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**Subject: CA H5N1 Avian Influenza – Ban on California Poultry Exhibitions at Fairs**

**2025 Ventura County Fair poultry show decision will be made on May 1st**

Due to the ongoing statewide ban on poultry shows currently in place by the State of California, the Ventura County Fair has decided that the poultry show scheduled for this year will be re-evaluated on May 1, 2025. The Fair's decision on whether to proceed with the event will be made based on the status of the ban at that time.

The Fairgrounds understands how important the poultry show is to our exhibitors and the community, and we remain committed to ensuring the safety and well-being of all participants. If the state's poultry show ban is lifted by May 1st, the Fair will host the event as scheduled. If the ban remains in effect, the poultry show will be officially canceled for 2025. In the circumstance that we are unable to hold the show, there will be alternative opportunities for poultry exhibitors.

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