

30-60-90 Report
Ministry of Agriculture and Food (AF)
Submitted for: December 1, 2023

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Avian Influenza (AI)	<p>As of November 28th AI has been confirmed in 48 Infected Premises (IPs) in B.C. (152 since IPs since April 2022). All IPs except 3 detected since October 20th are commercial poultry in the Fraser Valley including the cities of Langley, Surrey, Chilliwack and Abbotsford. The Ministry Lab is currently providing AI testing services to meet the needs of the industry and the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and is open 7 days a week.</p> <p>To reduce the risk of the virus spreading, the B.C.'s Chief Veterinarian issued an order on October 20, 2023 requiring all regulated, quota-holding chicken and turkey operations to maintain indoor operations. On October 27, 2023, a second order was issued requiring birds not to be taken to commingling events such as auctions, poultry swaps, bird shows, fairs and so forth. https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/industry/agriculture-seafood/animals-and-crops/animal-health/reportable-notifiable-diseases/avian-influenza-ai</p> <p>Although the risk to humans is low, the ministry is also working with public health officials from the BCCDC and Fraser Health to ensure that poultry producers are informed of their safety responsibilities as employers.</p> <p>November 8th News Release: https://news.gov.bc.ca/releases/2023AF0059-001746</p>

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Release of Sector Snapshot documents	Five Sector Snapshot documents will be released on the Ministry's statistics and publications webpage in mid - December. Sector Snapshots are 1-page documents highlighting the key data from the prior year on Agriculture, Seafood, Food and Beverage Manufacturing, Exports and an overall snapshot document covering all 4 sectors.
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Thu Dec 14 1:00- 1:05 PM	Avian Influenza update: MINISTRY IB ONLY: Provincewide info bulletin updating latest number of cases, what B.C. is doing to help, info on upcoming webinar. <i>Significance:</i> B.C. experienced largest outbreak in history in 2022 and the disease continues to impact farms across North America. Fall migration is the expected time for the virus to spike.	Information Bulletin	AF-115787 Brian Cotton updated 2 days ago

January 2024

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Mon Jan 8 2024 Time TBD	Buy BC: Announce next round of funding to support BC agriculture and seafood products: MINISTRY NR ONLY (TENTATIVE DATE): The next round of Buy BC funding opens on January 8, 2024. <i>Significance:</i> The Buy BC Partnership Program provides \$2M per year over the next three years to help eligible applicants with their marketing efforts using the Buy BC logo on their products or promotional materials. (Results)	News Release	AF-115644 Jillian Hunt updated 1 hour ago
Jan 9 2024-Jan 23 2024 TBC	s. 20	Key Messages, News Release, Q&As	AF-115788 Brian Cotton updated 2 days ago
Fri Jan 12 2024 9:30-9:35 AM	Abbotsford - Minister Alexis to speak at the Mainland Milk Producers Association AGM in Abbotsford: SPEECH/REMARKS ONLY: Remarks to association members who represent some of the smallest and largest farms in the province. <i>Significance:</i> The Mainland Milk Producers Association represents about 350 dairy farmers in the Fraser Valley, a region that accounts for almost 70 percent of the milk produced in B.C.	Speaking Notes	AF-115792 Dave Townsend updated yesterday
Sun Jan 14 2024 Time TBD	s. 13	News Release	AF-115353 Robert Boelens updated 1 week ago
Jan 22 2024-Jan 26 2024 TBC	s. 20	Information Bulletin	AF-115497 Jillian Hunt updated 1 week ago
Jan 25 2024-Jan 27 2024	Abbotsford - Lower Mainland Horticultural Conference (January 25-27, 2024): FYI ONLY: Focus on fruit, veg and field crops. Conference is delivered by the B.C. Ministry of Agriculture and Food in partnership with the Lower Mainland Horticultural Improvement Association and the Pacific Agriculture Show. Funding for the conference is provided in part by the governments of Canada and British Columbia. Conference provides producers latest research, farming, marketing info. <i>Significance:</i> Support for food producers to remain competitive, efficient and contributors to BC's food supply and economy		AF-114810 Robert Boelens updated 2 months ago
Jan 29 2024-Feb 2 2024 TBC	s. 20	News Release, Q&As, Speaking Notes	AF-115800 Dave Townsend updated yesterday

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Feb 2 2024- Feb 16 2024 TBC	s. 20	News Release	AF-115938 Dave Townsend updated 1 minute ago
Tue Feb 13 2 024	Canada's Agriculture Day: FYI ONLY: Celebrating Canada's agriculture industry and promoting strong, sustainable, and resilient Canadian food system. NOTE: No ministry statement planned but PS Dykeman and others may share post on social media. <i>Significance:</i> Opportunity to highlight government supports and investment in food security.	Digital Content	AF-115783 Robert Boelens updated 2 days ago