**October 30 FBCC Disease Alert Summary**

**1. Quebec**

**ILT, MG and MS in Lanaudière** **small backyard flock**

On Oct. 11, Infectious laryngotracheitis (ILT), Mycoplasma gallisepticum (MG) and Mycoplasma synoviae (MS) was diagnosed in a small backyard flock in Saint-Félix-de-Valois in Lanaudière. There is an epidemiological link to a commercial poultry farm. This is the same area that experienced an extended outbreak of ILT in commercial poultry flocks several months ago.

**2. Ontario**

**ILT Biosecurity Advisory Area in eastern Norfolk County still in place**

The broiler chicken farm continues to rigorously apply recommended vaccination and clean up protocols under veterinary oversight. No other poultry farms in risk area have reported health concerns. FBCC is projecting that the Advisory will be lifted in late November.

**3.** **California**

**Virulent Newcastle Disease Update: Transition to “Freedom of Disease” Phase**

On October 22, the CDFA/USDA vND response team started the “Freedom of Disease” phase of the disease response.A sufficient number of negative vND tests from the surveillance area will help meet international standards to demonstrate freedom from vND and allow the regional quarantine to be lifted. This phase will take place over the next few months, bearing in mind that if any positives are found, it would potentially create a setback to this process.

Saving human and animal lives in the face of the massive fire outbreaks in California has resulted in mandatory evacuation orders that have priority over vND quarantine requirements prohibiting bird movement. Attempts are being made to minimize the disease threat to other birds, in addition to the birds that are being moved.

There have been no new positive detections of VND since early September, but the [Regional Quarantine](https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/pdfs/VND_RegionalQuarantine_1.pdf) is still in place. Since May 18, 2018, USDA has confirmed 451 premises in California and 2 premises in neighbouring states as infected with vND.

**4. Mexico**

**High Path Avian Influenza (H7N3) outbreak continues**

Oct. 11 - A high mortality situation was reported in six backyard flocks in the State of Jalisco. H7N3 virus has been again isolated. The culling of all birds, and the disposal of carcasses, products and waste has been completed. From March to September 2019 there have been 31 flocks infected in 11 different states: 23 in back yard flocks and 8 in large commercial flocks- layers, light breeders and meat birds.