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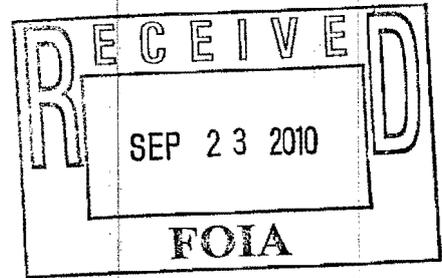


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Visits to Chief Saunooke Bear Park and Cherokee Bear Zoo

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VIA E-MAIL (FOIA.OFFICER@APHIS.USDA.GOV)

**Re: FOIA Request for Records Pertaining to June 2010 Site Visits to Chief Saunooke Bear Park and Cherokee Bear Zoo**

Dear Ms. Woods:

This is a request for agency records made on behalf of People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals ("PETA") pursuant to the Freedom of Information Act, 5 U.S.C. § 552 and the accompanying USDA regulations, 7 C.F.R. §§ 1.1 – 1.25. I hereby request the following records:

1. All records pertaining to Andrea D. Ambrosio's June 2010 site visit to Chief Saunooke Bear Park in Cherokee, NC (Animal Welfare Act (AWA) exhibitor license no. 55-C-0125).
2. All records pertaining to Andrea D. Ambrosio's June 2010 site visit to Cherokee Bear Zoo in Cherokee, NC (AWA exhibitor license no. 55-C-0118).
3. All records pertaining to Dr. Laurie Gage's June 2010 site visit to Chief Saunooke Bear Park in Cherokee, NC (AWA exhibitor license no. 55-C-0125).

4. All records pertaining to Dr. Laurie Gage's June 2010 site visit to Cherokee Bear Zoo in Cherokee, NC (AWA exhibitor license no. 55-C-0118).

5. All additional records pertaining to any and all site visits to Chief Saunooke Bear Park in Cherokee, NC (AWA exhibitor license no. 55-C-0125) and/or Cherokee Bear Zoo in Cherokee, NC (AWA exhibitor license no. 55-C-0118) in June 2010 involving any other USDA staff or consultants who were present at the visits or evaluated information pertaining to the visits.

PETA is a non-profit public interest organization and as such PETA requests that all fees be waived pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(a)(4)(A)(iii) and USDA FOIA regulations, Pt. 1, Subpt. A, App. A, § 6. PETA has no commercial interest in the requested information, and its disclosure will contribute significantly to the public's understanding of APHIS' administration and enforcement of the AWA. For these reasons, the USDA has routinely granted PETA a fee waiver. However, should you need additional information to process this request for a fee waiver, please let me know as soon as possible.

If you have any questions about this request, please contact me at  
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or

Sincerely,

Delcianna Winders