New safety procedures now in place due to Avian Influenza

A strain of highly pathogenic Avian Influenza (HPAI) is currently spreading throughout North America, including Alaska, in domestic poultry and wild birds. Wild waterfowl are the primary reservoir for the virus. As they migrate throughout the spring, they can transmit the virus to domestic poultry and resident wild birds. The risk to human health from this HPAI virus is very low, but it is highly contagious among birds. Due to this spread, the Alaska SeaLife Center is taking extra measures to mitigate the spread of the virus in its resident birds.

Avian Influenza Safety Procedures

Seabird Habitat/Aviary, Puffin Encounter and Puffin Experience

The Alaska SeaLife Center is taking measures to protect its resident birds against Avian Influenza (HPAI). HPAI can be carried by clothing, including shoes. As a precaution to keep the birds within its Seabird Aviary and other bird program areas safe, the ASLC has placed disinfecting mats at these entry and exit locations. All visitors are required to step onto the mats before entering and exiting the aviary.

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