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Dear

REQUEST FOR INFORMATION: Avian Influenza culling information

Thank you for your request for information of 18th May about Avian Influenza culling information. APHA have handled your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA).

AIV2022/169, 4030 killed by Cervical Dislocation, Near Northallerton, Hambleton, North Yorkshire.

Point to Note: The North Yorkshire location reference provided in the request is incorrect, AIV2022/169 is a premises in Aberdeen, Scotland. The information supplied is on the address supplied above.

Please could you tell me:

a. "The number of people involved in culling the birds at each site."

This information is not held by APHA as it was not recorded.

b. "The duration of each cull."

This was a 4-day cull.

"c. The species of bird culled, including whether culled chickens were layers or broilers.2

Laying hens.

AIV2021/17, 2700 killed by Cervical dislocation, "Near Silecroft, Coopland, Cumbria."

a. "The number of people involved in culling the birds at each site."

Nine people were involved.

b. "The duration of each cull."

APHA is an Executive Agency of the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs and also works on behalf of the Scottish Government, Welsh Government and Food Standards Agency to safeguard animal and plant health for the benefit of people, the environment and the economy.

This was a 2-day Cull.

c. "The species of bird culled, including whether culled chickens were layers or broilers."

All 2700 hens were layers.

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Yours sincerely

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