

**Ontario Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs**

## **PREVENT THE SPREAD OF AVIAN INFLUENZA WITH PROPER DEADSTOCK MANAGEMENT**

Poor management of deadstock (of any species) draws scavengers like turkey vultures, coyotes and foxes to your farm. Diseases including High Pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) can be brought onto your farm by both avian and other scavengers.

Proper deadstock management and biosecurity practices reduce the risk of disease spreading to your farm, spreading to wildlife or disease spreading to your neighbour's farms.

### **REMEMBER:**

- Do not cross contaminate clothing or equipment when handling deadstock.
- Do not leave any deadstock directly outside your barn; move it directly to your deadstock disposal site to prevent scavengers from accessing it and potentially spreading the virus.

If you see scavengers on your property, your disposal site is **not** being managed properly.

### **LEARN MORE:**

Visit these websites for deadstock disposal tips to reduce the spread of HPAI:

#### **Deadstock Disposal Guidance**

<http://www.omafra.gov.on.ca/english/livestock/deadstock/index.html>

#### **Poultry Industry Council Biosecurity Measures**

<https://www.poultryindustrycouncil.ca/resources/biosecurity-and-disease>

#### **Ontario Pork's Deadstock Disposal Methods**

[http://ontariopork.on.ca/Portals/0/Docs/Resources/On%20Farm%20Emergency/Fact%20Sheet\\_DeadstockDisposalMethods\\_Final\\_Sept212021.pdf?ver=2021-09-21-123446-140](http://ontariopork.on.ca/Portals/0/Docs/Resources/On%20Farm%20Emergency/Fact%20Sheet_DeadstockDisposalMethods_Final_Sept212021.pdf?ver=2021-09-21-123446-140)