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Katie Cheesbrough **Executive Director** Wyoming Wild Sheep Foundation

Dear Katie Cheesbrough,

This document serves as the final report on the project, "Construction project for animals in captive research center." As of today, all aspects of this project are completed and all funds granted for this project have been spent.

The final dimensions of the enclosure are approximately 300' x 90' with a 52' x 54' catch pen. creating a total space of approximately 0.7 acres. The enclosure is surrounded by an 8' tall fence with a 3' overhang and exterior electrical wiring to discourage predators from entering the enclosure. We installed a heated waterer, enrichment items, and we've constructed a metal leanto (20'w x 10'd x 7'h) as shelter from wind and snow. Currently, this enclosure contains a group of nine hand-raised sheep which were moved into this pen in November 2021; all sheep have been doing well. The location and layout of this enclosure allows for these sheep to be worked through our bighorn sheep handling facility for routine feet trims, respiratory sampling, etc.

On behalf of the Wyoming Game and Fish Department and the staff at the Thorne/Williams Wildlife Research Center, I would like to thank you, the Board, and membership of the Wyoming Wild Sheep Foundation for funding this project.

Sincerely,

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