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Tēnā koe [redacted]

Thank you for your request to the Department of Conservation, received on 18 July 2026, in which you asked for:

1. Please provide the results of the vaccine research trial that was completed for bird flu vaccination in New Zealand's native birds.
2. Please provide the scientific/medical datasheet for the vaccine that was used.

We have considered your request under the Official Information Act 1982. Your questions and our responses are listed below:

1. *Please provide the results of the vaccine research trial that was completed for bird flu vaccination in New Zealand's native birds.*

   The vaccine research trial results are publicly available on our website: https://www.doc.govt.nz/our-work/wildlife-health/avian-influenza/#vaccine
   Please note that any pictorial representations of the results (such as graphs) have not been included, however the complete underlying results and findings are available through the link above.

2. *Please provide the scientific/medical datasheet for the vaccine that was used.*

   The vaccine that was used in the research trial is Poulvac Flufend i AI H5N3 RG (Agricultural Chemicals and Veterinary Medicines (ACVM) Registration Number A009733). Publicly available information including the approved label/datasheet can be found by searching on the ACVM register at: https://eatsafe.nzfsa.govt.nz/web/public/acvm-register

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) may be published on the Department's website.

Nāku noa, nā

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