**DPIRD Animal Ethics Committee (AEC)**

**Unexpected Adverse Event Report**

**Reference:**

* The Australian code for the care and use of animals for scientific purposes 8th edition (2013).

**Information:**

* **Unexpected adverse event (UAE):** an event that may have a negative impact on the wellbeing of animals, or compromise the project or activity, and was not foreshadowed in the approved project or activity.
* If an Unexpected Adverse Event occurs, **DPIRD AEC must be notified within 24 hours of discovery. Any further information can be added as it becomes available.** If you don't have enough information to complete a detailed unexpected adverse event report immediately, provide a brief preliminary notification to the AEC to advise that you'll provide a fully detailed unexpected adverse event report later.
* Prompt actions must be taken to alleviate unanticipated pain and distress and must take precedence over an individual animal reaching the planned endpoint of the project, or the continuation or completion of the project. Adverse impacts must be addressed rapidly and animals must receive appropriate treatment or be humanely killed without delay.
* The Facility Manager must immediately inform the Principal Investigator (PI) of unexpected adverse events relating to animals for which the facility manager is responsible.
* Complete each section of this form and email to [AnimalEthicsOffice@dpird.wa.gov.au](mailto:AnimalEthicsOffice@dpird.wa.gov.au)
* The efficient use of relevant photos or videos to assist the AEC is encouraged.

**Details of the incident:**

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| **Principal Investigator (PI):** |  |
| **AEC Project No:** |  |
| **Project Title:** |  |
| **Location / facility:** |  |
| **Species:** |  |
| **Breed / sex / age (if applicable):** |  |
| **Number of animals dead or euthanased:** |  |
| **Number of animals affected - treated or recovered:** |  |
| **Fate of affected animals:** |  |
| **Date of UAE** *(when did the UAE occur and when was it discovered)***.** |  |
| **Date of this report** |  |
| **Event description & circumstances leading up to the event:** |  |
| **Outline the immediate actions taken:** *(immediate response, treatments provided, euthanasia and method of euthanasia, post-mortem exam etc.)* |  |
| **Summarise the results from investigations taken / tests carried out** *(pathology, post-mortem or veterinary examination - attach reports if available).* |  |
| **What is the probable cause of the UAE?** |  |
| **Has the UAE impacted the project in any way?**  *(if so, provide details)* |  |
| **What actions / precautions will be taken to prevent any recurrence?** |  |

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| **Will a project amendment be required?** | Yes  No |

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| **PI or person notifying this event** *(if not the PI, then their role in the project):* |  | | |
| **Signature:** |  | **Date:** |  |