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**AGREEMENT FOR SENTINEL BIRD PLACEMENT FOR  
AVIAN INFLUENZA SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM**

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[www.FDACS.gov/ai](http://www.FDACS.gov/ai)

585, Florida Statutes  
5C-16, Florida Administrative Code

Note: All documents and attachments submitted with this request are subject to public review pursuant to Chapter 119, F.S.

Avian Influenza (AI), which is a viral disease that affects many avian species, may become established in birds on a premises and be a source of future infection. Symptoms may range from subclinical and very slight to very severe with high mortality. Blood testing and swabbing of AI negative birds that have then been left on the premises for at least 30 days can reveal the presence of the virus.

Therefore, to help determine the presence of AI on your premises, \_\_\_\_\_ sentinel birds which have been banded and tested negative for AI and originate from a flock that appears to be free of contagious or infectious disease are being left on your premises for up to 30 days and then tested for AI. Please have your sentinel birds caught, and confined and ready for testing as scheduled by the inspector. As soon as you receive notice that the sentinel birds tested negative the birds become your property and you may keep the birds for future surveillance testing or dispose of them at your pleasure. Thank you for your cooperation in monitoring your birds for this disease.

OWNER: \_\_\_\_\_ COUNTY: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

GPS: \_\_\_\_\_  
Longitude Latitude

LEG BAND NUMBERS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE PLACED: \_\_\_\_\_ EXPECTED TEST DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

OWNER'S SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

AUTHORIZED TESTING AGENT: \_\_\_\_\_