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10 Emaciated Cows, 1 Longhorn Rescued Among Farm Animal Carcasses in Liberty County

Starving Animals Left to Fend for Themselves Living Among Partially Decomposed Animals

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(HOUSTON) February 23, 2023 – Several members of the Houston SPCA Animal Cruelty Investigations team, Liberty County Sheriff's Office and Dayton Police Department's Animal Control spent the morning rescuing 11 emaciated farm animals including two bulls, six heifers, two bull calves and a longhorn. The starving animals were discovered living among five decomposed cattle including what appears to be two juvenile longhorns on a property thick with mud and littered with debris off FM 1960 Road East in Dayton, approximately one hour northeast of Houston.



Officials at the scene said the animals had been abandoned with no access to food or water. All the animals were removed from the property and are receiving individualized medical treatment from Houston SPCA veterinary staff as well as the equine and farm animal team.

Liberty County Sheriff's Department served a search warrant that allowed the Houston SPCA to rescue the animals and bring them into their care. The owner could face up to two years in prison and a \$10,000 fine for animal cruelty. The Houston SPCA's 10-member animal cruelty investigations team works very closely with local law enforcement in and around the greater Houston area to end cruelty including Liberty County and Dayton PD, and nine other surrounding Texas counties. Report animal cruelty by calling 713.869.7722 or online at www.houstonspca.org.

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