

Platte County Jail Inspection 2025-006-130

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ODO ASSISTED SELF-INSPECTION of the PLATTE COUNTY JAIL

Wheatland, Wyoming

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FACILITY OVERVIEW

The U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR) Office of Detention Oversight (ODO) conducted an ODO assisted self-inspection process (OASIP) inspection of the Platte County Jail (PCJ) in Wheatland, Wyoming, from May 14 to June 12, 2025, which included a 1-day on-site visit on June 12, 2025. The facility opened in 2000 and is owned by Platte County and operated by Platte County Sheriff's Office. The ICE Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) began housing detainees at PCJ in 2000 under the oversight of ERO's Field Office Director in Denver (ERO Denver). ICE is an authorized user of this facility under a United States Marshals Service Intergovernmental Agreement contract, which does not specify an ICE National Detention Standard (NDS). ODO inspected PCJ against the NDS 2019, which is the NDS listed on the ERO Custody Management Division Authorized Facility List as of June 9, 2025.

A captain handles daily facility operations and manages 25 support personnel. Platte County provides food services and medical care, and Swanson Services Corporation provides commissary services at the facility. The facility does not hold any accreditations from any outside entities. In March 2024, PCJ was audited for the Department of Justice (DOJ) Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) and was DOJ PREA certified.

Capacity and Population Statistics	Quantity	
ICE Bed Capacity. ²		
Average ICE Population ³		
Adult Male Population (as of June 12, 2025)		
Adult Female Population (as of June 12, 2025)		

This is ODO's first inspection of PCJ.

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¹ This facility holds male and female detainees with low, medium-low, medium-high, and high security classification levels for periods less than 72 hours.

² Data Source: ERO Custody Management Division Authorized Facility List as of June 9, 2025.

³ Ibid.

ODO ASSISTED SELF-INSPECTION PROCESS

In FY 2025, ODO implemented an OASIP, which replaces the annual Special Review inspections ODO conducted at most low average daily population (ADP) and/or short-term use facilities. This new inspection framework is more reflective of the actual operational demand of facilities with a low ADP and/or short-term use. OASIP inspections focus on facility compliance with ICE NDS 2019 requirements that directly affect detainee life, health, safety, and/or well-being, and have corresponding Federal Performance Based Detention Standards requirements. Facilities have 30 calendar days to complete the OASIP inspection and ODO staff will go on site towards the end of the 30-day inspection window to observe facility conditions, interview ICE detainees, and spotcheck the facility's reported findings.

ODO identifies violations of ICE detention standards, ICE policies, or operational procedures, as "deficiencies." ODO highlights instances when the facility resolves deficiencies prior to completion of the ODO inspection as corrective actions. Where applicable, these corrective actions are annotated with "C" under the ODO Assisted Self-Inspection Findings section of this report.

Upon completion of each inspection, ODO conducts a closeout briefing with facility and local ERO officials to discuss preliminary findings. A summary of these findings is shared with ERO management officials. Thereafter, ODO provides ICE leadership with a final compliance inspection report to: (i) assist ERO in developing and initiating corrective action plans; and (ii) provide senior executives with an independent assessment of facility operations. ODO's findings inform ICE executive management in their decision-making to better allocate resources across the agency's entire detention inventory.

FINDINGS BY NATIONAL DETENTION STANDARDS 2019 **MAJOR CATEGORIES**

NDS 2019 Standards Inspected. ⁴	Deficiencies			
Part 1 - Safety				
Environmental Health and Safety	0			
Sub-Total	0			
Part 2 - Security				
Admission and Release	0			
Custody Classification System	0			
Use of Force and Restraints	0			
Staff-Detainee Communication	0			
Sexual Abuse and Assault Prevention and Intervention	0			
Sub-Total	0			
Part 4 - Care				
Food Service	0			
Medical Care	0			
Personal Hygiene	0			
Sub-Total	0			
Part 6 - Justice				
Grievance System	0			
Sub-Total	0			
Total Deficiencies	0			

⁴ For greater detail on ODO's findings, see the ODO Assisted Self-Inspection Findings section of this report.

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DETAINEE RELATIONS

The facility's ICE detainee population count was zero during the on-site inspection; therefore, ODO did not conduct any detainee interviews. Despite the facility housing no detainees during the on-site inspection, the facility maintains an active contract to house ICE detainees and had an ADP of 1 ICE detainee for FY 2024.

ODO ASSISTED SELF-INSPECTION FINDINGS

ODO found no deficiencies during the inspection.

CONCLUSION

During this OASIP, ODO assessed the facility's compliance with 10 standards under NDS 2019 and found the facility in compliance with all 10 standards. This was ODO's first inspection of PCJ, and therefore, no previous data was available for a trend analysis. ODO recommends ERO Denver continue to work with the facility to ensure the facility maintains its high level of compliance with NDS 2019.

Compliance Inspection Results Compared	No Previous ODO Inspection	FY 2025 OASIP (NDS 2019)
Standards Reviewed	N/A	10
Deficient Standards	N/A	0
Overall Number of Deficiencies	N/A	0
Priority Component Deficiencies	N/A	0
Repeat Deficiencies	N/A	N/A
Areas Of Concern	N/A	0
Corrective Actions	N/A	0
Facility Rating	N/A	Superior



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