

Public Health: COVID-19 has been detected in mink or workers on fur farms in Oregon, Utah, Michigan, and Wisconsin as well as hundreds of fur farms in Denmark, the Netherlands, Sweden, Italy, and Spain resulting in the culling of millions of mink. Mink are particularly susceptible to the virus and are able to infect humans leading to concerns that fur farms could become reservoirs for the disease. Mutated forms of the virus have been transmitted back and infected 200 humans raising fears that mink farms could negatively impact the effectiveness of a vaccine for humans.