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NEWS BRIEF: Avian Influenza Virus Detected in Colusa County; Precautions Recommended for Handling Wild Birds and Domestic Poultry.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) has announced that wildlife disease specialists have confirmed the presence of Highly Pathogenic Eurasian H5N1 Avian Influenza (avian influenza) in three wild birds found in both Colusa and Glenn counties.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) considers the transmission risk of avian influenza to people to be low, but recommends the following basic protective measures for those individuals in contact with wild birds or domestic poultry:

- Wear gloves;
- Wear face masks; and,
- Wash hands.