EMERGENCY ACTION CHECKLIST

First 72 Hours of High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) Detection

Notice to Grower / Integrator: This checklist outlines the immediate, mandatory operational, regulatory, and financial steps required during the initial 72 hours following a presumptive or confirmed High Pathogenicity Avian Influenza (HPAI) detection on your premises.

[G] **Grower Responsibility** | [I] **Integrator Responsibility** | [R] **Regulatory Body Responsibility**

PHASE 1: HOURS 0 – 12 | IMMEDIATE LOCKDOWN, QUARANTINE & COMMAND STRUCTURE

🔴 CRITICAL RESPONSE

🔒 Official Quarantine & Access Control

- [ ] [R] **Issue Hold Order / Quarantine:** Comply immediately with the official Hold Order issued by State Animal Health Officials.
- [ ] [G] [I] **Restrict Property Movement:** Ensure no live birds, eggs, feed, litter, equipment, or unauthorized personnel enter or leave the premises without official State/USDA permits.
- [ ] [G] **Lock Down Boundary Points:** Lock down all access points across the farm's Perimeter Buffer Area (PBA) and Line of Separation (LOS).
- [ ] [G] **Activate Entry Logs:** Establish and maintain formal entry logbooks at all designated access points.

✚ Diagnostics & Incident Command

- [ ] [R] **Submit Diagnostic Samples:** Overnight diagnostic samples immediately to the USDA National Veterinary Services Laboratories (NVSL) Ames, Iowa for reference confirmation.
- [ ] [G] [I] [R] **Initiate Immediate Action:** Begin response actions, quarantine protocols, and depopulation planning immediately upon receivi a presumptive local PCR positive result.
- [ ] [G] [I] **Establish Contact with Case Manager:** Connect with the assigned Case Manager and Field Reimbursement Specialist.
- [ ] [G] [I] [R] **Facilitate Official Oversight:** Coordinate with regulatory personnel for house numbers, flock size and indemnity requirements.

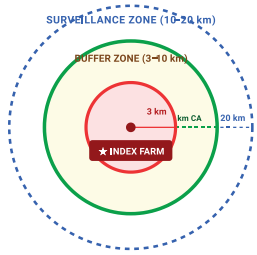
PHASE 2: HOURS 12 – 48 | RAPID DEPOPULATION & CONTAINMENT ACTION

⚡ 24–48 HR MANDATE

⏱ Depopulation Execution

- [ ] [G] [I] [R] **Adhere to 24–48 Hour Mandate:** Plan to complete full flock depopulation within 24 to 48 hours of confirmation to prevent viral shedding and environmental spread.
- [ ] [G] [I] **Perform Depopulation:** Utilize approved humane depopulation methods.

📍 Geographic Zoning & Tracing



● CONTROL AREA (10 KM / 6.2 MI TOTAL RADIUS) — INFECTED + BUFFER

● INFECTED ZONE
0 – 3 km (1.8 mi): Minimum 3 km radius surrounding infected index farm. High-density testing & permits required for poultry movement.

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● BUFFER ZONE
3 – 10 km (6.2 mi): Extends from 3 km to 10 km radius. Targeted active surveillance, permits required for poultry movement.

● SURVEILLANCE ZONE (10 –20 KM / 6.2 – 12.4 MI)
Outer zone extending outside the Control Area up to 20 km. Targeted active surveillance and permitting oversight for commercial operations.

- [ ] [G] [I] [R] **Complete Epidemiological Tracing:** Participate in tracing interviews with Federal/State epidemiologists to document all movements of birds, feed, eggs, rendering, equipment, contractors, and farm personnel for the **14 days prior** to infected premises testing positive.

PHASE 3: HOURS 48– 72 | FINANCIAL ELECTIONS, AUDITS & DISPOSAL SETUP — $ FINANCIAL DEADLINE

$ Inventory & Indemnity

☐ [G] [I] [R] **Complete Inventory Audit:** Participate in USDA inventory audit to calculate fair market valuation for Indemnity.

Note: Indemnity strictly covers live birds destroyed under official order; birds that died naturally prior to the depopulation order are excluded b law.

USDA Financial Election (72-Hour Deadline)

Submit Formal Written Election: Select and declare one of the two USDA financial structures within 72 hours of completing depopulation:

Option A: Flat Rate Payment Structure

- All-inclusive, per-head lump sum for Depopulation & Disposal (D&D).
- Per-square-foot rate for Virus Elimination (VE).
- Gives Integrator full autonomy over labor and contractor spending.

Option B: Detailed Financial Plan (DFP)

- Actual cost reimbursement requiring line-item pre-approval from USDA for all equipment rentals, labor hours, and contractor quotes prior to incurring costs.

Important: *Choosing or declining the Flat Rate option is a binding choice and cannot be re-elected later for this outbreak response.*

Disposal Strategy

☐ [G] [I] [R] **Obtain Disposal Approval:** Secure formal approval from State Animal Health Official for the carcass and litter disposal strategy.

SUMMARY: GROWER / INTEGRATOR OPERATIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES

Action Item	Responsible Party / Requirement	Completed?
Site Access	Provide immediate, safe access for responders, appraisers, and oversight personnel.	☐
Official Staging Support & Turnkey Execution	Supply basic facility support (portable restrooms, clean staging area, PPE disposal) for government managers on premises. If Flat Rate is selected, source, deploy, and manage all depopulation equipment, response personnel, PPE, and initial composting/disposal supplies upfront.	☐ ☐
Company Site Manager / Line of Separation (LOS) Monitoring	Assign dedicated company attendants at the LOS to enforce decontamination and maintain complete visitor/vehicle logbooks.	☐
Financial Declaration Submission	File formal written choice (Flat Rate vs. DFP) with the USDA prior to the 72-hour deadline post-depopulation.	☐

Officially Designated Personnel — MATRIX

- **State Animal Health Officials** [R]
  State regulatory authority responsible for issuing official Hold Orders, establishing quarantine boundaries, defining response zones, and maintaining regulatory authority across the state.
- **Company Site Manager / Line of Separation Monitor** [I]
  Designated integrator lead responsible for on-site execution, managing site access, enforcing biosecurity decontamination, and maintaining vehicle/visitor logs at the Line of Separation after depopulation.
- **Case Manager** [R]
  Primary regulatory point of contact for response coordination, site access, and biosecurity oversight. Maintains lead authority over the Biosecurity Line until depopulation is complete.
- **Field Reimbursement Specialist** [R]
  USDA financial officer who coordinates indemnity setup, conducts inventory audits, verifies valuations, and processes formal financial election agreements (Flat Rate vs. DFP).