

# VENTILATION SHUTDOWN

IS BECOMING THE "PREFERRED" METHOD OF MASS KILLING



""How would you kill 5 million birds?" That question highlights the grotesque predicament these corporations created. It is not the veterinary profession's role to devise macabre workarounds for a billion dollar corporation's cruel business model." - Crystal Heath, DVM

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Ventilation shutdown (VSD+) involves sealing up barns, pumping in heat and steam and watching as animals die slowly of heat stroke over several hours.



## Tens of millions of birds killed this year

Ventilation shutdown+ is a method of mass killing or "depopulation" listed in the American Veterinary Medical Association's (AVMA) Guidelines on Depopulation to be used in "constrained circumstances" only.

It has now become the most frequently used method of killing commercial flocks infected with avian influenza.

#### Corporate capture of the veterinary profession

A \$100k grant from the U.S. Poultry & Egg Association funded research at the Prestage Department of Poultry Science (named after Prestage Farms--the pork and poultry producer) at North Carolina State University. This research was the basis for including ventilation shutdown+ in the AVMA's guidelines.

### Veterinarians should be caring advocates for animals.

Join us to help veterinarians stop industry from creating the very conditions that necessitate depopulation in the first place.