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SUBJECT: Agricultural Research Service Northeast Area Facility's Condition and Security

The Office of Inspector General performed an evaluation of an Agricultural Research Service (ARS) facility's physical condition and security. We analyzed information on ARS facilities and selected a site for evaluation. To conduct our evaluation, we performed a site visit and toured the facility and grounds, with a focus on observing if the facility's conditions and physical security were in compliance with the Department of Homeland Security and the Department of Agriculture guidance. **This report contains sensitive content. It is being withheld from public release due to concerns about the risk of circumvention of law.**

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