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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

[Docket No. APHIS–2021–0066]

Addition of the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Benin, and the Republic of Botswana to the List of Regions Affected With Highly Pathogenic Avian Influenza

AGENCY: Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: We are advising the public that we added the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Benin, and the Republic of Botswana to the list of regions that the Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service considers to be affected by highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). These actions follow our imposition of HPAI-related restrictions on avian commodities originating from or transiting the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Benin, and the Republic of Botswana, as a result of the confirmation of HPAI in the Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Benin, and the Republic of Botswana.

DATES: The Kingdom of Lesotho, the Republic of Benin, and the Republic of Botswana were added to the list of regions APHIS considers to be affected with HPAI, effective respectively on June 8, 2021; August 26, 2021; and September 10, 2021.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For further information regarding HPAI in the Kingdom of Lesotho and the Republic of Benin, contact Dr. John Grabau, APHIS Veterinary Services, Regionalization Evaluation Services, Strategy and Policy, 920 Main Campus Drive, Venture II, Raleigh, NC 27606; phone: (919) 855–7738; email: AskRegionalization@usda.gov. For further information regarding HPAI in the Republic of Botswana, contact Dr. C.

Aaron Monroy, APHIS Veterinary Services, Regionalization Evaluation Services, Strategy and Policy, 920 Main Campus Drive, Venture II, Raleigh, NC 27606; phone: (919) 855–7207; email: AskRegionalization@usda.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The regulations in 9 CFR part 94 (referred to below as the regulations) govern the importation of certain animals and animal products into the United States to prevent the introduction of various animal diseases, including Newcastle disease and highly pathogenic avian influenza (HPAI). The regulations prohibit or restrict the importation of live poultry, poultry meat, and other poultry products from regions where these diseases are considered to exist.

Section 94.6 of the regulations contains requirements governing the importation into the United States of carcasses, meat, parts or products of carcasses, and eggs (other than hatching eggs) of poultry, game birds, or other birds from regions of the world where HPAI exists or is reasonably believed to exist. HPAI is an extremely infectious and potentially fatal form of avian influenza in birds and poultry that, once established, can spread rapidly from flock to flock. The Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service (APHIS) maintains a list of restricted regions it considers affected with HPAI of any subtype on the APHIS website at <https://www.aphis.usda.gov/aphis/ourfocus/animalhealth/animal-and-animal-product-import-information/animal-health-status-of-regions>.

APHIS receives notice of HPAI outbreaks from veterinary officials of the exporting country, from the World Organization for Animal Health (WOAH),¹ or from other sources the Administrator determines to be reliable.

On May 31, 2021, the veterinary authorities of the Kingdom of Lesotho reported to the WOAH an HPAI occurrence in that country. On June 8, 2021, after confirming that the HPAI occurred in commercial birds or poultry, APHIS added the Kingdom of Lesotho to the list of regions where HPAI exists. On that same day, APHIS issued an import alert notifying

stakeholders that APHIS imposed restrictions on the importation of poultry, commercial birds, other types of birds (research, performing), ratites, any avian hatching eggs, unprocessed avian products and byproducts, and certain fresh poultry products from the Kingdom of Lesotho to mitigate risk of HPAI introduction into the United States.

On August 20, 2021, the veterinary authorities of the Republic of Benin reported to the WOAH an HPAI occurrence in that country. On August 26, 2021, after confirming that the HPAI occurred in commercial birds or poultry, APHIS added the Republic of Benin to the list of regions where HPAI exists. On that same day, APHIS issued an import alert notifying stakeholders that APHIS imposed restrictions on the importation of poultry, commercial birds, other types of birds (research, performing), ratites, any avian hatching eggs, unprocessed avian products and byproducts, and certain fresh poultry products from the Republic of Benin to mitigate risk of HPAI introduction into the United States.

On September 6, 2021, the veterinary authorities of the Republic of Botswana reported to the WOAH an HPAI occurrence in that country. On September 10, 2021, after confirming that the HPAI occurred in commercial birds or poultry, APHIS added the Republic of Botswana to the list of regions where HPAI exists. On that same day, APHIS issued an import alert notifying stakeholders that APHIS imposed restrictions on the importation of poultry, commercial birds, other types of birds (research, performing), ratites, any avian hatching eggs, unprocessed avian products and byproducts, and certain fresh poultry products from the Republic of Botswana to mitigate risk of HPAI introduction into the United States.

With the publication of this notice, we are informing the public that we added: The Kingdom of Lesotho to the list of regions APHIS considers affected with HPAI of any subtype, effective June 8, 2021; the Republic of Benin to the list of regions APHIS considers affected with HPAI of any subtype, effective August 26, 2021; and the Republic of Botswana to the list of regions APHIS considers affected with HPAI of any subtype, effective September 10, 2021.

¹ The World Organization for Animal Health internationally follows a British English spelling of “organisation” in its name; it was formerly the Office International des Epizooties, or OIE, but on May 28, 2022, the Organization announced that the acronym was changed from OIE to WOAH.

This notice serves as an official record and public notification of these actions.

Congressional Review Act

Pursuant to the Congressional Review Act (5 U.S.C. 801 *et seq.*), the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs designated this action as not a major rule, as defined by 5 U.S.C. 804(2).

Authority: 7 U.S.C. 1633, 7701–7772, 7781–7786, and 8301–8317; 21 U.S.C. 136 and 136a; 31 U.S.C. 9701; 7 CFR 2.22, 2.80, and 371.4.

Done in Washington, DC, this 4th day of August 2022.

Anthony Shea,

Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Agenda and Notice of a Public Meeting of the Maine Advisory Committee

AGENCY: Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission), and the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), that the Maine State Advisory Committee to the Commission will hold a virtual meeting for project planning on Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

DATES: Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 12:00 p.m. (ET).

Public Web Conference Registration Link (video and audio): <https://tinyurl.com/2p8uuzvu>; password, if needed: USCCR–ME.

If Joining by Phone Only, Dial: 1–551–285–1373; Meeting ID: 161 025 9350#.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Liliana Schiller at lschiller@usccr.gov or 312–353–8311.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: These meetings are available to the public through the WebEx link above. If joining only via phone, callers can expect to incur charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, and the Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339 and providing the Service with the call-in number found through registering at the web link provided for these meetings.

Members of the public are entitled to make comments during the open period

at the end of the meetings. Members of the public may also submit written comments; the comments must be received in the Regional Programs Unit within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Liliana Schiller at lschiller@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Unit at (202) 539–8246. Records and documents discussed during the meetings will be available for public viewing as they become available at www.facadatabase.gov. Persons interested in the work of this advisory committee are advised to go to the Commission's website, www.usccr.gov, or to contact the Regional Programs Unit at the above phone number or email address.

Agenda

Thursday, September 8, 2022, at 12 p.m. ET

- I. Welcome & Roll Call
- II. Approval of Minutes: July 18, 2022
- III. Administrative Announcements
- IV. Standing Meetings: 2nd Thursdays, From August thru December 2022; 12 p.m. ET
- IV. Discussion: Project Proposal & Next Steps
 - a. Update on Proposal
 - b. Date of Briefing #1: October 20, 2022, Thursday; 12:00 p.m. ET
 - c. Planning for Briefings
 - d. Monday.com Panelist Recommendation Board
- V. Public Comment
- VI. Adjournment

Dated: August 5, 2022.

David Mussatt,

Supervisory Chief, Regional Programs Unit.

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COMMISSION ON CIVIL RIGHTS

Notice of Public Meeting of the Wyoming Advisory Committee to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights

AGENCY: U.S. Commission on Civil Rights.

ACTION: Announcement of virtual business meeting.

SUMMARY: Notice is hereby given, pursuant to the provisions of the rules and regulations of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights (Commission) and the Federal Advisory Committee Act, that the Wyoming Advisory Committee (Committee) to the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights will hold a virtual business meeting via Webex at 2:00 p.m. MT on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, to discuss

the civil rights implications of housing discrimination in the state.

DATES: The meeting will take place on Tuesday, September 27, 2022, from 2:00 p.m.–3:30 p.m. MT.

Link To Join (Audio/Visual): <https://tinyurl.com/tnh8dftp>.

Telephone (Audio Only): Dial (800) 360–9505 USA Toll Free; Access Code: 2761 055 5065.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Kayla Fajota, DFO, at kfajota@usccr.gov or (434) 515–2395.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Committee meetings are available to the public through the conference link above. Any interested member of the public may listen to the meeting. An open comment period will be provided to allow members of the public to make a statement as time allows. If joining via phone, callers can expect to incur regular charges for calls they initiate over wireless lines, according to their wireless plan. The Commission will not refund any incurred charges. Individuals who are deaf, deafblind, and hard of hearing may also follow the proceedings by first calling the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877–8339 and providing the Service with the conference details found through registering at the web link above. To request additional accommodations, please email kfajota@usccr.gov at least ten (10) days prior to the meeting.

Members of the public are also entitled to submit written comments; the comments must be received in the regional office within 30 days following the meeting. Written comments may be emailed to Liliana Schiller at lschiller@usccr.gov. Persons who desire additional information may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at (312) 353–8311.

Records generated from this meeting may be inspected and reproduced at the Regional Programs Coordination Unit Office, as they become available, both before and after the meeting. Records of the meeting will be available via www.facadatabase.gov under the Commission on Civil Rights, Wyoming Advisory Committee link. Persons interested in the work of this Committee are directed to the Commission's website, <http://www.usccr.gov>, or may contact the Regional Programs Coordination Unit at the above phone number.

Agenda

- I. Welcome & Roll Call
- II. Discussion: Housing Discrimination
- III. Next Steps
- IV. Public Comment
- V. Adjournment