

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

TCRAWFORD INS-0000891861

# **Inspection Report**

Fort Valley State University

PO BOX 4370 DEPARTMENT OF VETERINARY SCIENCE

FORT VALLEY, GA 31030

Customer ID: 885

Certificate: 57-R-0017

Site: 001

FORT VALLEY STATE

UNIVERSITY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 05-SEP-2023

### 2.38(b)(1)(ii)

#### Miscellaneous.

At the time of inspection, the required Institutional Animal Care & Use Committee paperwork was not available for review and examination by APHIS officials. The facility representative present today was not able to access the records in their colleague's absence. Review of IACUC paperwork ensures the IACUC is functioning as intended to ensure the welfare of the animals used and housed by the facility. The facility shall ensure that records required by the Animal Welfare Act (AWA) and the regulations are available for APHIS officials to review on all inspections.

Correct by November 8, 2023.

#### 3.6(b)(1)(i)

## Primary enclosures.

A total of 7 adult cats are currently housed in primary enclosures that do not meet the required 24-inch heigh requirement. The resting platform further reduces the vertical space of the enclosure, and two of the cats were observed crouching to move around in the enclosure. Failure to provide adequate enclosure height (at least twenty-four inches) prevents cats from making normal postural adjustments and can lead to unnecessary discomfort and distress. Correct by ensuring all primary enclosures housing cats are at least 24" height.

Correct by October 31, 2023.

#### 3.125(a)

## Facilities, general.

The large hoof stock pasture had various areas in disrepair. One housing shelter in a distant paddock had sections of metal siding no longer attached to its frame, curving away from the structure and creating sharp projections. Additionally, the shared fence line between two of the large hoof stock pastures had a significant portion of the chain link fence torn apart, creating a hole with adjacent wire curling up and out. The subsequent exposed edges of the fence line now exposed sharp points. The exposed metal and sharp points pose a risk of injury to the animals contained therein. The outdoor facilities shall be structurally sound and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

Correct by January 1, 2024.

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#### 3.130

#### Watering.

Two separate primary enclosures housing horses and cattle did not have clean drinking water. The area housing three horses had a water trough containing cloudy, green water. The water trough in the large hoof stock pasture also had green, discolored water with increased amounts of sediment present. The water was significantly cloudy in both troughs, with inspectors unable to see through to the bottom of the receptacles. Though the facility stated the horses in the first enclosure would be turned out the same day, the water receptacles had not been replenished as needed. The consumption of unclean drinking water can cause severe illness and decline in an animal's health. Accessibility to potable water is necessary for the well-being and comfort of the animal. All water receptacles must be kept clean and sanitary.

Correct by September 12, 2023.

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

Additional Inspectors:

CARLA THOMAS, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
885	57-R-0017	001	FORT VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY	05-SEP-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000007	Canis familiaris	DOG ADULT
000009	Felis catus	CAT ADULT
000007	Cavia porcellus	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000004	Oryctolagus cuniculus	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000007	Equus caballus	DOMESTIC HORSE
000038	Total	