

Poultry and Dairy Update

On May 1, MDRAD released information regarding HPAI in Michigan poultry and dairy. Currently the order does not impact the Van Buren Youth Fair. The board of directors will be working to create alternative plans in case they are needed. Exhibitors are encouraged to continue with their poultry projects, if the ban would be extended and affect the Van Buren Youth Fair, the board of directors will communicate any changes.

At this time, the poultry portion of the SMAC Spring Show is cancelled on May 18. The rabbit, goat and cavies/lab animals parts will continue as planned for the SMAC Spring Show. Watch for information regarding poultry education at the SMAC Spring Show.

MDRAD information, effective May 8:

- All exhibitions or expositions of poultry are prohibited until such time that there are no new cases of HPAI in domestic poultry in the State of Michigan for at least 30 consecutive days.
- All lactating dairy cattle, and those in the last two months of pregnancy, are prohibited from being exhibited until there are no new cases of HPAI in dairy cattle in the State of Michigan for at least 60 consecutive days. No dairy cattle of any age from an infected premises may be exhibited until further notice.