

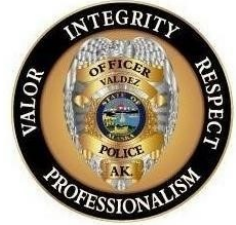


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## Kennel Renovation Project Justification Report

When I first came on as ACO the epoxy type of coating on the kennel drains were badly flaking and the debris was causing some periodic clogging of the drain system which required the maintenance crew to come and clear.

Then three years ago staff noted that the kennel trough drains were failing and in some areas had actually completely rotted through and water with cleaning chemicals were going into the substrate under the concrete. The drains continue to fail with much more deterioration occurring. Request was made to initiate the renovation project to correct this problem.

Black Mold was discovered beneath the FRP panels in numerous areas of the kennel which was passed along to Capital Facilities so economies of scale could be used to correct both issues.

The current project manager at that time, Jessica McKay had White Environmental Consultants conduct a "Microbial IAQ Screening". Their report dated October 14, 2017 confirmed the presence of airborne *Aspergillus/Penicillium* (ASP/PEN) spores which can pose some degree of health risks. Their report in summary recommended complete removal of all gypsum board and decontamination.

This report is a very brief synopsis of why and how this project came to be, primarily to address the Health and Safety concerns to protect the animals, staff, and general public.

Due to the potential health and safety risks I recommend this project be a very high priority for the City.

Respectfully

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