



PUBLIC INFORMATION

ITEM NO. 1

DATE OF MEETING: September 14, 2015

REQUESTED BY: Mark Seitz, Pender County Extension Director

SHORT TITLE: Avian Influenza Information Update

BACKGROUND: Avian influenza (AI) is a highly virulent flu virus affecting poultry across the US and may become a problem for poultry producers on the East coast as the fall bird migration begins. The NC Department of Agriculture has issued a mandatory registration of poultry flocks, large and small, to be able to quickly disseminate information to producers about protecting birds or properly disposing of birds if to producers in the case AI reaches the area. Commissioners will receive a brief update of what is expected if AI infects birds here and the potential impact on Pender County's poultry industry.