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**Rolling Plains Detention Center
Haskell, Texas**

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**FOLLOW-UP COMPLIANCE INSPECTION
of the
ROLLING PLAINS DETENTION CENTER
Haskell, Texas**

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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 a follow-up compliance inspection of the Rolling Plains Detention Center (RPDC) in Haskell, Texas, from July 12 to 14, 2022.¹ This inspection focused on the standards found deficient during ODO’s last inspection of RPDC from December 13 to 16, 2021. The facility opened in 2018 and is owned by the City of Haskell and operated by LaSalle Corrections. The ICE Office of Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) began housing detainees at RPDC in 2000 under the oversight of ERO’s Field Office Director in Dallas (ERO Dallas). The facility operates under the National Detention Standards (NDS) 2000.

ERO does not have any detention staff assigned to the facility. A warden handles daily facility operations and manages [REDACTED] support personnel. LaSalle Corrections provides food services and medical care, and Correct Commissary provides commissary services at the facility. The facility does not hold any accreditations from any outside entities.

Capacity and Population Statistics	Quantity
ICE Bed Capacity ²	[REDACTED]
Average ICE Population ³	[REDACTED]
Adult Male Population (as of July 12, 2022)	[REDACTED]
Adult Female Population (as of July 12, 2022)	[REDACTED]

During its last inspection, in Fiscal Year (FY) 2022, ODO found two deficiencies in the following areas: Correspondence and Other Mail (1) and Medical Care (1).

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

² Data Source: ERO Facility List as of July 5, 2022.

³ *Ibid.*

FOLLOW-UP COMPLIANCE INSPECTION PROCESS

ODO conducts oversight inspections of ICE detention facilities with an average daily population of 10 or more detainees, and where detainees are housed for longer than 72 hours, to assess compliance with ICE National Detention Standards. These inspections focus solely on facility compliance with detention standards that directly affect detainee life, health, safety, and/or well-being. In FY 2021, to meet congressional requirements, ODO began conducting follow-up inspections at all ICE ERO detention facilities, which ODO inspected earlier in the FY.

While follow-up inspections are intended to focus on previously identified deficiencies, ODO will conduct a complete review of several core standards, which include but are not limited to Medical Care, Hunger Strikes, Suicide Prevention, Food Service, Environmental Health and Safety, Emergency Plans, Use of Force and Restraints/Use of Physical Control Measures and Restraints, Admission and Release, Classification, and Funds and Personal Property. ODO may decide to conduct a second full inspection of a facility in the same FY based on additional information obtained prior to ODO's arrival on-site. Factors ODO will consider when deciding to conduct a second full inspection will include the total number of deficiencies cited during the first inspection, the number of deficient standards found during the first inspection, the completion status of the first inspection's uniform corrective action plan (UCAP), and other information ODO obtains from internal and external sources ahead of the follow-up compliance inspection. Conditions found during the inspection may also lead ODO to assess new areas and identify new deficiencies or areas of concern should facility practices run contrary to ICE standards. Any areas found non-compliant during both inspections are annotated as "Repeat Deficiencies" in this report.

FINDINGS BY NATIONAL DETENTION STANDARDS 2000 MAJOR CATEGORIES

NDS 2000 Standards Inspected ^{4,5}	Deficiencies
Part 1 - Detainee Services	
Admission and Release	0
Correspondence and Other Mail	0
Detainee Classification System	0
Detainee Grievance Procedures	0
Food Service	3
Funds and Personal Property	0
Recreation	0
Staff-Detainee Communication	0
Telephone Access	0
Sub-Total	3
Part 2 - Security and Control	
Emergency Plans	0
Environmental Health and Safety	1
Security Inspections	0
Special Management Unit (Administrative Segregation)	0
Special Management Unit (Disciplinary Segregation)	0
Use of Force	0
Sub-Total	1
Part 3 - Health Services	
Hunger Strikes	0
Medical Care	0
Suicide Prevention and Intervention	0
Sub-Total	0
Total Deficiencies	4

⁴ For greater detail on ODO's findings, see the *Follow-up Compliance Inspection Findings* section of this report.

⁵ Beginning in FY 2022, ODO instituted a process of rotating all standards on a 3-year basis. As a result, some standard components may not be present in all standards.

DETAINEE RELATIONS

ODO interviewed six detainees, who each voluntarily agreed to participate. ODO attempted to interview other detainees housed at the facility, but all declined ODO's request for an interview. None of the detainees made allegations of discrimination, mistreatment, or abuse. Most detainees reported satisfaction with facility services except for the concern listed below.

Medical Care: One detainee stated he has not received an update for a scheduled appointment with a specialist for a dental issue.

- Action Taken: On July 12, 2022, ODO interviewed the health services administrator, reviewed the detainee's medical file, and confirmed an orthodontist appointment for July 26, 2022. On July 13, 2022, ODO informed the detainee of his orthodontist appointment but did not disclose the exact date for security reasons. ODO followed-up with ERO Dallas after the inspection concluded and learned that on July 26, 2022, an orthodontist examined and treated the detainee.

FOLLOW-UP COMPLIANCE INSPECTION FINDINGS

DETAINEE SERVICES

FOOD SERVICE (FS)

ODO toured and inspected the food service department and found the facility did not remove or cover overhead pipes. Specifically, ODO observed food items stored beneath uncovered and leaking pipes in the two walk-in refrigerator/freezers (**Deficiency FS-310⁶**).

ODO toured and inspected the food service department and found no routine cleaning of the walls, floors, and ceilings. Specifically, ODO observed food debris and splatter on the walls, food debris and trash on all floors in food service, and excessive dust and dirt on the ceilings (**Deficiency FS-311⁷**).

ODO toured the food service department and observed heavy grease buildup on the hood system in the baking area (**Deficiency FS-312⁸**).

⁶ "All facilities shall meet the following environmental standards: ...

b. Overhead pipes removed or covered, to eliminate the food-safety hazard posed by leaking or dusty pipes." See ICE NDS 2000, Standard, Food Service, Section (III)(H)(5)(b).

⁷ "All facilities shall meet the following environmental standards: ...

c. Routinely cleaned walls, floors, and ceilings in all areas." See ICE NDS 2000, Standard, Food Service, Section (III)(H)(5)(c).

⁸ "All facilities shall meet the following environmental standards: ...

d. Ventilation hoods, to prevent grease buildup and wall/ceiling condensation that can drip into food or onto food-contact surfaces. Filters or other grease-extracting equipment shall be readily removable for cleaning and replacement." See ICE NDS 2000, Standard, Food Service, Section (III)(H)(5)(d).

SECURITY AND CONTROL

ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SAFETY (EHS)

ODO reviewed facility policies, sanitation procedures, and the sanitation plan, toured three detainee housing units, and found the facility did not maintain environmental health conditions at a level, which meets recognized hygiene standards for housing units. Specifically, ODO found showers in all three housing units had significant peeling paint, microbial growth, discoloration of shower floor pans, and soap scum buildup. In housing units J5 and J6, a significant amount of dust accumulated in the air intake vents and a homemade, plaster-like substance obstructed air flow in each air output vent. Additionally, the toilets in 11 cells in J4 and 1 toilet in J6 had significant rust and stains (**Deficiency EHS-127⁹**).

ODO toured the facility and observed a significant presence of insects (both dead and alive) in the light fixtures and throughout the facility. ODO reviewed facility pest control documentation and confirmed monthly inspections and treatment by a pest control service; however, ODO found the continued presence of insects as an **Area of Concern**.

CONCLUSION

During this inspection, ODO assessed the facility's compliance with 18 standards under NDS 2000 and found the facility in compliance with 16 of those standards. ODO found four deficiencies in the remaining two standards. Despite the low number of deficiencies, ODO found the facility's overall cleanliness in the FS areas and the detainee housing units to be concerning. ODO recommends ERO work with the facility to resolve any deficiencies that remain outstanding in accordance with contractual obligations. ODO has not received the UCAP plan for ODO's last inspection of RPDC which occurred in December 2021.

Compliance Inspection Results Compared	First FY 2022 (NDS 2000)	Second FY 2022 (NDS 2000)
Standards Reviewed	22	18
Deficient Standards	2	2
Overall Number of Deficiencies	2	4
Repeat Deficiencies	0	0
Areas Of Concern	0	1
Corrective Actions	0	0
Facility Rating	Superior	N/A

⁹ "Environmental health conditions will be maintained at a level that meets recognized standards of hygiene." See ICE NDS 2000, Standard, Environmental Health and Safety, Section (III)(R)(1).