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TO: Virginia Department of Agriculture – Animal Division

FROM: Daniel Fordham- Sergeant / Animal Services Supervisor

REF: Surry County Animal Intake Policy

The Surry County Sheriff's Office Animal Services Division serves all companion, livestock, and wild animals, as well as animal owners within our jurisdiction of Surry County, Virginia. Any companion or livestock animal owned by any resident of Surry County that is stray, unwanted, being kept unlawfully, or living in inadequate conditions, will be taken into custody and brought to our facility. Any feral animal that is injured or in very poor condition will also be captured and brought to our facility. We care for all livestock, fowl, canines, felines, and exotic animals owned by residents of Surry County, Virginia.

Upon intake into this facility, each animal will undergo intake evaluation prior to being placed in either a general population area or the isolation area. All findings will be documented on the approved intake evaluation form attached to the animal intake form. All documents completed will be reviewed, verified, and signed by the Animal Services Sergeant.

The Surry County Sheriff's Office Animal Service's Division has the facility, staff, equipment, training, and means to house them safely and securely while also having the off-site Veterinarian services and on site resources to provide them with adequate and appropriate care.

The Surry County Sheriff's Office Animal Service's Division will respond to wildlife calls for service received to assess the situation and assist the Department of Game and Inland Fisheries prior to our communications division contacting their agency. Any injured or neonate wild animal will be transported to a licensed rehab center where it can be evaluated for medical treatment and release options by this division only if VDGIF is not available to respond to the animal related call for service. The Virginia Department of Game and Inland Fisheries will be notified as to the findings and appropriate measures will be carried out at their instruction solely involving wild animals within this jurisdiction.

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