

October 31, 2019

TO: [REDACTED]
Assistant Director for Detention Management

FROM: [REDACTED]
Lead Compliance Inspector
The Nakamoto Group, Inc.

SUBJECT: **Annual Detention Inspection of the Northern Oregon Correctional Facility**

The Nakamoto Group, Inc. performed an annual inspection for compliance with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS-Over 72 Hours) of the Northern Oregon Correctional Facility in The Dalles, Oregon during the period of October 29-31, 2019. This is an IGSA facility.

The annual inspection was performed under the guidance of [REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector. Team members were:

Subject Matter Field	Team Member
Security	[REDACTED]
Detainee Rights	[REDACTED]
Medical Care	[REDACTED]
Safety	[REDACTED]

Type of Inspection

This is a scheduled annual inspection which is performed to determine overall compliance with the ICE NDS for Over 72 hour facilities. The facility received a previous rating of Acceptable during the December 2018 inspection.

Inspection Summary

The Northern Oregon Correctional Facility is currently accredited by:

- The American Correctional Association (ACA) – No
- The National Commission on Correctional Health Care (NCCHC) – No
- The Joint Commission (TJC) – No
- Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) – Yes

Standards Compliance

The following information is a summary of the standards that were reviewed and overall compliance determined as a result of the 2018 and the 2019 NDS compliance annual inspections.



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2018 Annual Inspection		2019 Annual Inspection	
Acceptable	37	Acceptable	37
Deficient	0	Deficient	0
Repeat Finding	0	Repeat Finding	0
Not Applicable	2	Not Applicable	2

The inspection team identified thirty-nine (39) deficient components in the following thirteen (13) standards:

Classification System - 1
Correspondence and Other Mail – 1, which is a repeat deficiency
Detainee Handbook – 6, two of which are repeat deficiencies
Food Service – 11, seven of which are repeat deficiencies
Access to Telephones – 1, which is a repeat deficiency
Detention Files – 1
Disciplinary Policy - 1
Environmental Health and Safety – 5, three of which are repeat deficiencies
Key and Lock Control – 2, one of which is a repeat deficiency
Security Inspections – 2, which are both repeat deficiencies
Tool Control – 1, which is a repeat deficiency
Staff/Detainee Communication -1
Detainee Transfer – 6, two of which are repeat deficiencies

Facility Snapshot/Description

The Northern Oregon Correctional Facility (NORCOR) is located in The Dalles, Oregon approximately eighty miles east of Portland, Oregon. NORCOR is a regional jail providing detention services to four area counties. It is governed by a board of directors comprised of representatives from the participating jurisdictions. The facility is managed by a jail commander who reports to the board of directors. The facility houses adult male and female ICE detainees of all classification levels, State of Oregon Department of Corrections inmates and detainees from Wasco, Gilliam, Sherman and Hood River counties. During the inspection period, the facility housed male ICE detainees the majority of time. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] ICE detainees are transferred back and forth from Northwest ICE Processing Center (NWIPC). [REDACTED]

The physical plant was built in 1999. The facility contains fifteen general population housing units, of which ten are configured into five to eight two-bed rooms; four are dormitory settings ranging from twelve to twenty-two beds. There is one special management unit consisting of twelve one-bed cells, and one twelve-bed housing unit consisting of four one-bed cells and four two-bed cells, dedicated to detainees with mental health concerns. ICE detainees may be assigned to any of the housing units but always among other compatibly classified detainees. [REDACTED] The compound is a single-story building with the secure perimeter comprised of one twelve-foot chain link fencing supplemented with razor ribbon and the exterior walls of the building wings. The entire perimeter is under camera surveillance, which is continuously monitored by central control officers, and foot patrolled by an unarmed officer once each shift. All exterior doors are alarmed and monitored by central control officers.



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Detainees have access to televisions, board games, cards, dominos, a leisure library, hand-held tablets and a microwave in the dayrooms. Telephones are provided in the dayrooms. During the inspection, detainees were observed socializing in the dayrooms. Conditions of confinement were orderly, clean and quiet. Detainees were forthcoming and engaging when interviewed. Detainees freely approached facility staff, ICE officers and the inspection team to converse. Facility staff were observed to be professional in their approach to detainees and in their appearance.

The inspection team visited the housing units several times and interviewed each detainee. Inspectors interviewed LEP and English-speaking detainees in informal and private settings. There were no substantive concerns that required follow up. Detainees voiced no concerns regarding their safety, conditions of confinement, treatment by staff, access to ICE personnel or the availability of activities and programs. Overall, detainees were very content with their detention in the facility. Sanitation was above average.

Medical services are provided by county employees. Food services and commissary operations are provided by Summit Food Service. The facility does not assess co-pays on medical, mental health or dental care for ICE detainees.

Areas of Concern/Significant Observations

There were no areas of concerns or significant observations.

Recommended Rating and Justification

The Lead Compliance Inspector recommends that the facility receive a rating of Acceptable. The facility complies with the ICE National Detention Standards (NDS). No (0) standards were found Deficient and two (2) standards were Not Applicable (N/A). All remaining thirty-seven (37) standards were found to be in compliance.

LCI Assurance Statement

The findings of compliance and noncompliance are accurately and completely documented on the G-324A Inspection Form and are supported by documentation in the inspection file. An out brief was conducted at the facility and in addition to the entire Nakamoto Group, Inc. Inspection Team, the following were present:

- ICE Officials – [REDACTED]
- Facility Staff – [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED], Lead Compliance Inspector
Printed Name of LCI

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