**Appendix 1 HPAI risk mitigation checklist – HPAI risk mitigation toolbox for wildlife care providers**

|  | **TOOLBOX REF.** | **Y** | **N** | **N/A** | **COMMENT**  **e.g. what do you currently do, what document currently exists?** | **FOLLOW UP ACTION REQUIRED?**  **Describe what action is required.** |
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| **HPAI AWARENESS, TRAINING AND OUTREACH** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you have a **basic understanding of how emergency animal diseases such as HPAI are managed in Australia** and what role WCP individuals and facilities might play during an HPAI response? | 2.5 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Are you aware that WCPs **must not undertake any kind of diagnostic testing for HPAI** without oversight of the biosecurity agency in your jurisdiction? | 2.6 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you (or your organisation) **engaged with the biosecurity agency in your jurisdiction** to discuss HPAI prevention and preparedness, including:   * diagnostic testing for HPAI * biosecure disposal options at WCP facilities * euthanasia requirements for animals held by WCPs   Please read the entire toolbox and complete the checklist before reaching out. | 2.5  2.6  5.4  5.6 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Are you, your staff and anyone regularly interacting with wildlife, **familiar with the clinical signs of HPAI** in wildlife? | 3.1 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Are you and your staff aware of **how to report** suspicious signs of HPAI including what situations warrant reporting, who to report signs to, what information to collect and what to do following reporting? | 3.2 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Are you, your staff and anyone regularly interacting with wildlife **aware of baseline biosecurity procedures** to follow in the field and in WCP facilities? | 3.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Are you and your staff aware of the **response activities that are not currently supported** by Australia's AI response frameworks? Specifically: euthanasia or culling of wildlife and vaccination of wild birds. | 5.6  5.8 | o | o | o |  |  |
| **PLANS AND PROCEDURES** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you have a documented **WCP facility-specific HPAI risk assessment?** | 4 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you have a **documented plan or procedure for how to report suspicion of HPAI** in wildlife, including:   * clinical signs that should raise suspicion for HPAI * contact details relevant to your jurisdiction * information to be collected for reporting * actions to take following reporting | 3.1  3.2 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you (or your organisation) have a **documented plan or procedure for baseline biosecurity measures,** to be undertaken by anyone interacting with wildlife in the field and in WCP facilities? | 3.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you (or your organisation) documented potential ways in which **biosecurity measures could be enhanced** beyond baseline in the event of an HPAI outbreak? | 5.4 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you have a **system** **for recording individual animals that enter and leave** the WCP facility? | 5.1  5.2 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you **maintain contact lists of stakeholders** that usually visit the facility, to ensure that in the event of an HPAI outbreak, any restrictions on activities can be easily communicated? | 5.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you identified and documented **any activities undertaken at the facility that you would regard as being essential to the health and welfare of the animals at the site?** | 5.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you documented the likely impact of a **reduction or cessation in animal rescue and rehabilitation activities?** | 5.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you identified and documented the **entry and exit points** to the facility and how vehicle or pedestrian access could be restricted in the event of an HPAI outbreak (e.g. locking gates, barriers)? | 5.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you have procedures and systems for **identifying individual animals** and **maintaining records of animal health observations?** | 5.5 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do your (or your organisation’s) HPAI preparedness plans and procedures make it clear that euthanasia or culling of healthy wildlife and vaccination of wild birds **do not form part of the planned response** toan outbreak of HPAI in Australia? | 5.6  5.8 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Do you (or your organisation) have established procedures for **euthanasia of individual sick wildlife** if required to mitigate animal welfare risks? | 5.7 | o | o | o |  |  |
| **EQUIPMENT AND FACILITIES** |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Do you **have PPE, soap and disinfectants, equipment washing facilities and disposal sites for waste materials** appropriate to the **baseline biosecurity** measures for your site? | 3.3 | o | o | o |  |  |
| Have you (or your organisation) identified **suppliers** of PPE and disinfectants? | 5.4 | o | o | o |  |  |