

CITY OF YUCAIPA
ORDINANCE NO 347
POULTRY RANCH INSPECTION

Ranch Name: **EGG MASTERS**

Date: **7/30/20**

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

| WATER SYSTEM/COOLING SYSTEM: | YES | NO |
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| Leaks present | X | |
| Leaks required to be repaired | N/A <input type="checkbox"/> IMMEDIATELY <input type="checkbox"/> 24 HOURS <input type="checkbox"/> | |
| Leaks causing wet manure | X | |
| Wet manure being removed or treated with lime | X | |
| FEED: | YES | NO |
| Spilled feed present | | X |
| Evidence of rodent Infestation present | | X |
| EQUIPMENT: | YES | NO |
| Operable spray equipment on site | X | |
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MANURE DISPOSAL, DEAD BIRDS, BROKEN EGGS

| MANURE: | YES | NO |
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| Raw Manure removed from the ranch within three (3) days | X | |
| DEAD BIRDS/BROKEN EGGS: | YES | NO |
| Stored in Fly-tight containers | X | |
| Removed from ranch weekly | X | |

FLY CONTROL

| BAIT STATIONS: | | YES | NO | |
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| Adult fly bait station located at the end of every house | | X | | |
| Bait stations maintained properly | | X | | |
| Adult flies: | NOT OBSERVED | LIGHT | MODERATE | HEAVY |
| Adult fly population on the ranch | | X | | |
| Emergency Activities need to be implemented | | YES | | NO X |

| LARVA BREEDING: | NOT OBSERVED | LIGHT | MODERATE | HEAVY |
|---------------------------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-----------------|--------------|
| Larva breeding on the ranch | X | | | |
| Emergency activities need to be implemented | | YES X | | NO |

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| RANCH IS IN COMPLIANCE | YES X | NO |
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OBSERVATIONS:

While suiting up in the required protective gear I noticed the amount of flies at the street were so minimal I had to look for them, I could hear the sound of chickens coming from a neighbor property that seemed unusually loud and made me wonder how many flies could be originating from the local resident back yard poultry of other ranch animals.

I entered the ranch unannounced on a day different than our weekly Wednesday inspection and the ranch was quiet and the coops were cleared of manure. There are 3 coops that still have caged chickens, I could see they had recently spread lime under the cages as the ground was damp in many areas but not puddling and there was no larva present.

The ranch is currently converting the caged chickens to cage free and while inspecting and looking down the long empty coops there were so little flies I was impressed that a chicken ranch could achieve this. I can recall the first year of inspecting this ranch, there were times the flies were so thick it was uncomfortable to walk through the coops.

Further into my inspection at the first cage free house (#10) there was a large puddle of water that appeared to have been there for a while as it was breeding algae, that is more of an environmental concern and potential breeding ground for mosquitos. I called the ranch manager over to discuss and he said that it was caused when the water was on to wash some of the eggs.

While talking to the manager he said that approximately 500 chickens would be leaving the ranch that next weekend and their goal was to have all chickens cage free by the end of September.

Manure logs show that the ranch is following the required manure removal. Also while I was there I inspected a pile of manure that was waiting to be hauled out, taking scoops from different areas of the pile I found NO larva.

There also is a large amount of building materials around the ranch that are being used to build the cage free coops. Once the cages are built I would expect that any left over building materials will be properly disposed of.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

Continue with the city mandated removal, continue to treat any wet areas under the coops. The puddle where the eggs are being washed (coop 10) must be dried up. Either connect to a drain or grade the area so that the water will dry with the heat of the day or permeate into the ground, if this cant be achieved then washing the eggs in an area with a proper drainage is advised.

ACTION TAKEN:

None

Biosecurity Measures Taken

Yes X No

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