

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Tuskegee University
101 Chappie James Center
TUSKEGEE. AL 36088

Customer ID: 857

Certificate: 64-R-0002

Site: 001

TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 13-AUG-2025

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Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee's (IACUC) October 2, 2024 and March 28, 2025 semi-annual facility inspection and program review reports to the Institutional Official (IO) are not signed by a majority of IACUC members. The reports from October 2, 2024 contain none of the 9 IACUC member's signatures and the reports from the March 28, 2025 contain 3 of the 9 IACUC member's signatures.

Reports submitted to the IO shall be reviewed and signed by a majority of the IACUC members to confirm agreement with the inspection findings. Failure of a majority of the IACUC members to review the findings and sign the report could lead to the omission of a minority view or a deficiency in the facility's animal use program or facility inspection.

The IACUC shall prepare evaluation reports at least once every six months upon completion of the required semiannual evaluations which are reviewed and signed by a majority of the IACUC members. The report must identify all deficiencies, designate each as significant or minor and contain a reasonable and specific plan and schedule with dates for correcting each deficiency.

Correct by September 3, 2025.

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Facilities, general.

Several primary enclosures need maintenance and/or repair:

- The enclosure that was cited on the last routine inspection has not been corrected. The partition between two enclosures that each house one horse, consists of sections of metal barred gates. These sections are leaning at an approximately 30 degree angle. A tied rope is the only fastening holding the leaning section to an upright secured end section.
- In an enclosure that contains two cows, a round hay bale feeder is in disrepair. The sheet metal is pealing away from one of the sides of the feeder and contains rust that exposes a sharp edge. This enclosure also contains panels with rust that is causing the pipes to break and expose jagged edges.
- Multiple areas of pasture fence that encloses nine horses contain holes, missing sections and areas with pointed edges of metal fencing. This enclosure also contains two bunk livestock feeders that contain a rusted metal pipe base that is

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broken and contains sharp edges.

- An area of pasture fence that encloses five horses contains areas of incomplete fencing and balled up wire at the base of the fence. This enclosure also houses a round bale hay feeder that has sheet metal pealing away from a side that contains rust that exposes sharp edges.

Enclosures that contain gaps in fencing and contain sharp edges, rust and damaged materials can allow for escape or cause injury or harm to the animals within. Housing facilities shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and contain the animals.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

Prepared By: BRITTANY KESSLER Date:

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Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
857	64-R-0002	001	TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY	13-AUG-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000033	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX
000020	Equus caballus	DOMESTIC HORSE