

**Joint Informational Briefing on Avian Influenza for
Assembly Committees on Agriculture, Health, and Water, Parks & Wildlife**

October 4, 2005

11:00 – 12:30 State Capitol, Room 4202

Agenda

- 11:00 Welcome and Introductions – Jim Collin
Brief overview.
Historic perspective - differences between and safeguards in California poultry; movement of the H5N1 strain and why.
Preparedness – testing of wild birds; education and activities by state, federal and universities.
- 11:05 UCD - Dr. Christian Sandrock (human health/infectious disease)
Discuss the history of Avian influenza and the educate the infectious and aggressive nature of H5N1
- 11:15 UCD – Dr. Walter Boyce (wild bird/animal health)
Discuss the progress of the H5N1 strain through waterfowl and their movements; (moving into preparedness issues) testing of waterfowl in California and by others from Alaska south.
- 11:25 UCD – Dr. Carol Cardona (poultry specialist coop extension)
Discuss the differences in growing and handling of poultry in the California and the US compared to Asian countries, sharing why we have a save product with many safeguards to protect human health.
- 11:35 CDFA – Dr. Richard Breitmeyer, California State Veterinarian
Discuss the actions CDFA has taken to prepare including working with the Federal authorities. Cover other activities that have occurred to address foreign animal disease and the department's experience in handling such occurrences.
- 11:45 UCD – Dr. Warner Hudson (human health/emergency) or Dr. Christian Sanrock (human health/infectious disease)
Discuss what has been done and what needs to be done to be prepared to address and handle a pandemic.
- 11:55 Questions and Answers – Jim Collin to moderate.
- 12:30 End

