



## Inspection Report

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ARIVACA SANCTUARY AND RESEARCH

P O Box 481  
ARIVACA, AZ 85601

Customer ID: **506654**

Certificate: **86-R-0044**

Site: 001

ARIVACA SANTUARY AND  
RESEARCH

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 15-OCT-2020

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### 2.31(b)(3)(ii)

#### **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).**

At the time of inspection the IACUC at this facility did not have a participating non-affiliated member listed. The non-affiliated member provides representation for the general community interests in the proper care and treatment of animals. Per the regulations, at least one member of the IACUC committee shall not be affiliated in any way with the facility other than a member of the Committee. In order to have a functioning IACUC the Committee must at least consist of the Chairman, a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine and a non-affiliated community member. The Chief Executive Officer of the research facility must appoint a non-affiliated member to the IACUC for the Committee to be complete and able to perform the required IACUC functions.

Date to be Corrected: Prior to conducting IACUC business

### 2.31(c)(3)

#### **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).**

The IACUC has never prepared or submitted a report to the Institutional Official of its evaluation of the animal facilities. The report allows for the evaluation of the programs, procedures, and facilities by the Institutional Official to ensure the health, safety and humane care and use of the animals utilized by this facility.

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Reports of the IACUC evaluations of the program of animal use and animal facilities need to be updated at least every six months and sent to the Institutional Official. All reports to the Institutional Official must be signed by a majority of IACUC members, identify departures from the regulations or standards, distinguish significant from minor deficiencies, and provide a reasonable and specific plan and schedule with dates for correcting each deficiency.

Date to be Corrected: From this time forward.

### 2.35(a)(3)

#### **Recordkeeping requirements.**

The facility did not have any semiannual IACUC reports completed or available to review at the time of inspection. Facilities need to maintain records regarding IACUC activities so the USDA inspector can adequately assess the facility's program of animal care and use to determine compliance with the Animal Welfare Act Regulations. Copies of the semiannual reports prepared by the IACUC and submitted to the Institutional Official should be maintained and available at the time of an inspection.

Date to be Corrected: From this day forward

### 2.31(c)(1)

#### **Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).**

The IACUC has not conducted a review of the facility's program for humane care and use of animals. Regular reviews are necessary to ensure IACUC oversight of the program and to ensure the welfare of the animals being used in research by the facility. The IACUC must review, at least once every six months, the research facility's program for humane care and use of animals, using title 9, chapter I, subchapter A--Animal Welfare, as a basis for evaluation.

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### 2.35(a)(1)

#### Recordkeeping requirements.

The facility had no record of having any IACUC meetings and no minutes of the IACUC meetings for review at the time of inspection. Accurate and complete meeting minutes are essential in maintaining continuity in operations and distribution of information among IACUC members. The facility shall maintain minutes of IACUC meetings, including records of attendance, activities of the Committee, and Committee deliberations.

Date to be Corrected: From this time forward.

### 2.31(e)(2)

#### Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC).

The proposal doesn't provide the justification of the use of two different bear species or the number being requested per year. The study should provide a statistically significant result with a minimum number of animals, and the methods by which the number of animals was determined must be clearly stated. The number of animals required should be clearly and scientifically justified to assure that no more animals are used than are necessary for scientific validity. As part of the proposal review process the IACUC is charged with ensuring there is not unnecessary duplication of experiments and that the minimum number of animals needed to obtain valid data is being requested.

Date to be Corrected: October 27, 2020

### 2.31(e)(4)

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This protocol does not describe how blood collection of both black and brown bears will be taken. A description of procedures is needed to assure that discomfort and pain to animals will be limited to that which is unavoidable for the conduct of scientifically valuable research, including provision for the use of analgesic, anesthetic, and tranquilizing drugs where indicated and appropriate to minimize discomfort and pain to animals. The IACUC must review and approve the description for procedures to assure that discomfort and pain to animals will be minimized whenever possible, in order to safeguard the well-being of the animals under study.

Date to be Corrected: October 27, 2020

### 2.35(a)(2)

#### Recordkeeping requirements.

There were no IACUC records of the proposed activity for a study which involves the use of bears. Records of proposed activities must be maintained to ensure only studies which have been approved are conducted and to ensure they are being conducted in accordance with the approved protocol. Anytime a covered species is used in research a written protocol must be reviewed and approved by the IACUC prior to the use of the animal. The IACUC records must be maintained of proposed activities involving animals and proposed significant changes in activities involving animals, and whether IACUC approval was given or withheld.

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

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
506654	86-R-0044	001	ARIVACA SANTUARY AND RESEARCH	15-OCT-2020

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000000	NONE	NONE
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