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| From:    | Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee, Dr. Shanna Ivey, IACUC Chair Shanna                |
| Subject: | Semiannual Evaluation of Institutional Animal Care and Use program and inspection of facilities |
| Date:    | June 2, 2022  |

This represents the semiannual report of the Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee (IACUC), as required by the PHS Policy on Humane Care and Use of Laboratory Animals and as a condition of this institution's Animal Welfare Assurance on file with the Office of Laboratory Animal Welfare (OLAW), and USDA Animal Welfare Regulations, 9 CFR Chapter I, subchapter A, as applicable.

## **Evaluation of the Animal Care and Use Program**

The IACUC conducted its semiannual evaluation of the institution's animal care and use program on June 2, 2022, using the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, the *Guide for the Care and Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching*, and, as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31. The program review involved discussion of the NMSU protocol review process, the facility inspection process, and other issues related to the animal care program. The OLAW Semiannual Program Review Checklist was used for the program review. The NMSU Animal Care and Use Program conforms to PHS Policy, the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals*, applicable Animal Welfare Regulations, and the *Guide for the Care* and *Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching*.

## Inspection of Animal Facilities

The IACUC inspected the Jornada animal facilities on May 13, 2022, using the *Guide for the Care and Use of Laboratory Animals, the Guide for the Care* and *Use of Agricultural Animals in Research and Teaching* and, as applicable, 9 CFR Chapter I, 2.31.

No major or minor deficiencies were observed. The dedication displayed by this group to animal welfare is appreciated.

**Minority Views: None** 

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