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A GREENER WORLD TO TEMPORARILY POSTPONE CALIFORNIA POULTRY AUDITS

--Audits for poultry operations in California are being temporarily deferred due to increased need for bio-security protocols while assessing a disease outbreak--

TERREBONNE, OR (AUGUST 1, 2018)--The A Greener World (AGW) program is currently suspending all poultry audits in California due to the Virulent Newcastle Disease (VND) outbreak in the Southern part of the state. California farmers have been notified of safety protocols to follow in order to minimize the impact of the disease spread. Accordingly, AGW will not audit farms with poultry, following strict protocols for bio-security.

The outbreak is specific to California and is not impacting any other states. AGW is monitoring the situation and looks forward to resuming audits once the outbreak is under control.

Director of Compliance for A Greener World, Tim Holmes, says,

“The farmers and animals we serve are of the utmost importance and therefore our auditing team is being extremely cautious when it comes to our bio-security protocols.”

For more information on Virulent Newcastle Disease (VND) visit the California Department of Food and Agriculture’s website: https://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/Animal_Health/Newcastle_Disease_Info.html.

For more information about A Greener World certifications, visit <https://agreenerworld.org/certifications/>.



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ABOUT A GREENER WORLD

A Greener World (AGW) identifies, audits, certifies and promotes practical, sustainable farming systems by supporting farmers and ranchers and informing consumers. AGW's growing family of trusted certifications includes [Certified Animal Welfare Approved by AGW](#), [Certified Grassfed by AGW](#) and [Certified Non-GMO by AGW](#). Each program is designed to have positive and measurable impacts on the environment, society and animals, and to encourage truly sustainable farming practices. AGW's standards and procedures are robust, transparent and achievable.

A nonprofit funded by public donations and [membership](#), AGW offers a range of resources to help people make informed food choices, including an [Online Directory](#) of certified farms and products and [Food Labels Exposed](#)--a definitive guide to food label claims (available in print, online, and as a smartphone app). For more information visit agreenerworld.org.