***Western Carolina University
Institutional Animal Care and Use Committee***

**Animal Use Protocol
Semi-Annual Report of Animal Use and Project Status**

This form must be submitted to the WCU IACUC every six months after protocol approval. Complete and submit a separate form for each active protocol.

 This submission serves as:

[ ]  Notification of protocol continuation

[ ]  Notification of protocol termination

Return the completed form to IACUC@wcu.edu

1. **Administrative Information**

IACUC Project Number:

Study Title:

Principal Investigator:

1. **Animal Use and Progress Report**
	1. Briefly describe the progress of the study to date:
	2. Provide an accounting of animal usage during the past 6 months. Attach additional sheets if necessary.

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| **Species (use common name)** | **USDA Pain Category on original submisison (B,C,D,E)** | **Total Number Approved on original submission** | **Total number used since the last date of IACUC approval** |
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| **USDA Pain & Distress Categories** |
| B | Animals are held for breeding purposes or observation (ex. Camera trapping studies) |
| C | Minimal, transient, or no pain/distress (ex. Live trapping, AVMA approved euthanasia) |
| D | Pain or distress relieved by appropriate measures (ex. surgery, biopsies, limb-snips) |
| E | Unrelieved pain or distress (ex. Food deprivation, immobilization of conscious animal) |

1. **Unanticipated or Adverse Events**
	1. Have there been any complaints, unanticipated problems, or serious adverse events since the project was last reviewed?

 [ ]  No

 [ ]  Yes. If yes, please ensure you have completed and submitted an Adverse Event Form.

* 1. Since the last review, have there been any findings from the study or relevant literature that may impact the study or animal welfare?

 [ ]  No

 [ ]  Yes. If yes, provide detailed explanation:

1. **Principal Investigator Statement**

By submitting this application, the Principal Investigator certifies the statements made in this request are accurate and complete. The Principal Investigator accepts responsibility for ensuring that all aspects of the study procedures are completed as described in the IACUC approved application and agrees to comply with all IACUC communication. The Principal Investigator will not commence work on the procedures described in this proposal until notice of approval is received from the IACUC.

The Principal Investigator will:

* Immediately inform the IACUC of any unexpected or emergent problems or study deviations that impact the welfare of the study animals
* Submit written amendments and receive IACUC approval prior to initiating significant procedural changes
* Train all research personnel in appropriate animal care and us3
* Retain all documents and correspondence with the IACUC related to these study procedures for at least three years

 PI Signature Date