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In Reply Refer To:
DOI-FWS-2021-005156

March 3, 2022

Via email: bearwarriorsunited@gmail.com

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Dear Ms. Shadix:

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Headquarters Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) Office received your FOIA request dated July 21, 2021, and assigned it control number DOI-FWS-2021-005156. Please cite this number in any future communications with our office regarding your request.

You requested the following:

- *“...manatee intake/medical reports from SeaWorld and all other manatee rehabbers from January 12020 to present*
- *...all pictures of Emaciated Manatees and Corresponding Reports for 2020 and 2021”.*

Response

Due to ongoing vacancies in the Headquarters FOIA office, we apologize for this delay in responding to your request. We have enclosed nineteen (19) documents, consisting of eight thousand three hundred and six (8,306) pages, which are being released in their entirety.

Fees

We have classified you as an “other-use” requester. Because the cost of processing your request was less than \$50.00, there is no billable fee for processing this request, as the cost of collection would be greater than the fee collected. See [43 C.F.R. § 2.37\(g\)](#). Therefore, there is no billable fee for the processing of this request.

Mediation/Dispute Resolution

If after contacting us as described below, you need further information or assistance with your request, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, Natasha Alcantara by email at doifoiapublicliaison@sol.doi.gov.

If you need further information or assistance after contacting the Department's FOIA Public Liaison, you may wish to seek dispute resolution services from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). The 2007 FOIA amendments created the OGIS to offer mediation services to resolve disputes between FOIA requesters and Federal agencies as a non-exclusive alternative to litigation. Using OGIS services does not affect your right to pursue litigation. You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways:

Office of Government Information Services
National Archives and Records Administration
8601 Adelphi Road - OGIS
College Park, MD 20740-6001
E-mail: ogis@nara.gov
Web: <https://www.archives.gov/ogis>
Telephone: 202-741-5770
Fax: 202-741-5769
Toll-free: 1-877-684-6448

Please note that using the Department's FOIA Public Liaison or OGIS services does not affect the timing of filing an appeal with the Department's FOIA & Privacy Act Appeals Officer.

Conclusion

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See [5 U.S.C. 552\(c\)](#). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification that is given to all our requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

This is our final response and closes your request DOI-FWS-2021-005156. If you have any questions about our response to your request, you may me, by email at fwhq_foia@fws.gov, by phone (703) 358-2239, or by mail at U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service; ATTN: FOIA Office; 5275 Leesburg Pike; MS: IRTM; Falls Church, VA 22041.

Sincerely,

Barbara Beckett
FWS FOIA Coordinator

Enclosures