

## State of Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry

Kevin Stitt Governor Blayne Arthur Secretary of Agriculture

May 1, 2022

To: All poultry producers, poultry associations and poultry exhibition venues

Re: Poultry exhibition, public sales, and swap meet ban within Oklahoma

Based on Authority given to the State Veterinarian in 2 O.S. §,6-2, I hereby ban all poultry exhibition, public sales and swap meets until further notice.

The purpose of this ban is to allow Oklahoma Department of Agriculture, Food, and Forestry time to assess the scope and range of Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza in the region surrounding Oklahoma as well as halt any potential spread of virus within our state. It is essential to stop commingling of poultry species while Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza is circulating in both wild birds and domestic poultry species.

This ban will end July 30, 2022 unless evidence shows that it should be extended.

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