



## Volunteer Your Flock for Avian Influenza Testing



The Washington State Department of Agriculture's (WSDA) Avian Health Program is looking for owners of backyard poultry flocks to participate in the Avian Influenza (AI) (also known as "bird flu") Testing Program.

### How will the testing be done?

Volunteers will have 10 of their birds swabbed for AI, or a dozen eggs will be collected. Testing will occur twice a year.

### What kind of flocks will be tested?

The WSDA will be testing flocks that best meet the following requirements:

- Located close to commercial poultry, waterfowl refuges, or within major wildfowl flyways.
- Multiple poultry species on premises with access to waterfowl or upland game birds.
- Flocks in locations where H5 or H7 avian influenza has been found in wild waterfowl (i.e. Whatcom, Skagit, Clark, Yakima and Grant County).

### How much does testing cost?

WSDA will pay for the costs associated with AI testing.

### Interested in participating in the Avian Influenza Testing Program?

Call the WSDA's Avian Health Hotline at 1-800-606-3056 or email [lbadoe@agr.wa.gov](mailto:lbadoe@agr.wa.gov). The Avian Health Hotline can also be used to report sick or dead birds, or to get more information about avian influenza.

**LET YOUR FLOCK GIVE A WARNING SQUAWK;  
HELP KEEP WASHINGTON'S POULTRY HEALTHY!**

