# **Annual Report to OLAW**

Institution: USDA/APHIS/WS/National Wildlife Research Center
Assurance Number: D16-00874 (A4676-01)
Reporting Period: January 1 - December 31, 2019

This institution's Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), through the Institutional Official, provides this annual report to the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW).

- [ ] A. There have been **no changes** in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance. [Skip to Item II.]
- [X ] B. Change(s) in this institution's program for animal care and use as described in the Assurance have occurred during this reporting period. (FAQ 6)

Select all that apply:

[	]	This institution's AAALAC accreditation status has changed (PHS Policy IV.A.2.).			
		[	]	AAALAC Accredited - Category 1	
		[	]	Non-Accredited - Category 2	

- [ ] This institution's program for animal care and use has changed (PHS Policy IV.A.1.a-i.). [Attach a full description of the changes.]
- [X ] The individual designated by this institution as the Institutional Official has changed. [Provide name, title(s), address, e-mail, phone, and fax numbers in Item V.]
- [X ] The membership of this institution's IACUC has changed. [Provide current roster of members in Item VI.]

#### II. Semiannual Evaluations

This IACUC has conducted semiannual evaluations of the institution's program and inspections of the institution's facilities (including satellite facilities) on the dates below. Reports of the evaluations and inspections have been submitted to the Institutional Official. The reports include any IACUC-approved departures from the *Guide* with a reason for each departure, any deficiencies (significant or minor) that were identified, and a plan and schedule for correction of each deficiency. [*Do not provide semiannual reports unless they include a minority view.*]

#### A. Program Evaluations

[Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that evaluations be done at 6 month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 evaluations of the program during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.]

Date 1: April 15, 2019	Date 2: October 15, 2019

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### **B.** Facility Inspections

[Two dates (month/day/year) must be provided to satisfy the PHS Policy requirement that facility inspections be done at 6 month intervals. If the IACUC conducted more than 2 inspections of each site during the reporting period, please attach a list showing the dates.]

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1	Date 1: 4/16/2019	Date 2: 10/3/2019

### III. Minority Views [Select A or B]

- [X ] A. There were no minority views during this reporting cycle.
- B. Any minority views submitted by members of the IACUC regarding reports filed under <u>PHS</u> <u>Policy IV.F.</u> for this reporting cycle are attached.
  - While not technically a minority view, one IACUC member expressed a dissenting opinion regarding the pain classification of a study evaluating potential toxicants in coyotes upon viewing the procedure. The IACUC member in question approved this study, and the assigned pain classification, during Protocol Review, with no dissenting opinion.

The IACUC member communicated this dissenting opinion in the assigned pain classification to the IACUC Chair. It should be noted that the Attending Veterinarian was present to monitor animals during the entirety of the study in question. The IACUC will reassess pain classification criteria (and study appropriateness) if follow-up studies for the toxicants in question are proposed.

# IV. Signatures

IACUC Chairperson	Institutional Official  Name: Douglas Eckery	
Name: Jeffrey Chandler		
Signature: W. Mun	Signatures 2 L 2	
Date: 1/13/2020	Date: 1/13/2420	

## V. Change in Institutional Official

Name: Douglas Eckery	
Title: Assistant Director, NWRC	Degree/Credential: PhD
Name of Institution: USDA/APHIS/WS/N	lational Wildlife Research Center
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Phone: (970) 266-6164	Fax: (970) 266-6203
12/27/19. Dr. Clark retired from federal Eckery, assumed the role of NWRC Insti	served as NWRC's Institutional Official from 1/1/19 through service on 12/27/19. NWRC Assistant Director, Dr. Douglas tutional Official beginning 12/27/19. Note that the role of the new Director of the NWRC upon their hire.

### **VI.** Change in IACUC Membership [Current roster]

Institution: USDA/APHIS/WS/National Wildlife Research Center

#### **IACUC Contact Information**

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#### **IACUC Chairperson**

Name: Jeffrey Chandler

Title: Microbiologist Degree/Credentials: PhD

PHS Policy Membership Requirements\*\*\*: Chairperson / Scientist

#### **IACUC Roster** [Provide below or attach]

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Name of Member/ Code*	Degree/ Credential	Position Title/ Occupational Background**	PHS Policy Membership Requirements***
Jeffrey Chandler	PhD	Microbiologist  Veterinary Medical  Officer (AV)	Chairperson
Laurie Baeten	PhD/DVM		Veterinarian
Thomas Gidlewski	DVM	Veterinary Medical Officer	Scientist
Amy Davis	PhD	Computational Biologist	Scientist
Kevin Bentler	ВА	Biological Technician	Scientist
Fred Cunningham	DVM	Research Biologist	Scientist
Stacey Brummer	MS	Colony Specialist	Nonscientist
Russell Reidinger	PhD	Scientist (retired)	Nonaffiliated

<sup>\*</sup> Names of members, other than the chairperson and veterinarian, may be represented by a number or symbol in this report to OLAW. Sufficient information to determine that all appointees are appropriately qualified must be provided and the identity of each member must be readily ascertainable by the institution and available to authorized OLAW or other PHS representatives upon request.

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\*\* List specific position titles for all members, including nonaffiliated (e.g., banker, teacher, volunteer fireman; not "community member" or "retired").

\*\*\* PHS Policy Membership Requirements:

Veterinarian veterinarian with training or experience in laboratory animal science and

medicine or in the use of the species at the institution, who has direct or delegated program authority and responsibility for activities involving animals

at the institution.

Scientist practicing scientist experienced in research involving animals.

Nonscientist member whose primary concerns are in a nonscientific area (for example,

ethicist, lawyer, member of the clergy).

Nonaffiliated individual who is not affiliated with the institution in any way other than as a

member of the IACUC, and is not a member of the immediate family of a person who is affiliated with the institution. This member is expected to represent general community interests in the proper care and use of animals and should not be a laboratory animal user. A consulting veterinarian may not

be considered nonaffiliated.

[Note: all members must be appointed by the CEO (or individual with specific written delegation to appoint members) and must be voting members. Non-voting members and alternate members must be so identified.]