

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Report of Federal Financial Assistance Programs for Infrastructure Administered by USDA as Required by the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act**

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Financial Officer, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA) requires that within 60 days of its enactment, each agency must submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Congress a report listing all Federal financial assistance programs for infrastructure administered by the agency. The IIJA also requires that the report be published in the **Federal Register**. In accordance with that requirement, we are making available the report prepared by the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA, Pub. L. 117-58) requires that within 60 days of its enactment (*i.e.*, by January 14, 2022), each agency must submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Congress a report listing all Federal financial assistance programs for infrastructure administered by the agency. The IIJA also requires that this 60-day report be published in the **Federal Register**. These requirements are reiterated in OMB Memorandum M-22-08, *Identification of Federal Financial Assistance Infrastructure Programs Subject to the Build America, Buy America Provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act*, which provides additional guidance to agencies.

In accordance with these requirements, the U.S. Department of Agriculture's (USDA's) 60-day report contains a list of infrastructure programs by Assistance Listing Number and Title from the following agencies: Agricultural Marketing Service, Food and Nutrition Service, National Institutes of Food and Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Rural Business Cooperative Service, and Rural Utilities Service. Each listing identifies all domestic content

procurement preferences applicable to the Federal financial assistance program, domestic content procurement preference requirements, applicable domestic content procurement preference requirements, and project descriptions.

Through this notice, we are making USDA's 60-day report available to the public. You may view the report on the internet at <https://www.ocfo.usda.gov/FederalFinancialAssistancePolicy>. Copies may also be obtained by writing to the individual listed under **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**.

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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service**

[Docket No. APHIS-2020-0033]

Determination of the Newcastle Disease Status of the Cantons of Neuchâtel and Ticino of Switzerland

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that we are reinstating the animal health status of the Cantons of Neuchâtel and Ticino in Switzerland as free of Newcastle disease. This recognition is based on an assessment we prepared and made available for public review and comment.

DATES: This change of disease status will be recognized on January 20, 2022.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Rebecca Gordon, Import Risk Analyst, Regionalization Evaluation Services, Strategy & Policy, Veterinary Services, APHIS, USDA, 920 Main Campus Drive, Suite 200, Raleigh, NC 27606; AskRegionalization@usda.gov; (919) 855-7741.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The regulations in 9 CFR part 94 govern the importation of animal products into the United States in order to ensure that the products do not introduce or spread diseases or pests of livestock, including Newcastle disease (ND). Section 94.6 contains requirements governing the importation of carcasses, meat, parts or products of carcasses, and eggs (other than hatching eggs) of poultry, game birds, or other birds from regions in which ND is considered to exist. The section provides that the Animal and

Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) will maintain a list on the internet of regions in which ND is not known to exist. It further provides that, should a region be removed from the list due to an outbreak, APHIS will reinstate the region to the list in accordance with the procedures in 9 CFR 92.4.

Section 92.4 provides that after removing disease-free status from all or part of a region, APHIS may reassess the disease situation in that region to determine whether it is necessary to continue import prohibitions or restrictions. When reassessing the region's disease status, APHIS considers the standards of the World Organization for Animal Health (OIE)¹ for reinstatement of disease-free status, as well as all relevant information obtained through publicly available means or collected by or submitted to APHIS through other means. Prior to removing import prohibitions or restrictions, APHIS makes the information regarding its assessment of the region's disease status available to the public for comment through a notice published in the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with the process for reinstatement, we published a notice² in the **Federal Register** on October 26, 2020 (85 FR 67705, Docket No. APHIS-2020-0033) announcing the availability for review and comment of our evaluation of the ND status of the Cantons of Neuchâtel and Ticino. Based on this evaluation, APHIS concluded that Switzerland has effectively controlled and eradicated ND in its domestic poultry population in the Cantons of Neuchâtel and Ticino. APHIS also concluded that competent veterinary authorities of the Cantons have adequate disease control measures in place to rapidly identify, control, and eradicate the disease should it be reintroduced into Switzerland. Therefore, APHIS recommended that the Cantons Neuchâtel and Ticino should be reinstated onto the list of regions in which ND is not known to exist.

We solicited comments on the notice for 60 days ending December 28, 2020. We received no comments by that date.

We are therefore reinstating the animal health status of the Cantons of Neuchâtel and Ticino as free of ND.

¹ The World Organization for Animal Health internationally follows a British English spelling of "organisation" in its name; also, it was formerly the Office International des Epizooties, or OIE, an acronym still in usage.

² To view the notice and assessment, go to www.regulations.gov and enter APHIS-2020-0033 in the Search field.