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## SPRING BIRD FLU UPDATE - STEADY WEEKLY DECLINE IN DECEASED BIRDS

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: 3/20/2025**

**PLYMOUTH, MA** – Town officials have closely monitored weekly call reports and deceased bird collections to track bird flu in Plymouth. Over the past several weeks, both have shown a steady decline; as we transition into spring, we will continue monitoring these numbers. Given the decreased reports and collections, the Town will shift from weekly updates to providing information as needed.

Town fields officially open on Monday, March 24, 2025. While bird flu season typically ends in April with warmer weather, Town officials continue to advise residents—especially those with pets—to take precautions when engaging in outdoor activities. Dogs, and more specifically cats, are susceptible to bird flu which can be tracked into homes on shoes that may have encountered feces carrying the virus.

Town and state officials advise the community to follow protective measures that include but are not limited to:

- Keeping all domestic animals away from deceased birds/wildlife and feces.
- Removing shoes before entering the home (specifically those with pets).
- Cleaning the bottom of shoes (i.e. cleats, hiking boots, sneakers, etc)
- Removing and washing activewear/sports attire (to limit exposure to domestic animals).

Questions regarding bird flu and outdoor activities can be directed to the Town's Health and Human Services Public Health Division by calling **508-322-3339**.

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