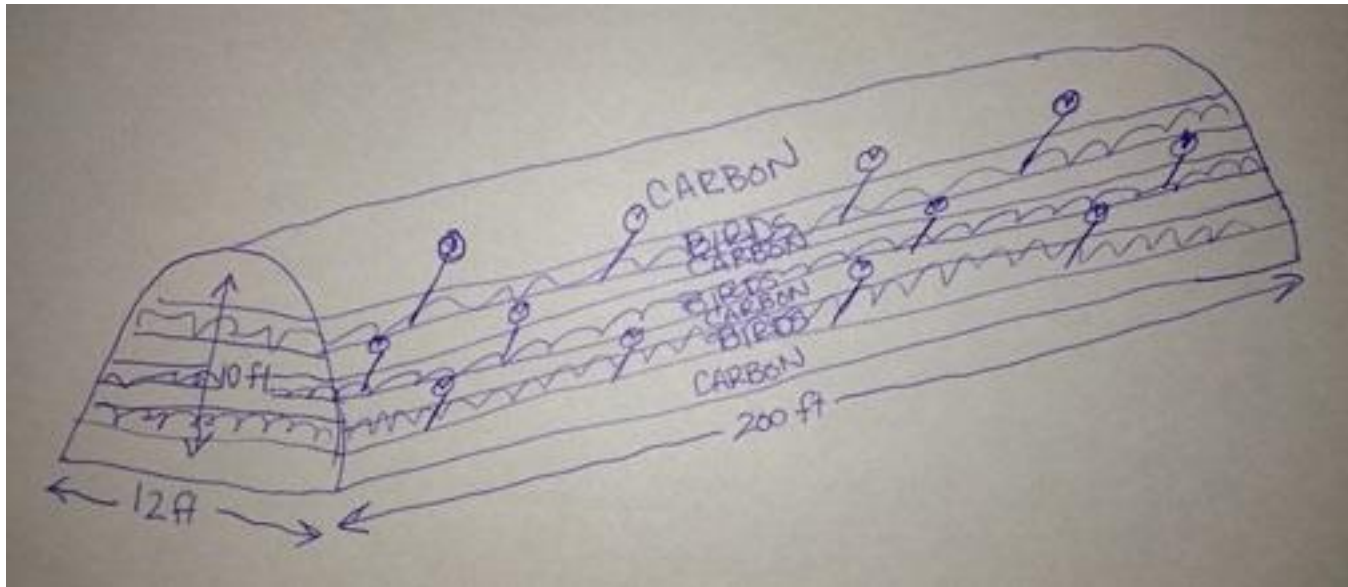
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Chickens

Monitoring

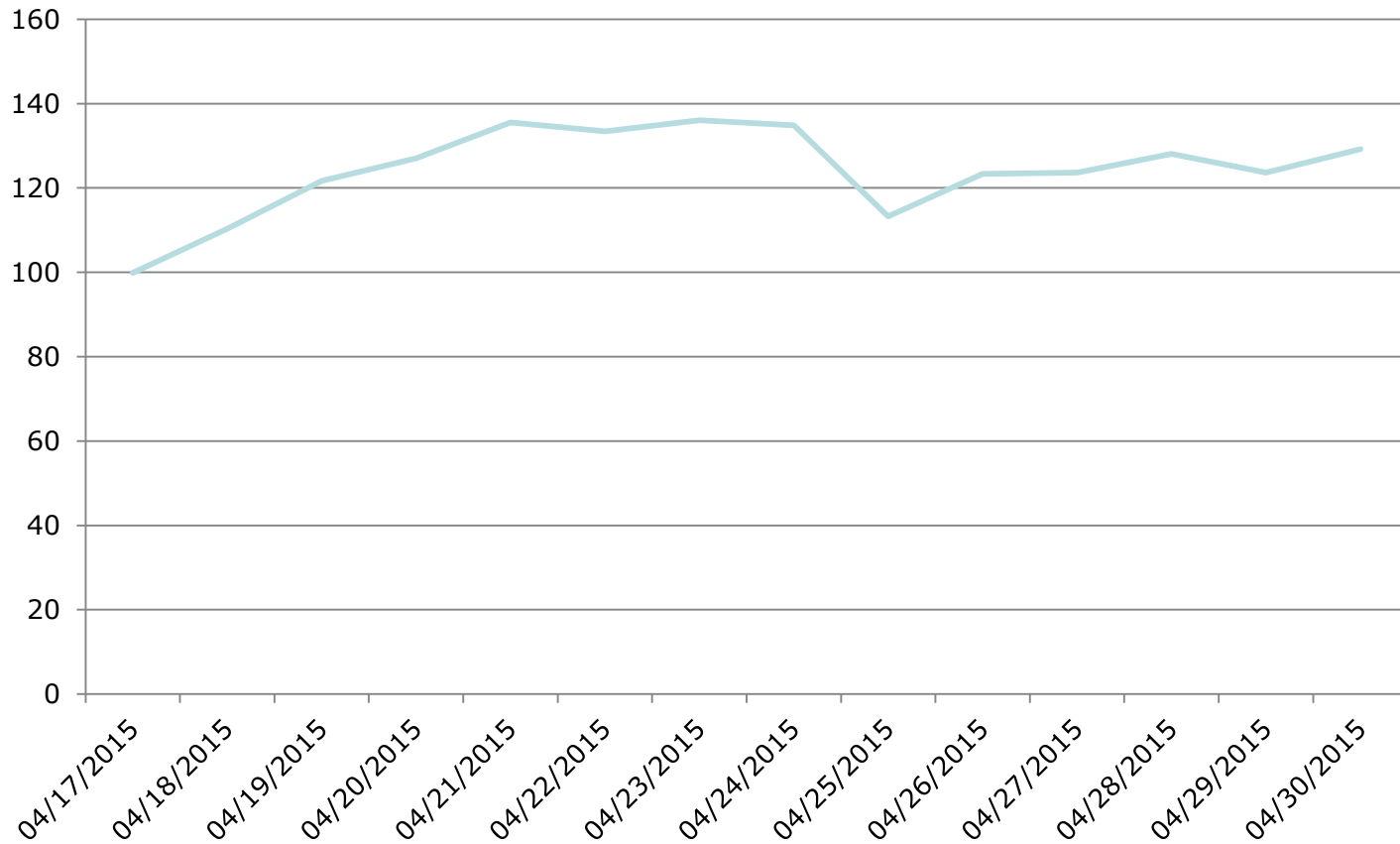
>130°F avg pile temp for at least 3 days





Chickens

Average Windrow Temperature



Turkeys

- Piles constructed in barns
- Very tight operating area for equipment
- Turkeys ranged from 4oz to 70lbs



Turkeys

Pile construction



Exposed birds

Turkeys



Turkeys

Leachate





Turkeys

Underperformance





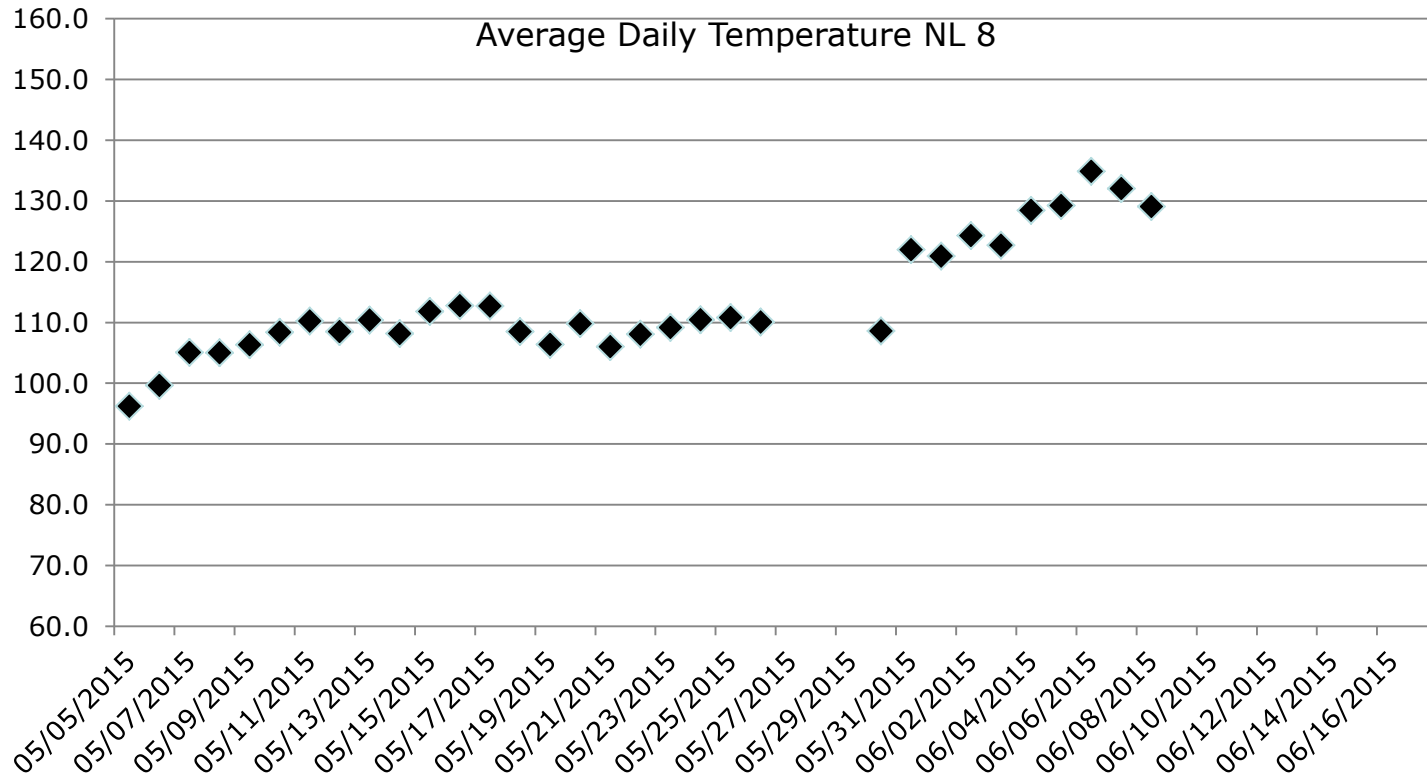
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Vectors





Turkeys



Turkeys

- Base
 - Animal
- Tissue Density
- Moisture
 - Cap
 - Other factors



Turkeys

Base



Turkeys

Animal Tissue Density



Turkeys

Moisture



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Cap





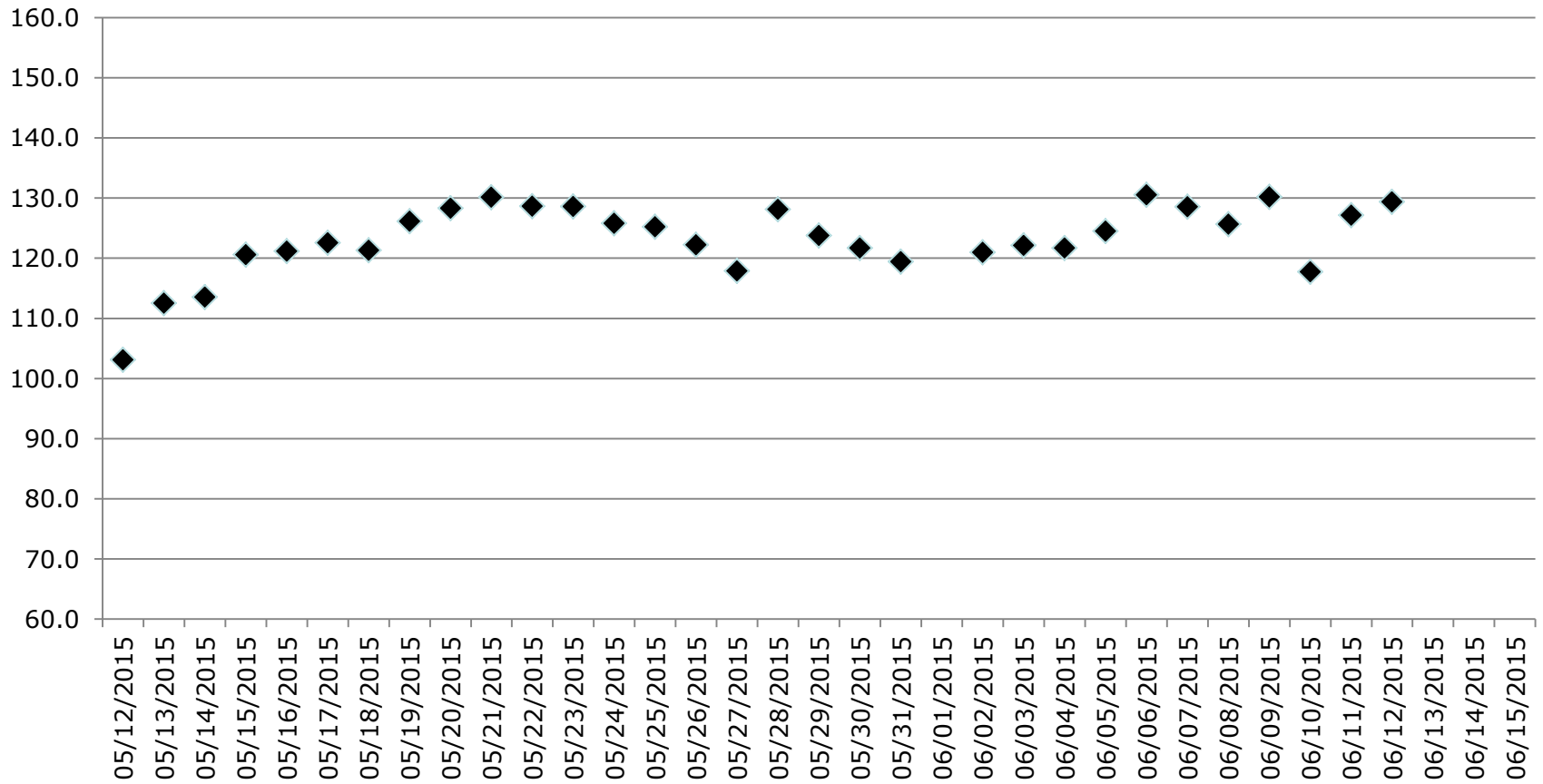
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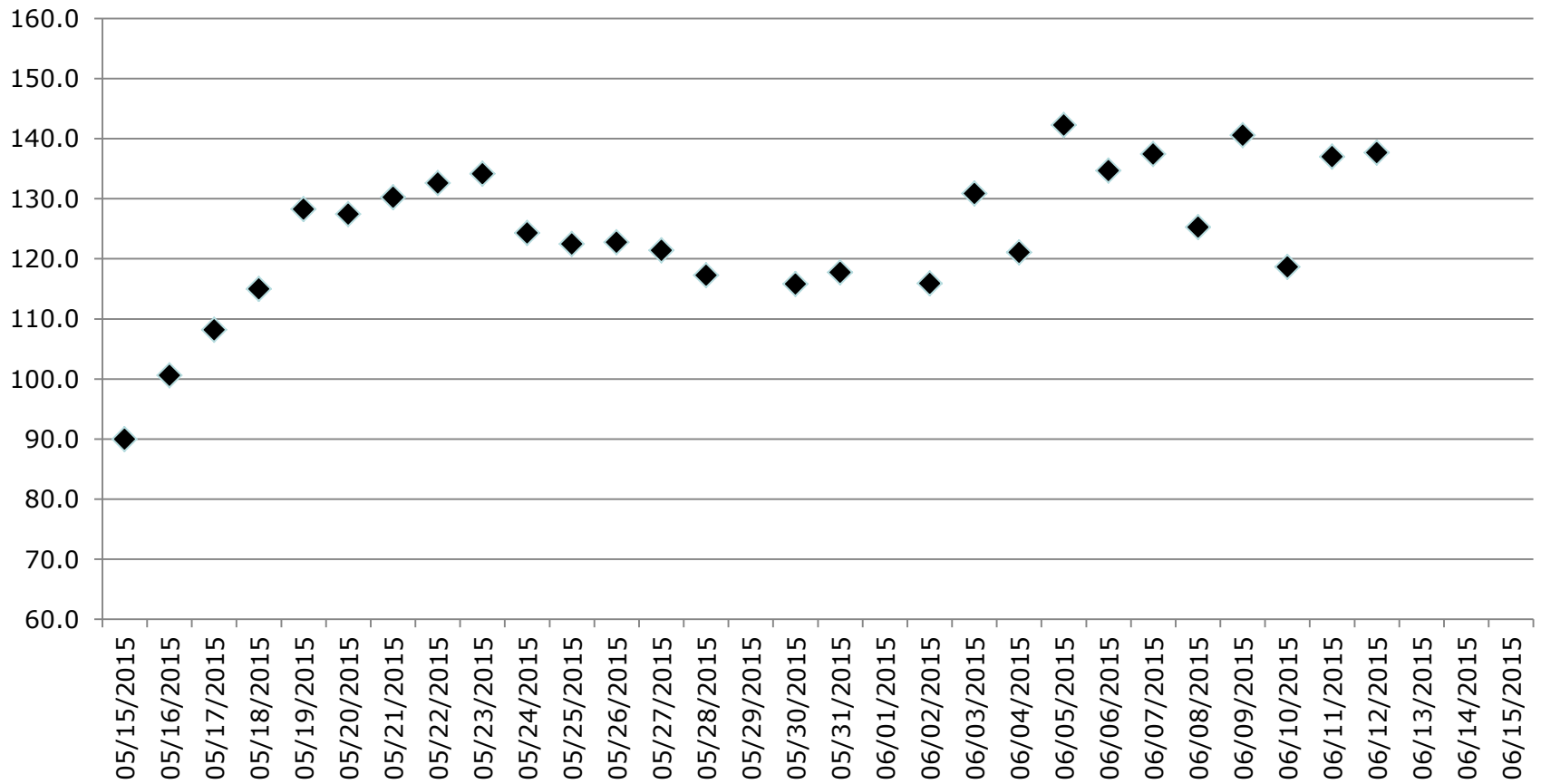


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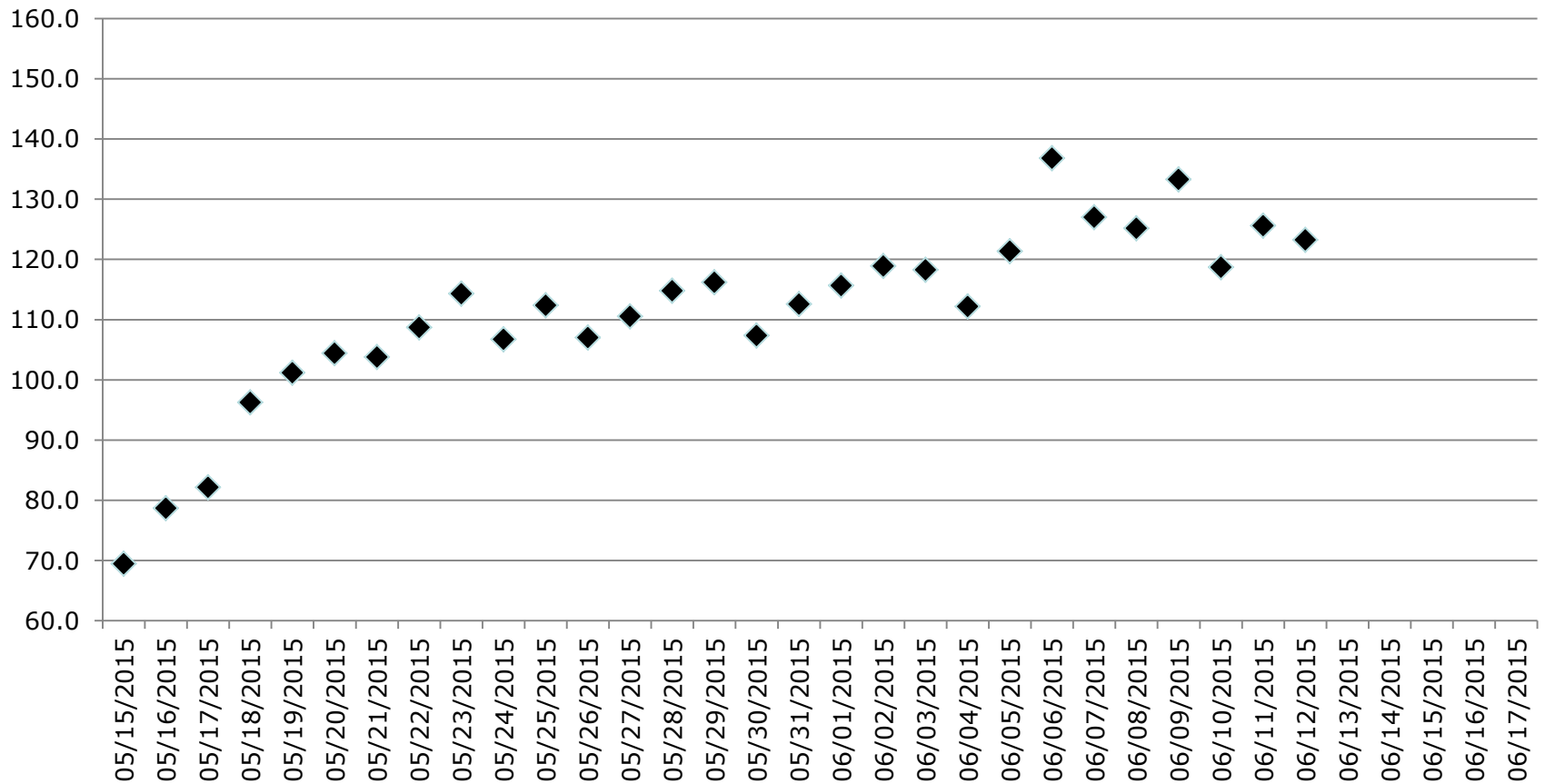
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Turkeys

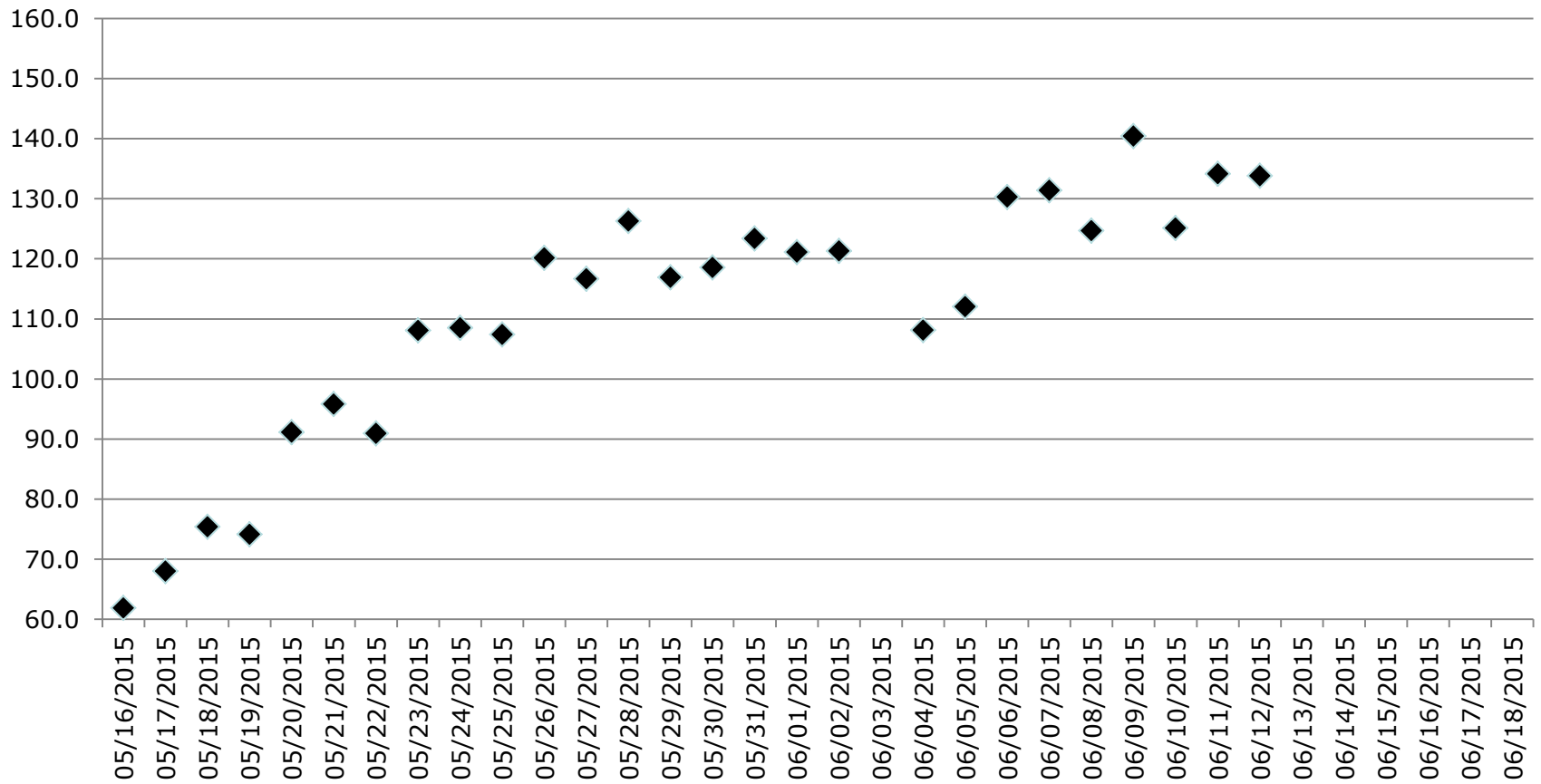
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Turkeys

Average Daily Temperature NW14





Issues to be addressed

Authorities

Virus thresholds?

In-barn vs outdoors?

The “Pretty Piles” mindset

Optimizing available carbon usage

Questions?

