



Poultry Update

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- National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) Participants as of June 30, 2020:
 - Commercial hatcheries and breeding flock facilities (74), Commercial slaughter plants, egg layer facilities, upland gamebird facilities (42)
 - Backyard poultry facilities (93), Poultry dealers (255), Live bird markets (3)
- MPTL Testing:
 - Avian Influenza surveillance tests FY19 – 67,614; FY20 – 66,234
 - Mycoplasma surveillance tests FY19 – 118,708; FY20 – 129,464
 - Salmonella surveillance tests FY19 – 4,993; FY20 – 6,120
- 825 Authorized Poultry Testing Agents certified



Poultry and Mycoplasma Rule Change

- Rule change became official December 4, 2019
- Removes Mycoplasma testing and classification requirements for backyard turkey hatcheries, breeder flocks and hobbyists
- Mycoplasma testing and classification requirements remain for commercial turkey hatcheries and breeding flocks
- Rule change applies to turkeys, poults, and turkey hatching eggs, removes Mycoplasma import/sale/exhibition requirements for backyard turkey producers and hobbyists
- Definitions for commercial egg-type chicken, commercial meat-type chicken and commercial turkey were created



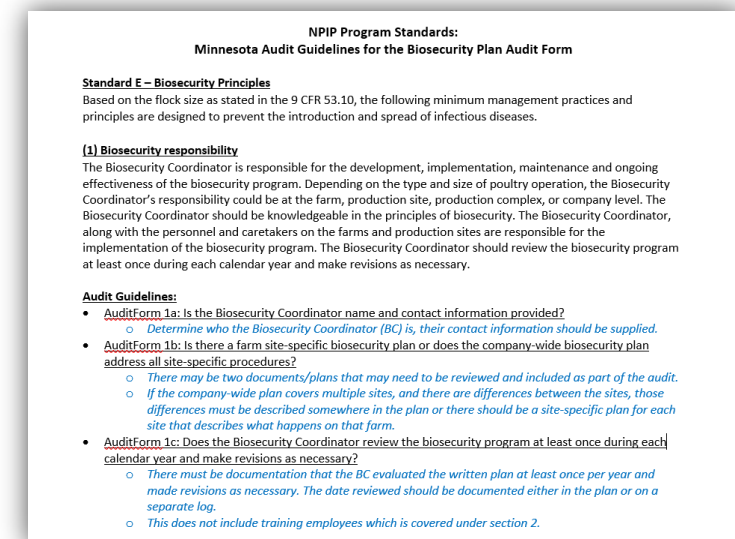
Pullorum-Typhoid Antigen

- National shortage of Pullorum Stained Antigen used for testing poultry for Pullorum-Typhoid (P-T) Disease
- National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP) requested States to come up with a contingency plan to address the shortage
- Board did not relax rules that apply to P-T testing
- Antigen tested monthly at MPTL to validate efficacy
- While shortage continues, other testing options being explored



Other Poultry Activities

- HPAI H7N3 in South Carolina -> Producers encouraged to review biosecurity plans and avoid a repeat HPAI in 2015
 - Board website reminders: “Knowing The Signs”, “Reporting What You’re Seeing”, “Submitting Samples for Testing” and “Preventing Exposure by following your Biosecurity Plan.”
- NPIP Biosecurity Plan Audits
 - 51 biosecurity plans audited and rated satisfactory in FY20
 - 130 biosecurity plans audited and rated satisfactory (to date)
- Minnesota Plan
 - Internal final review before sending to USDA-APHIS-VS for approval





Questions?