

Dr. Tom Baker announces his retirement from FBCC

GUELPH, ON – December 22, 2022 – After 10 years, Dr. Tom Baker has made the decision to retire from his position as Incident Commander with the Feather Board Command Centre (FBCC), effective December 31, 2022. Dr. Baker has made tremendous contributions to FBCC since its inception in 2003. The Ontario poultry industry is thankful for his leadership and knowledge over the years.

“We owe Tom a huge debt of gratitude for all of his work, especially during this past year which has not been easy. We will miss him,” said Ingrid DeVisser, FBCC Chair.

With this decision, the FBCC Recruitment Committee faced the task of finding the right individual to step into the leadership role left vacant by Dr. Baker.

As a result, Dr. Harold Kloeze will join FBCC as Executive Director on a part-time basis and Maggy Watson will transition to Operations Lead on a full-time basis. Dr. Kloeze and Maggy will work together to make certain that all requirements of the FBCC are met. Dr. Kloeze joins FBCC after 20 years in CFIA in various roles related to animal health, disease management and emergency preparedness.

“The Feather Board Command Centre looks forward to working under the expertise of Dr. Kloeze and we are confident that his knowledge will guide us in the right direction,” said DeVisser. “We are certain that his experience will be of great benefit to the poultry sector.”

