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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE ANIMAL SERVICES DIVISION

ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER 03-10: EXOTIC NEWCASTLE DISEASE - CALIFORNIA

1. <u>Title and its heading:</u> 3, Agriculture

<u>Chapter and its heading:</u>
2, Department of Agriculture
Animal Services Division

Section numbers: R3-2-602, R3-2-603, R3-2-605, R3-2-606, R3-2-611, R3-2-617,

and R3-2-618

2. PURPOSE

To prevent the spread of exotic Newcastle disease within the state of Arizona.

3. AUTHORITY

A.R.S. § 3-1203(A) General powers and duties; civil penalties

A.R.S. § 3-1205 Control of animal diseases; violation; classification

9 CFR Part 82 Subpart A Exotic Newcastle Disease ("END")

4. APPLICABILITY

This Order supplements *Arizona Administrative Code*, Title 3, Chapter 2, Article 6, Health Requirements Governing Admission of Animals, and applies to all avian species, commercial traffic originating from a quarantine area in California, and to bird exhibits, shows, auctions, public displays, and competitions in Arizona.

5. ORDER

A. Area under quarantine. The area under quarantine includes all portions of counties in California currently declared or in the future declared to be under quarantine for END by that state or by the U.S. Department of Agriculture ("USDA"), Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service ("APHIS").

In California, those portions of the following counties listed at 68 FR 45744 – 45745, August 4, 2003 are under quarantine as of the date of this Order:

- Kern County,
- b. Los Angeles County,
- c. Orange County,
- d. Riverside County,
- e. San Bernadino County, and
- f. Ventura County.
- B. Items under restriction. Birds, poultry, poultry waste, vehicles, and materials or used appliances that could transmit END.
- C. Items not under restriction. Poultry meat products produced under USDA inspection or equivalent Arizona inspection are exempt from the list of items under restriction. Vehicles transporting any poultry meat products are required to be clean of materials that could transport END. Such vehicles exiting California may be subject to inspection at an Arizona Port-of-Entry.
- D. A live bird of any type, including poultry, may not be moved from an area under quarantine into Arizona unless permission is granted by the Arizona Department of Agriculture and the owner of the bird has complied with a protocol established by the USDA and approved by the Department.
- E. A dead bird of any type, eggs, material, including poultry waste or used appliances that could transmit END, may not be moved from an area under quarantine into Arizona. An exemption is made for:

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- 1. Eggs that meet the requirements of 9 CFR 82.8, including washing, sanitizing, and packing in new material, or
- 2. Poultry waste that meets a protocol established by the USDA and approved by the Department.
- F. Equipment used for processing eggs, or for housing, feeding, watering, entertaining, or otherwise caring for birds of any type may only be moved from an area under quarantine if accompanied by a certificate signed by a state, tribal, or federal animal health official stating that the equipment has been cleaned and disinfected according to a protocol established by the USDA.
- G. A commercial vehicle originating from an area under quarantine in:

California that is transporting feed or eggs must stop at an Arizona Port-of-Entry inspection station located in Yuma (I-8), Ehrenberg (I-10), or Parker (SR 95) and provide the state inspector proof of the cleaning and disinfection of the vehicle, trailer, and packing material performed immediately prior to the loading of the vehicle. This proof must be provided in writing and demonstrate that the cleaning and disinfection was performed according to a protocol established by the USDA. A copy of a compliance agreement between the USDA and an egg processor or feed manufacturer or distributor will satisfy the proof requirement.

H. A noncommercial vehicle of any type transporting a bird from:

California shall stop at an Arizona Port-of-Entry inspection station located in Yuma (I-8), Ehrenberg (I-10), or Parker (SR 95) and provide the state inspector:

- 1. An original health certificate issued by an accredited veterinarian within thirty days prior to entry stating the birds are healthy and do not originate from a quarantine area. Photocopies of health certificates must have an original veterinarian signature; or
- 2. Proof of compliance with the requirements established in paragraph D.
- I. A promoter of a poultry or bird event in Arizona shall immediately inform the State Veterinarian by mail, fax, or e-mail of a scheduled event. The notification shall include the contact name, mailing address, physical location of the event, and daytime telephone number.
- J. Birds from an area under quarantine are not to be included in an event of any type held in Arizona. A promoter of an event in Arizona shall inform the event participants in writing of this Order, the current quarantine for exotic Newcastle disease, and the risk of introducing that disease into Arizona. The promoter shall require each event participant to attest in writing that they are not in violation of this Order. The signed document shall be forwarded to the State Veterinarian within one week of the conclusion of the event. If a participant advises the promoter that he or she is in violation of the Order, the promoter shall immediately call the office of the State Veterinarian at (602) 542-4293.

6. IMPLEMENTATION

This Order cancels Director's Administrative Order 03-09 and is effective as of August 4, 2003 and remains in effect until cancelled.