

RE: Chinchilla farm inspection

From: Hughes, Marie Julie AFF:s.15
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To: Gunvaldsen, Rayna AFF:EX <Rayna.Gunvaldsen@gov.bc.ca>, Viney, Ursula E
AFF:EX <Ursula.Viney@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: May 3, 2021 1:39:59 PM PDT

Attachments: image003.jpg, image006.jpg, image002.jpg

Hi Rayna,

It is a ^{s.79} to the chinchilla farm – so we could do the full roundtrip in one day without having to be concerned with overnight accommodations. Based on the email I sent earlier to Ursula, which of the three days I suggested would work best for you? Or is there another veterinarian that could come in your place?

Thanks,

Julie

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Subject: RE: Chinchilla farm inspection

Hi Ursula,

I will communicate with Rayna and get something scheduled. I can always go by myself or with another vet this Wednesday, if it doesn't work with Rayna's schedule. Or Thursday, May 13th or Wednesday, May 19th – they look like relatively light days on Rayna's calendar presently.

Julie

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From: Viney, Ursula E AFF:EX <Ursula.Viney@gov.bc.ca>

Sent: May 3, 2021 9:41 AM

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Subject: Chinchilla farm inspection

Importance: High

Hi, please schedule an inspection on the Chinchilla farm before the end of May. Thanks, Ursula



Ursula Viney, CPA, CGA

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RE: chins

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Cc: Viney, Ursula E AFF:EX <Ursula.Viney@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: June 3, 2021 10:18:24 AM PDT
Attachments: image001.jpg

Hi,

Yes, you have to approve the health management plan.

As per the Fur Farm Regulation 7 (3) A licensed fur farmer must not change a health management plan except with the prior written approval of the chief veterinarian.

Yes, they are required to have a veterinarian;

Again, as per the Fur Farm Regulation 7 (2) (a) the name and contact information of the veterinarian or other person who will be advising on the health of fur bearing animals kept on the fur farm;

However, the farmer does not know of any veterinarians in the area of the province where he is located that know anything about chinchillas (mostly dogs, cats and large animal vets).

Julie

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Cc: Viney, Ursula E AFF:EX <Ursula.Viney@gov.bc.ca>

Subject: chins

Julie, do I have to approve the health management plan for the chins? Are they required to have a veterinarian? I don't know enough about euthanasia for these s.22 so I don't know that I'm comfortable with electrocution as a method unless the farmer can prove to me it's humane (perhaps through they're vet?) AVMA recommendations on rodent euth is gas or cervical dislocation, but like I mentioned yesterday one of s.22

s.22 I think I'm going to recommend s.2 go with the AVMA options or thats.22 could contact the makers of the zephyr and provide me with info on if that works...

Ursula, anybody else in our branch who might be able to advise me on euth methods for rodents?

Thank you both,

Rayna

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Health Management Plan for E and S Chinchillas

From: Hughes, Marie Julie AFF^{s.15}
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To: s.22

Sent: June 14, 2021 12:52:40 PM PDT

Attachments: image003.jpg, Health Management Plan for BC Mink Farmers 2015.docx

Good afternoon,

I just spoke with your^{s.22} regarding the health management plan you are working on for ^{s.2} chinchilla farm, attached is a simple template to assist you with this. Please let me know if I can be of further assistance. As I mentioned^{s.22} we are getting a lot of pressure to produce this document.

Regards,

Julie

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Name of farm here

Veterinary advisor
Name of vet, address and phone number here

Identification and Tracking
summarize here

Vaccination and Treatment Protocols
summarize here

New Stock Protocols
summarize here

Parasite Control
summarize here

Euthanasia Protocols
summarize here

BC Mink Farmers' Animal Health Care Procedures

Name of farm here

General practices:

summarize here

Signs of distress:

summarize here

Treatment

summarize here

Employee:

Signed:

Date:

RE: Just FYI | Article - Georgia Straight re: chinchilla fur farms

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Hi Holly,

Thanks, Ursula shared it yesterday –s.22
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To: Hughes, Marie Julie AFF:EX <MarieJulie.Hughes@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: Just FYI | Article - Georgia Straight re: chinchilla fur farms

Just thought you might be interested in seeing this.

Have a great day

Holly

From: Ghag, Kris CITZ:EX <Kris.Ghag@gov.bc.ca>
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Subject: Article - Georgia Straight re: chinchilla fur farms

Hi Francoise,

FYI and also for sharing with our contact at Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Fisheries in case they weren't already aware - [this article](#) was published over the weekend.

Here's a reference to our FOI requests (from what I can see in AXIS it would be: AGR-2021-11178, partial disclosure; AGR-2021-11653, NRR; AGR-2021-12508; still open)

Records we obtained through freedom-of-information requests revealed that in addition to the 10 active mink farms in the province, B.C. has one chinchilla farm, where these friendly, gentle rodents are being bred, killed, and skinned for their fur.

We requested the health management plan for this chinchilla farm to ensure that these animals are receiving proper care. Under B.C.'s Fur Farm Regulation, the health management plan is a critical document that must be submitted by any fur-farm operator to the Ministry of Agriculture when applying for a fur-farm licence. It contains all the necessary information an operator must have, such as vaccination and treatment protocols, isolation procedures for sick animals, euthanasia protocols, and contact information for veterinarians who advise on the health of animals on the farm.

In response to our request for the health management plan, the ministry responded that no records were located. This raises a troubling question: is the ministry issuing fur-farm licences without meeting the legislated requirements, thereby contravening their own regulations?

This wouldn't be the first time we have seen the Fur Farm Regulation violated in the past year. We obtained documents where government officials described that they witnessed escaped mink on one of B.C.'s fur farms. This is a violation and offence under the Fur Farm Regulation, and, to our knowledge, no penalty has been imposed for this violation.

We also received documents that revealed that B.C.'s mink-farm industry operates at a minimum of one staff per 1,000 mink. The Fur Farm Regulation requires that every animal on a fur farm must be observed daily to determine the animal's health and condition and have each observation recorded. With a 1:1,000 worker-to-animal ratio, this is an onerous task to ensure animals are adequately cared for, to the extent that this regulation is likely not being met, let alone enforced by government officials.

Thanks,

Kris Ghag

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FW: FYI chinchilla fur farm in the media

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Sent: June 22, 2021 8:16:23 AM PDT
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Here's the article I mentioned yesterday.

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Subject: FYI chinchilla fur farm in the media

FYI from last Monday if you hadn't already seen it.

BC's lone chinchilla fur farm is a symbol of broader government failures

The Georgia Straight
Friday, June 11, 2021

By Lesley Fox

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Farm Status and PST exempt?

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Sent: June 30, 2021 4:09:46 PM PDT

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BC Farmers' Health Management Plan
Name of farm here

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Veterinary advisor
Name of vet, address and phone number here

s.79

Identification and Tracking

Each chinchilla is given a numbered card when they are born based on the year and sex which identifies the animal from birth to death as was taught by the now s.79

Vaccination and Treatment Protocols

No vaccinations required. Watch for food left more than 2 days and check that the waterers are working properly. Check for tooth problems which can occur in rodents.

New Stock Protocols

There has been no new stock from off the farm s.79
s.79

Parasite Control

None used

Euthanasia Protocols

Electrocution

BC Farmers' Animal Health Care Procedures

Name of farm here

s.79

General practices:

Feed once daily about 2 tbsp of 18 % rabbit pellets or special Chinchilla feed.

Check water bucket levels daily and fill as needed.

Make sure feed is fresh and kept away from other rodents which could transmit disease.

Make sure all animals have access to clean water as needed

Do a visual check on the animals twice daily.

Fix waterers as needed.

Clean cages weekly or as needed if the cage gets too dirty or wet.

Ensure when cleaning cages that the animals have a wood block or special lava rock to chew on in each cage to help keep teeth in check.

Provide Chinchilla dust for bathing 2-4 times per month

Signs of distress:

Hyperactivity and a "duck-like chirp" when animals are exposed to new situations

Stops eating

Treatment

Check animal is getting water

Encourage eating- with a couple of oat flakes or blades of grass, small berry

Euthanize as vets are pretty unfamiliar with these rodents if the animal is suffering.

Employee: s.79

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Signed: s.79

Date: June 18 2021

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RE: Health Management Plan for E and S

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Sent: July 5, 2021 3:23:35 PM PDT
Attachments: image001.jpg, image003.jpg

Yes, very helpful. Thank you.
Rayna

From: Hughes, Marie Julie AFF:EX <MarieJulie.Hughes@gov.bc.ca>
Sent: July 5, 2021 11:34 AM
To: Gunvaldsen, Rayna AFF:EX <Rayna.Gunvaldsen@gov.bc.ca>; Viney, Ursula E AFF:EX <Ursula.Viney@gov.bc.ca>
Subject: RE: Health Management Plan for s.79

Hi Rayna,

No, the herd veterinarian is not required to sign off on the herd health management plan. As per the Fur Farm Regulation, the health management plan must include "the name and contact information of the veterinarian or other person who will be advising on the health of fur bearing animals kept on the farm;" and "A licensed fur farmer must not change a health management plan except with the prior written approval of the chief veterinarian."

Also as per the Fur Farm Regulation:

Death of animals

10 (1)A licensed fur farmer must establish protocols for euthanizing fur bearing animals kept on the fur farm.

(2)A licensed fur farmer must ensure that

- (a)fur bearing animals kept on the fur farm are euthanized only in accordance with the protocols established under subsection (1), and
- (b)records are kept detailing the number of fur bearing animals on the fur farm that die of any cause.

Hope this helps.

Julie

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Subject: RE: Health Management Plan for s.79

Thank you Julie. Do you recall if the herd veterinarian is supposed to sign off on the herd health management plan, or if they just have to have one? I'm going to need more information on the euthanasia protocols and assurance it is considered humane before I can accept the plan.

Rayna

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Subject: Health Management Plan for s.79

Rayna, please review.

Julie

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Subject: Farm Status and PST exempt?

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Veterinary advisor
Name of vet, address and phone number here

Identification and Tracking

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Vaccination and Treatment Protocols

No vaccinations required. Watch for food left more than 2 days and check that the waterers are working properly. Check for tooth problems which can occur in rodents.

New Stock Protocols

There has been no new stock from off the farm s.79

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Parasite Control

None used

Euthanasia Protocols

Electrocution

BC Farmers' Animal Health Care Procedures

Name of farm here
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General practices:

Feed once daily about 2 tbsp of 18 % rabbit pellets or special Chinchilla feed.

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Make sure feed is fresh and kept away from other rodents which could transmit disease.

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Do a visual check on the animals twice daily.

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Stops eating

Treatment

Check animal is getting water
Encourage eating- with a couple of oat flakes or blades of grass, small berry
Euthanize as vets are pretty unfamiliar with these rodents if the animal is suffering.

Employee: No employees- ^{s.79}
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Signed: ^{s.79}

Date: June 18 2021

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E and S Licenses

From: Hughes, Marie Julie AFF:s.15
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Sent: July 7, 2021 2:07:17 PM PDT

Attachments: image002.jpg, Scan_20210707.pdf

As mentioned, we do not normally keep copies of licenses on file, the attached are re-printed from MALS (Ministry of Agriculture Licensing System) using a date of when the license renewal document was date stamped as received.

Julie

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Livestock Health Management and Regulation

Under the authority of the Animal Health Act (SBC 2014) c.16, Fur Farm Regulations

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Is issued a

FUR FARM LICENCE

Licence Number: s.79

Issued: April 6, 2021

Expires: March 31, 2022

Details

SPECIES: Chinchilla

Site Address: s.79

Dr. Rayna Gunvaldsen, Chief Veterinarian



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FUR FARM LICENCE

Licence Number: s.79

Issued: March 20, 2019

Expires: March 31, 2020

Details

SPECIES: Chinchilla

Dr. Jane Pritchard, Chief Veterinarian



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FUR FARM LICENCE

Licence Number: s.79

Issued: February 14, 2018

Expires: March 31, 2019

Details

SPECIES: Chinchilla

Dr. Jane Pritchard, Chief Veterinarian



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Licence Number: s.79

Issued: March 20, 2017

Expires: March 31, 2018

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SPECIES: Chinchilla

Dr. Jane Pritchard, Chief Veterinarian



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FUR FARM LICENCE

Licence Number: s.79

Issued: February 26, 2016

Expires: March 31, 2017

Details

SPECIES: Chinchilla

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Licence Number: s.79

Issued: March 17, 2015

Expires: March 31, 2016

Details

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Subject: FW: Health Management Plan for^{s.79}

FYI, my response to^{s.79}

From: Chief Veterinarian AFF:EX
Sent: July 5, 2021 3:32 PM
To: s.79
Subject: Health Management Plan for^{s.79}

s.79 thank you for sending the health management plan for^{s.79} Could more detail be provided for the euthanasia protocol? Additionally, I would like to see a reference or an explanation of what standard is being followed to ensure the method of euthanasia is considered humane for chinchillas. Is the same protocol used for harvest as well as euthanasia for compassionate reasons? Are all age groups euthanized in the same manner if it's needed? Your veterinarian should be able to assist with this if necessary.
Thank you so much,
Rayna

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Date: June 18 2021

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Fur Farm Inspection Check List

Site Location: s.79

Date: May 20, 2021 s.79

Inspection Team: Julie Hughes and Erin Cuthbert

- ☐ Farm meets all applicable federal, provincial and municipal land use regulations
- ☒ Site has sufficient supply of good quality drinking water to meet the needs of the chinchilla and the on-site needs for cleaning and other farm activities.

Housing

- ☒ Sheds provide protection from extreme weather conditions.
- ☒ Sheds are designed to allow adequate space, light and access for stock people to observe and care for the animals.

Nest Boxes

- ☒ Nest boxes are designed to hold adequate bedding and allow for good nesting behavior in a comfortable, safe and secluded place.
- ☒ Nest boxes are appropriate size to accommodate all animals in the pen comfortably at the same time.
- ☒ If feeding on nest box lid, kits are able to easily access the feed.

Bedding

- ☒ Bedding is clean and dry.

Environment

- ☒ Chinchilla are exposed to minimum number of continuous hours of daylight.
- ☒ Sheds and buildings are consistent and adequate to allow airflow.

Feed

- ☒ Waste feed is removed before providing fresh feed.
- ☒ Feed carts used to deliver wet feed are cleaned and sanitized regularly.

Record Keeping

- Herd Health Management Plan in place, including:
 - Vet-Client-Patient relationship
 - Chinchilla Identification System
 - Vaccination and treatment records
 - Tracking mortalities
- ❖ Current license and inventory maintained for any provincial/federal/municipal requirements.



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Nest Boxes

- ☒ Nest boxes are designed to hold adequate bedding and allow for good nesting behavior in a comfortable, safe and secluded place.
- ☒ Nest boxes are appropriate size to accommodate all animals in the pen comfortably at the same time.
- ☒ If feeding on nest box lid, kits are able to easily access the feed. s.79
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Bedding

- ☒ Bedding is clean and dry.

Environment

- ☒ Chinchilla are exposed to minimum number of continuous hours of daylight.
- ☒ Sheds and buildings are consistent and adequate to allow airflow.

Feed - Rabbit pellet

- ☒ Waste feed is removed before providing fresh feed.
- ☒ Feed carts used to deliver wet feed are cleaned and sanitized regularly.

Record Keeping

Herd Health Management Plan in place, including:

- Vet-Client-Patient relationship
 - ✓ Chinchilla Identification System
 - Vaccination and treatment records
 - Tracking mortalities
- ❖ Current license and inventory maintained for any provincial/federal/municipal requirements.



May 28, 2021

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Dear^{s.79} :

Subject: Chinchilla Ranch Inspection – May 20, 2021

Thank you for taking time out of your busy schedule to walk myself and Erin Cuthbert, through your farm on Thursday, May 20, 2021. It is obvious that you care about your animals and are knowledgeable in their care.

Overall the farm and facilities meet the applicable federal, provincial and municipal land use regulations.

As discussed, please submit details of your Herd Health Management Plan by June 30, 2021.

Keep up the good work.

Sincerely,

Julie Hughes
Compliance, Operations and Data Officer

Information provided by s.79

May 31/21.

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Please let me know if you need any other information.

Rare

Thank you. at least the contact points appear correct. Would be interesting to know if the voltage and contact time is proper...

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Unfortunately I don't know where we would get that information - the code of practice from Ontario doesn't specify.

Rare

yeah, I don't know either...AVMA? OMAFRA?