

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Alpha Genesis Inc 95 CASTLE HALL RD YEMASSEE, SC 29945 Customer ID: 905

Certificate: 56-B-0120

Site: 001

ALPHA GENESIS INC

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 25-NOV-2024

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Handling of animals.

Forty-three rhesus macaques escaped from an outdoor primary enclosure due to the points of entry not remaining secure during routine husbandry duties. On November 6, 2024, a group of caretakers were performing daily tasks in their assigned areas. The caretaker assigned to this primary enclosure exited the enclosure to retrieve additional cleaning equipment. During this time, forty-three of the fifty-three rhesus macaques housed therein escaped. Though the employee reported to the facility's Colony Management they had secured the backup door prior to leaving the enclosure, they could not confirm if they locked the doors exclusive for staff entry. Further evaluation of the enclosure showed that the security measures present were adequate, suggesting the housing facilities protocol had not been followed by the caretaker while handling the animals. While the facility has recovered thirty-nine of the primates, four remain at large in the wooded area adjacent to the facility.

When standard operating procedures put in place by the facility are not followed, the outcome can result in more vulnerability to harm, injury, or increased health risks to the animals impacted or unaccounted for. All animal handling shall be done as carefully as possible in a manner that does not cause physical harm or unnecessary discomfort. Corrected by date of inspection on November 25, 2024 and to remain corrected from this date forward.

This	inspection	and ex	xit intervie	w were	conducted	with th	ne facility	representat	ives.

Additional Inspectors:

Jeffrey Shepherd, Assistant Director

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Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

OFFICER

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Species Inspected

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905	56-B-0120	001	ALPHA GENESIS INC	25-NOV-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000119	Macaca fascicularis	CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY
000218	Macaca mulatta	RHESUS MACAQUE
000041	Sapajus appella	BROWN CAPUCHIN / TUFTED CAPUCHIN
000378	Total	