



CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF  
FOOD & AGRICULTURE

Karen Ross, Secretary

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## CDFA Announces Release of Virulent Newcastle Disease Regional Quarantine

Dear Hatchery Manager:

Effective June 1, 2020, California Department of Food and Agriculture (CDFA) has released the Virulent Newcastle Disease (vND) Regional Quarantine following successful completion of the Freedom of Disease Testing phase. Poultry suppliers, including hatcheries, may resume normal shipments of poultry, hatching eggs, and other poultry products to Southern California as of June 1, 2020. State-wide entry regulations and local ordinances for poultry and poultry products still apply.

CDFA instituted the vND Regional Quarantine in February 2019 to prevent further spread of disease following a surge of new cases. The quarantine restricted movement of poultry and poultry products into, out of, and within the most severely affected counties: Los Angeles, San Bernardino, and Riverside. Subsequently, the United States Postal Service (USPS) imposed a "no-ship zone" and disallowed shipments of all live birds or hatching/embryonated eggs into or out of zip codes 90000-93599 in California. USPS has been notified that shipments may resume.

To promote responsible restocking of poultry and encourage ongoing biosecurity, CDFA has created the California Avian Health Education Network (CAHEN). CAHEN will offer outreach educational materials and activities, including biosecurity training, for the California poultry community. If you would like educational materials, please visit: [cdfa.ca.gov/go/AvianHealth](http://cdfa.ca.gov/go/AvianHealth) or call 909-947-4462 .

Thank you for providing healthy poultry to our Southern California flock owners.

Sincerely,

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California Department of Food and Agriculture

