NJ Department of Environmental Protection NJ Department of Agriculture Health Monitoring of New Jersey Game Birds

The NJ DEP Division of Fish and Wildlife (NJDFW) and the NJ Department of Agriculture (NJDA) continue working to protect the health of the native wildlife populations and agricultural livestock in NJ. Testing ensures the animals are free of infectious diseases as required by NJAC 7:25-10.7(g) and NJAC 7:25-10.8(a).

NJDA continues to monitor captive game birds for avian influenza and will contact you if it is determined your facility meets the current criteria to qualify for free avian influenza testing.

Due to reductions in budget, it is uncertain how long NJDA will be able to provide these services at no cost and/or how often these services will be available. Failure to coordinate testing in a timely manner may result in the denial of your permit and/or quarantine of the facility.

If you have any questions regarding testing, testing procedures or biosecurity protocols, please contact:

NJ Department of Agriculture Division of Animal Health 609-292-3965

All game birds transported into NJ must:

• Be accompanied by a NJDFW Permit to Import. Download an application from www.njfishandwildlife.com/captivegame_info.htm

and

• Be accompanied by a Certificate of Veterinary Inspection (CVI)

or

• Originate from a facility participating in the National Poultry Improvement Plan (NPIP)

NJ game birds sold in other states:

Must fulfill import requirements for each particular state. For further information, contact the state veterinarian of the state of destination. State contact information can be found at: www.aphis.usda.gov/import_export/animals/animal_import/animal_imports_states.shtml