



## MISSISSIPPI STATE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

December 4, 2024

The Honorable Tate Reeves  
Governor of the State of Mississippi  
Walter Sillers State Office Building  
550 High Street – 19<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Jackson, Mississippi 39201

**RE:** The 2024 Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman Annual Sanitation Inspection Report  
November 18-20, 2024

Governor Reeves:

In compliance with Section 47-5-94, of the Mississippi Code of 1972, we are submitting the attached report regarding the inspection of the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman, Mississippi.

The 2024 Sanitation Inspection was conducted by Rayford E. Horton, Public Health Officer, of the Mississippi Department of Health (MSDH), Division of Institutional Services.

The Mississippi State Department of Health is thankful for the opportunity to promote and protect the health of Mississippians. Please contact our Office of Environmental Health at (601) 364-5780 with any comments or concerns.

Sincerely,



Daniel Edney, MD, FACP, FASAM  
State Health Officer

Attachment

pc: The Honorable Lynn Fitch, State Attorney General  
Bureau of Buildings, Grounds and Real Property Management  
State of Mississippi Fire Marshal  
Burl Cain, Commissioner, MS Department of Corrections  
Jeworski Mallet, Deputy Commissioner of Institutions  
Mark McClure, Superintendent, Mississippi State Penitentiary

**Mississippi State Penitentiary  
Parchman, Mississippi**

**2024 Sanitation Inspection Report  
November 18-20, 2024**

**Conducted by:**



**Institutional Services**

**Mississippi State Penitentiary  
Parchman, Mississippi  
2024 Biannual Health Inspection Report  
(November 18-20, 2024)**

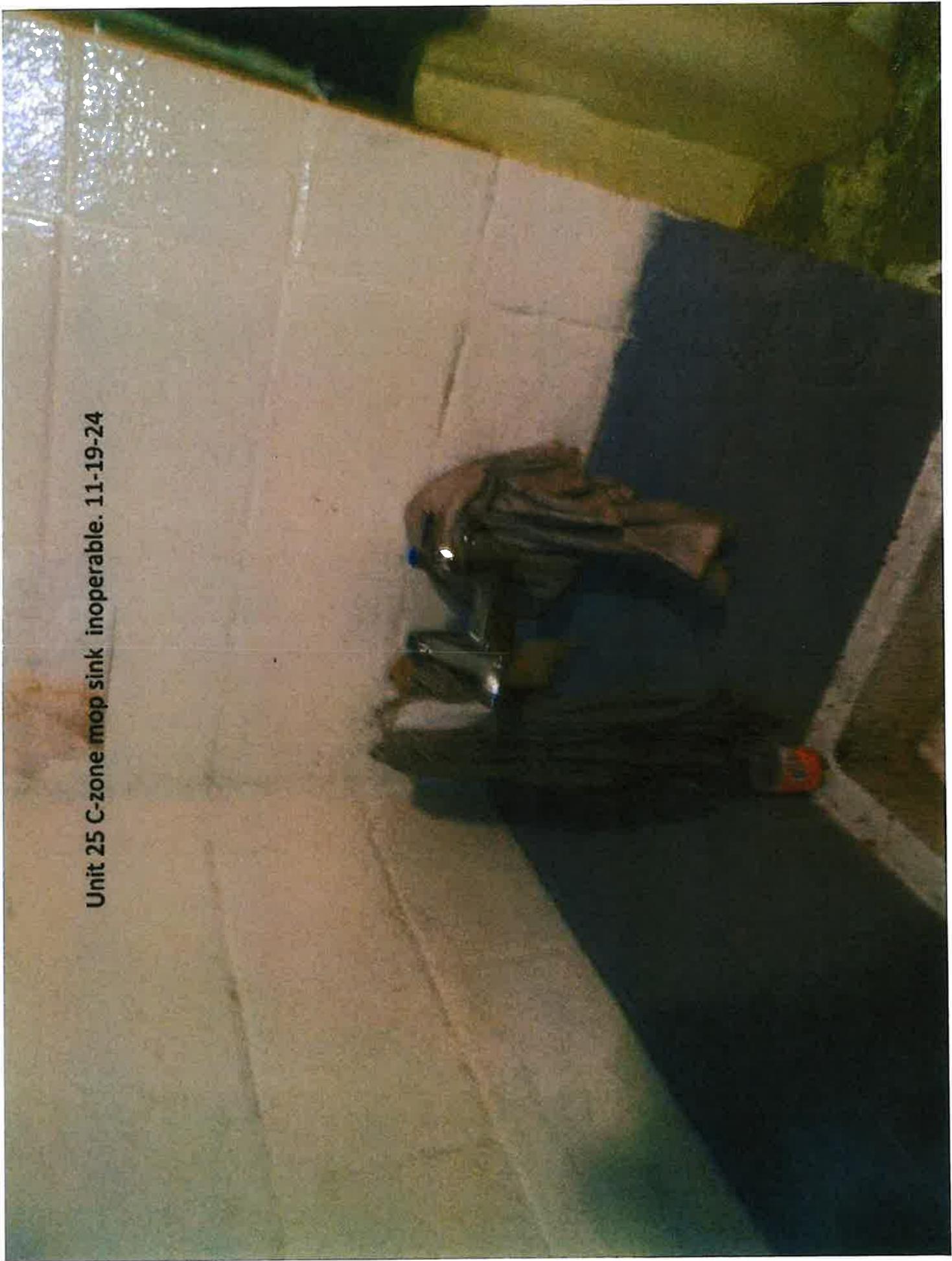
<b>Facility Name &amp; Address:</b>  <b>Mississippi State Penitentiary Hwy. 49 West Parchman, Mississippi 38768</b>	<b>Inspected By:</b>  <b>Rayford Horton, Public Health Officer INSTITUTIONAL SERVICES P.O. BOX 1700 JACKSON, MISSISSIPPI 39215-1700 PHONE 601/576-7693</b>
<b>Environmental Sanitation</b>  <b>Area I &amp; II (Units 29, 25, 26A-B &amp; Kitchen, 28, 30A-D, 30 Gym, Education, 31, 42 and 33)</b>	<b>Inspection Date:</b>  <b>November 18-20, 2024</b>
<b>Deficiency</b>  <b>Unit 28 (Zone A)</b> No discrepancies.	<b>Response</b>
<b>Unit 28 (Zone B)</b> Shower floor needs replacing	
<b>Unit 28 (Zone C)</b> Beds 131-136 sink needs mounting	
<b>Unit 28 (Zone D)</b> No discrepancies.	
<b>Deficiency</b>  <b>Unit 28 Kitchen (Food Service/Sanitation)</b> Dishwasher must be operated manually. WO#74431 Steam warmer gas pilot does not work had to be manually ignited. No critical food violations were found.	
<b>Unit 28 Barbershop</b> No discrepancies.	
<b>Unit 31 Zone A</b> Shower #3 water constantly runs Shower #4 needs a shower head Window pane is cracked beside bed #12 6 <sup>th</sup> sink has no hot water Sink beside the shower has no knobs	
<b>Unit 31 Zone B</b>	

<b>Unit 30-C Bldg. A Zone</b>	
Sinks 1-3 and 7 water runs constantly	
Handicap shower water runs constantly	
Handicap sink water runs constantly	
Zone is cluttered with excess debris	
<b>Unit 30-C Bldg. B Zone</b>	
2 <sup>nd</sup> sink is stopped up	
7 <sup>th</sup> sink water pressure is high and sprouts onto the floor	
Water fountain constantly runs	
Zone is cluttered with excess debris	
Water Leaks behind bed 206 when it rains	
<b>Unit 30-D Bldg. A Zone</b>	
Mold growing in the ceiling bathroom area	
Zone is cluttered with excess debris	
<b>Unit 30-D Bldg. B Zone</b>	
Mold growing in the ceiling in the bathroom area	
1 <sup>st</sup> sink water pressure is high and sprouts onto the floor	
1 <sup>st</sup> shower on the right, and 1 shower on the left do not work	
Zone is cluttered with excess debris	
Exit lights are inoperable at the back of the zone	
Water leaks over beds 127-128 when it rains	
<b>Unit 30 Hallway</b>	
No discrepancies were noted	
<b>Unit 30 Barbershop</b>	
No barbericide for sanitizing hair clippers.	
<b>Unit 30 Library/ABE School</b>	
No discrepancies were noted.	
<b>Unit 30 Alcohol and Drug School</b>	
5 <sup>th</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> urinals are missing from the wall	
No hot water in the inmate bathroom.	
<b>Unit 30 GYM</b>	
1 <sup>st</sup> and 6 <sup>th</sup> sinks do not work	
Low water pressure on 1st and 3rd inmate commode	
<b>Unit 29 A</b>	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. A / Zone A</b>	
The back door exit sign light does not work.	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. A / Zone B</b>	
No discrepancies were noted.	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. B / Zone A</b>	
Building closed.	Building closed.
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. B / Zone B</b>	
Building closed	Building closed.
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. C</b>	

Cell #27 lavatory sink button is inoperable	
Cell #29 lavatory sink hot water button is inoperable	
Cell #37 lavatory sink hot water button is inoperable	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. I / Zone A</b>	
Building Closed	Building Closed
<b>Unit 29 Building I/Zone B</b>	
Building Closed	Building Closed
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. J / Zone A</b>	
<b>Bottom Tier</b>	.
2 <sup>nd</sup> Exit light is inoperable	
Cell #9 water continues to run	
<b>Top Tier</b>	
No discrepancies were noted.	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. J / Zone B</b>	
<b>Bottom Tier</b>	
No discrepancies were noted.	
<b>Top Tier</b>	
Cell #26 electrical receptacle does not work	
Cell #27 has one light out	
Exit light inoperable	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. K / Zone A</b>	
Building Closed	Building Closed
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. K / Zone B</b>	
Building Closed	Building Closed
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. L / Zone A</b>	
<b>Bottom Tier</b>	
Cell #2 toilet will not flush	
<b>Top Tier</b>	
Cell #24 lights are inoperable	
Cell #26 lights are inoperable	
Cell #35 lavatory sink does not work	
<b>Unit 29 Bldg. L / Zone B</b>	
<b>Bottom Tier</b>	
Cell #15 water leaks in when it rains	
<b>Top Tier</b>	
No discrepancies were noted	
<b>UNIT 29 Kitchen</b>	
Three compartment sink sanitizer setup was wrong.	Note: Label compartments for the sink
Dead mouse found in closed cooler #3	
Dry storage food items were not dated	
<b>Unit 29 Gym/Barbershop</b>	
Charcoal and lighter fluid stored inside the barbershop	
A gallon of milk found stored in the ice machine	Corrected on the spot
Sink #1 is inoperable and Sink #2 has a low water pressure in the inmate bathroom	
Barbershop was using germicide(non-hair product) to sanitize clipper blades, No barbicide on-site of barbershop	

<b>E-Zone</b>	
<b>Closed</b>	
<b>MSP Unit #26 B Building</b>	All inmates who use wheelchairs need their own shower chair.
<b>Zone-A</b>	
<b>B-Zone</b>	
Need light near toilet area	
Cubicle 30-36 light is missing	
Water fountain missing cover	
<b>C-Zone</b>	
Turn HVAC to fan for ventilation.	
<b>D-Zone</b>	
Beds 201-202 light is out in the ceiling	
No shut off water in the showers	
<b>E-Zone</b>	
No discrepancies.	
<b>Unit 26 Kitchen-FOOD SERVICE SANITATION</b>	
No critical food service violations.	
<b>Processing Kitchen</b>	
No critical food violations were found	Note: Drain system needs to be cleaned/flushed periodically
<b>Cold Storage</b>	
Breakdown room needs cleaning	Corrected on the spot
Evidence of rodents being present in the breakdown room	Corrected on the spot
Keep clothes and food in the breakdown room separate	Corrected on the spot
Raw vegetables were found next to the butter (cross contamination)	Corrected on the spot
Several boxes of expired milk with the date of 11-12-2024 was delivered by food merchant	
<b>Unit 33</b>	
No discrepancies were found	
<b>MPIC Kitchen</b>	
No critical food violations were found.	
<b>The Place</b>	
No critical food violations were found.	

Unit 25 C-zone mop sink inoperable. 11-19-24



Unit 30D b-zone both exit lights inoperable 11-19-24  
the zone 11-19-24



Unit 42 Emergency Room sink stoppers 11-19-24



Unit 42 lights need covers above doors with exposed wires in emergency room.  
11-19-24



Unit 31 window pane cracked beside  
bed #12. 11-19-24





EXIT

Unit 29G A-zone both exit lights out. 11-19-24

Unit 29A a-zone exit light missing. 11-18-24

**CAUTION**  
This zone has three  
light heads. If one  
zone fails, the other  
two will still work.  
To replace a light  
head, turn off the  
power to the  
light fixture and  
replace the  
light fixture.



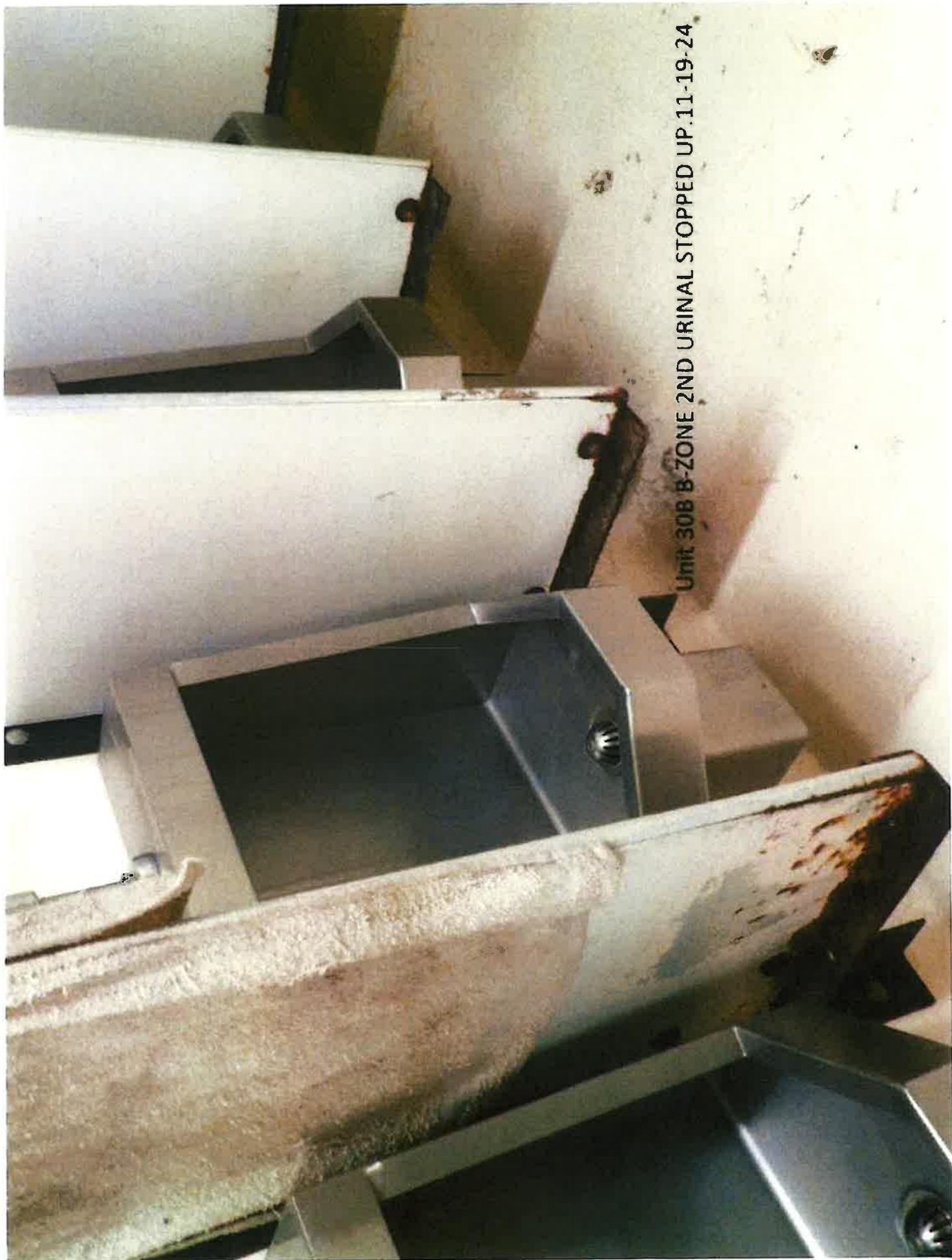
Unit 29F B-zone urinal on bottom inoperable.  
11-18-24

Unit 30A a-zone 6th sink has no hot water. 11-19-24



Unit 30B a-zone 7th sink stopped up. 11-19-24



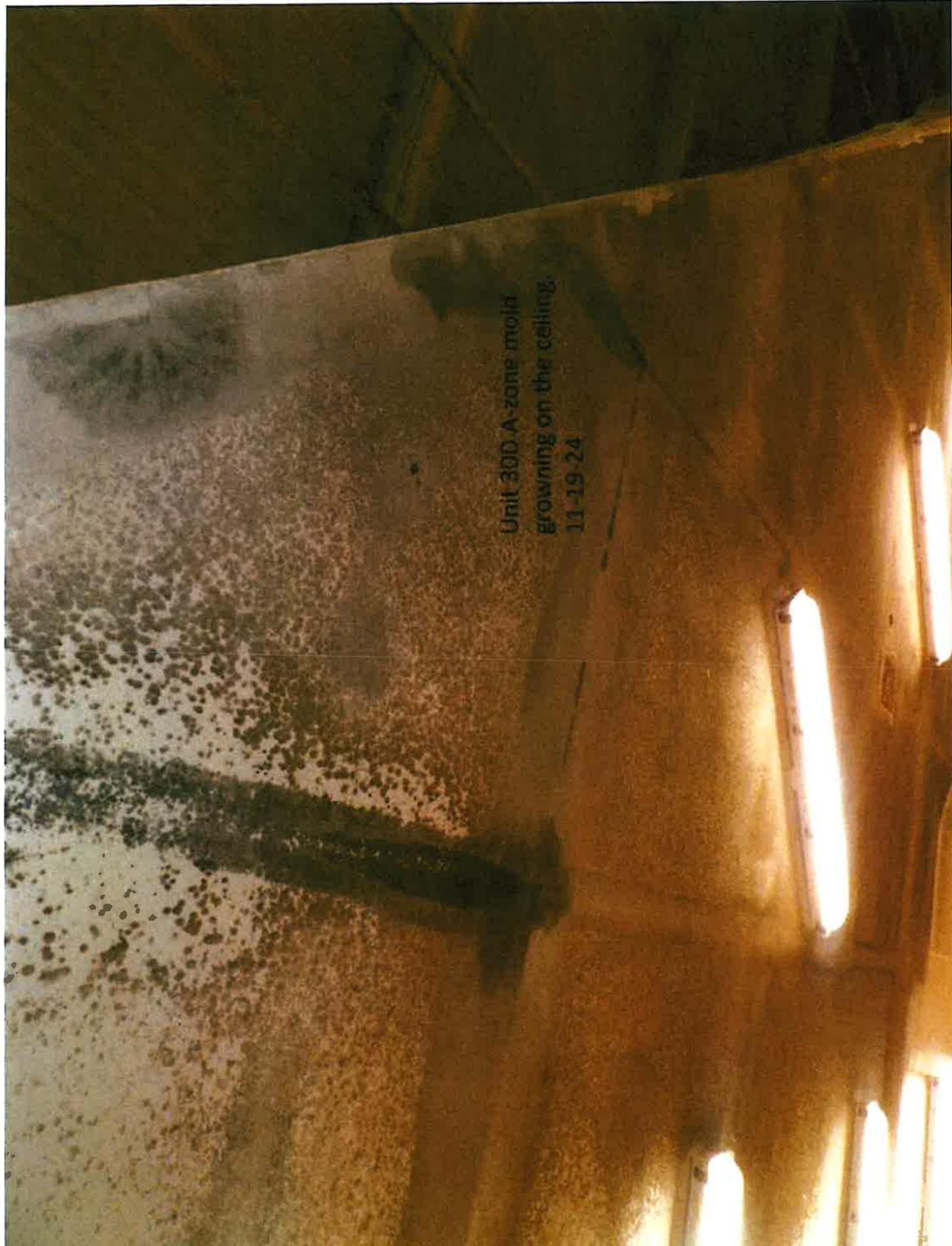


Unit 308 B-ZONE 2ND URINAL STOPPED UP.11-19-24

UNIT 308 8-zone behind beds 149 and 150 outlet burned out 11-19-24

Unit 30C A-zone handicap shower constantly runs. 11-19-24

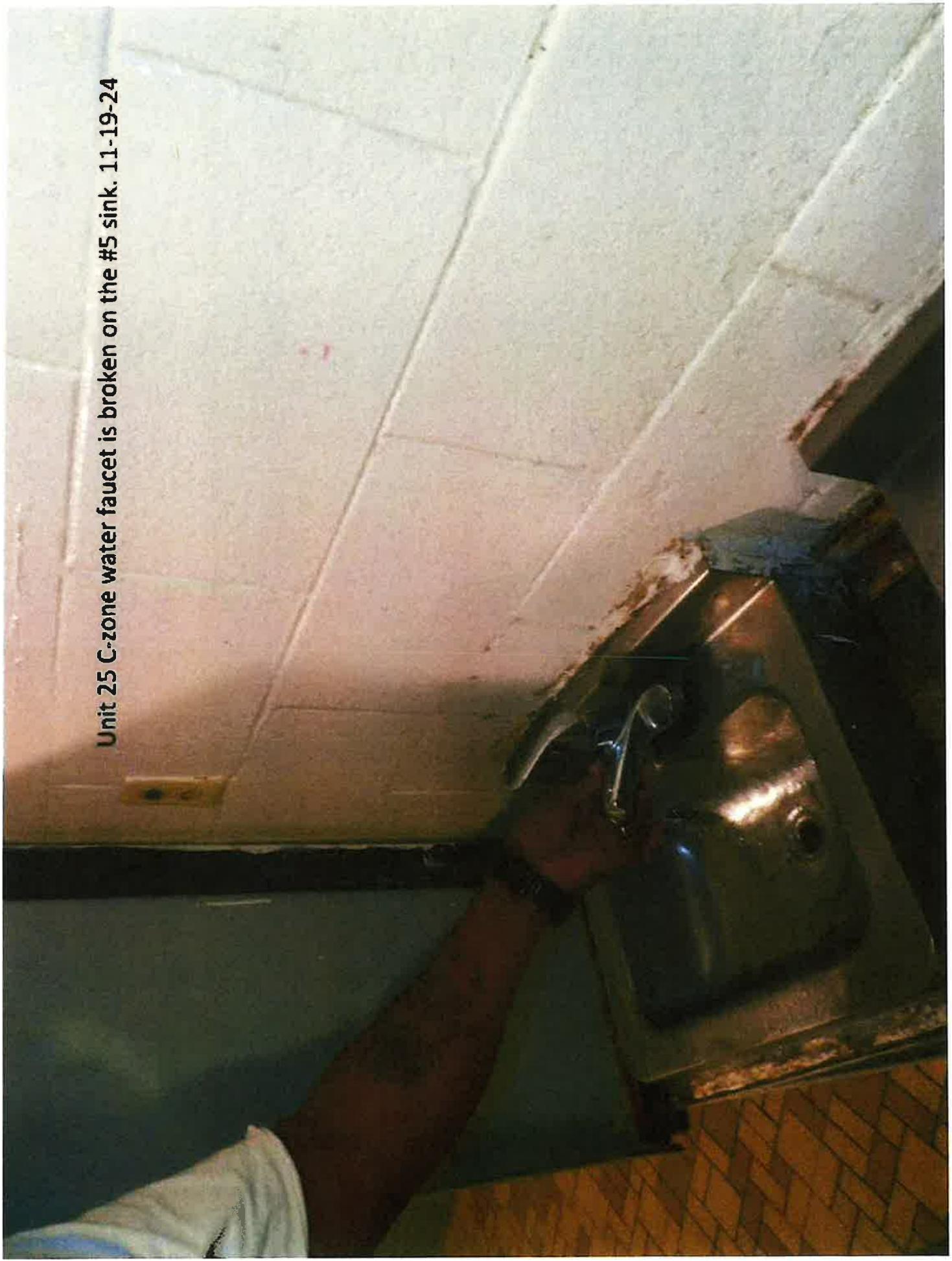




Unit 300A zone 'mold'  
growing on the ceiling.  
11-19-24



Unit 25 C-zone water faucet is broken on the #5 sink. 11-19-24

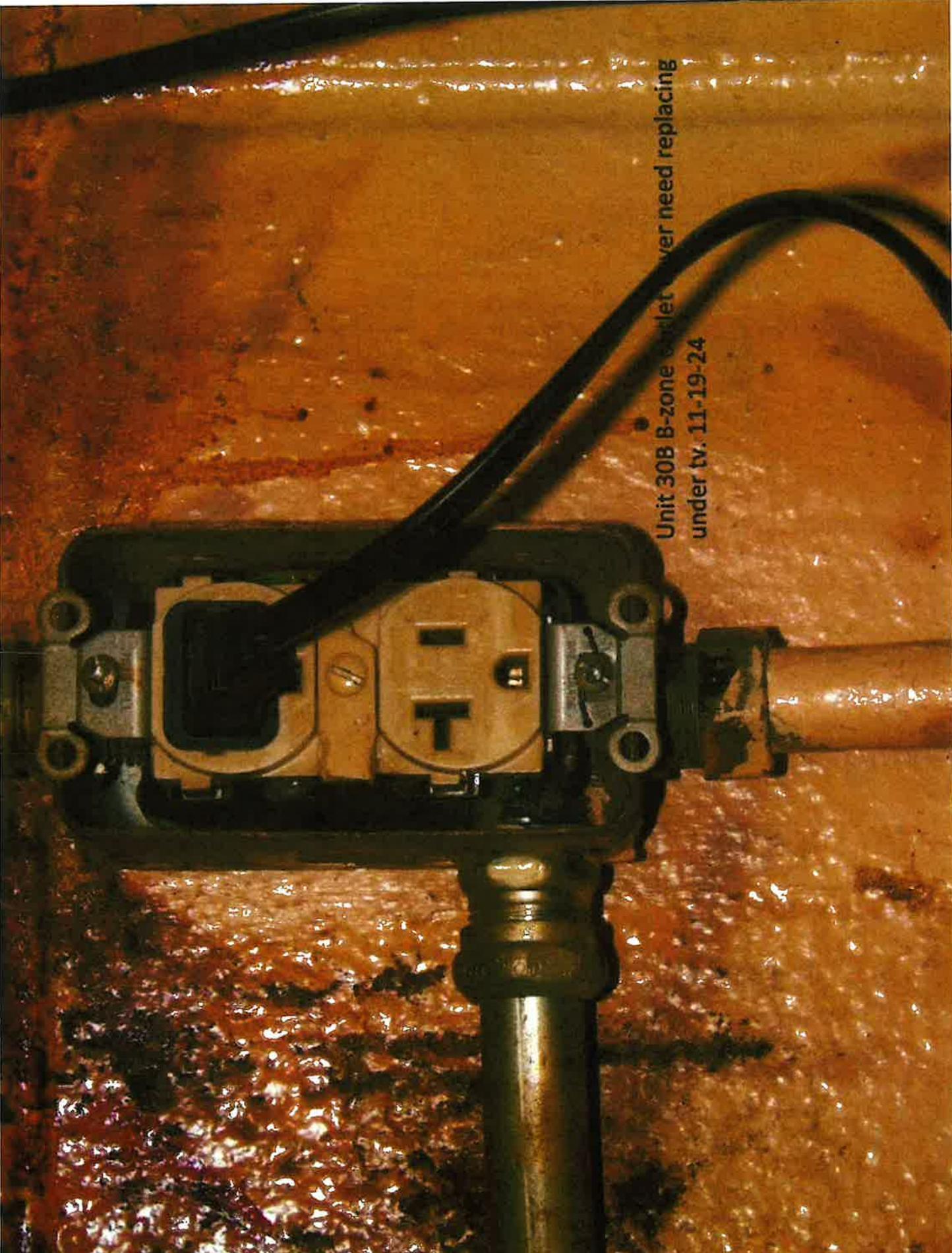




Unit 30D b-zone 1st sink  
water shoots up to high. 11-19-24

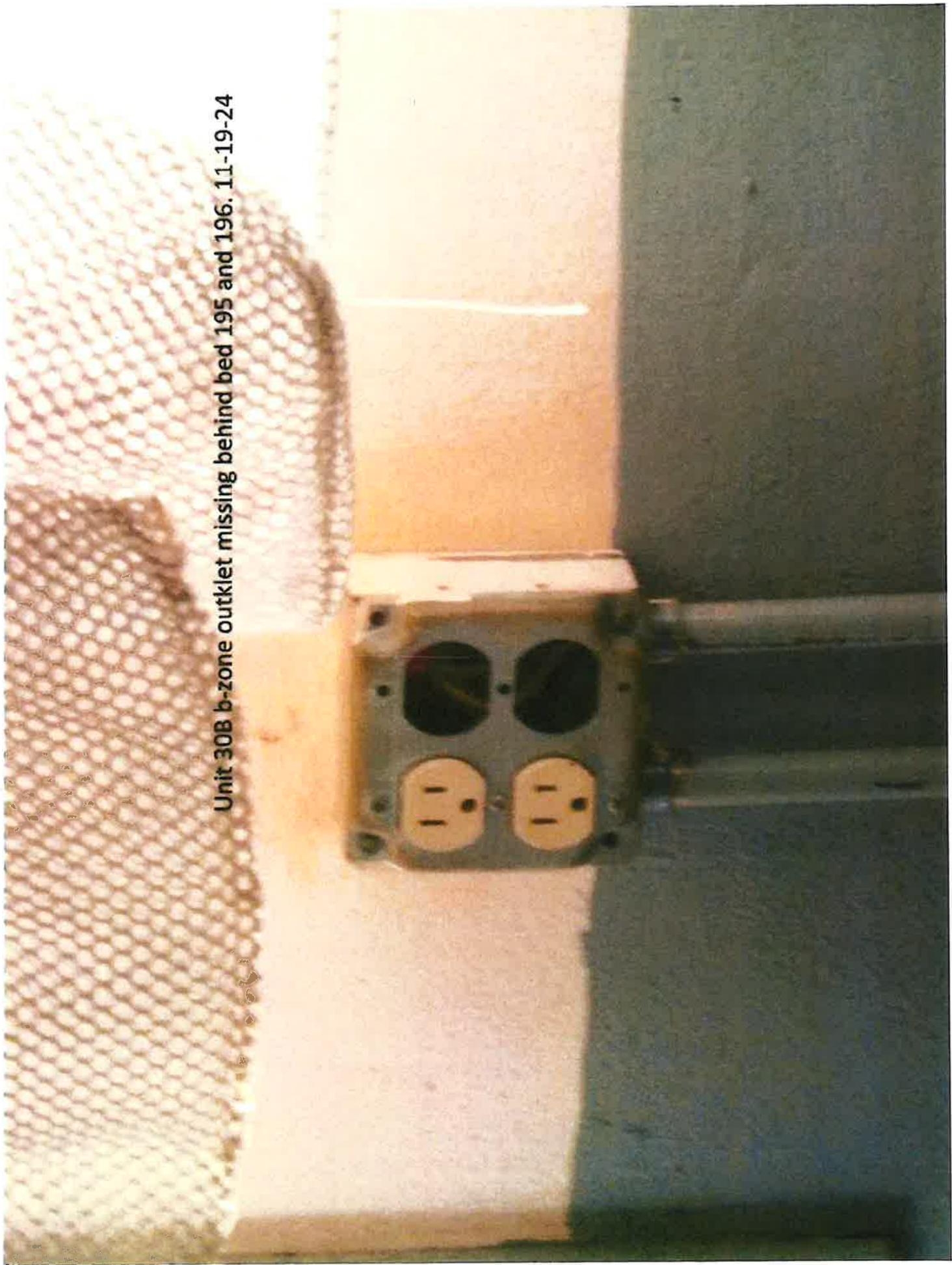
Unit 30C B-zone 2nd sink stopped up. 11-19-24

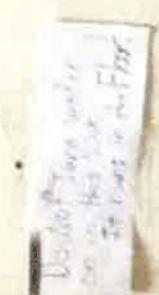




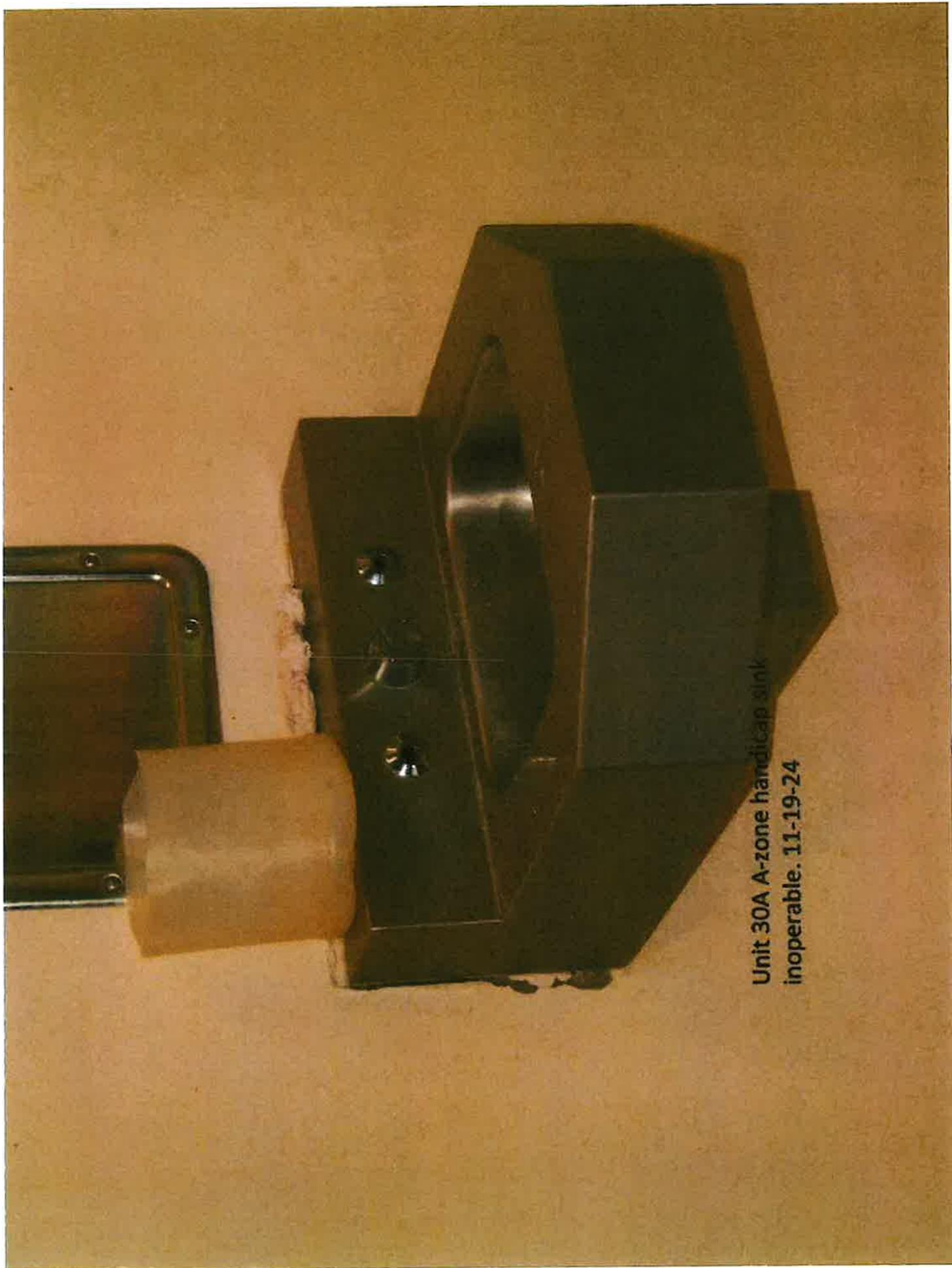
Unit 30B B-zone vent  
cover need replacing  
under tv. 11-19-24

Unit 30B b-zone outlet missing behind bed 195 and 196. 11-19-24





Unit 30B 3-zone 1st sink inoperable. 11-19-24

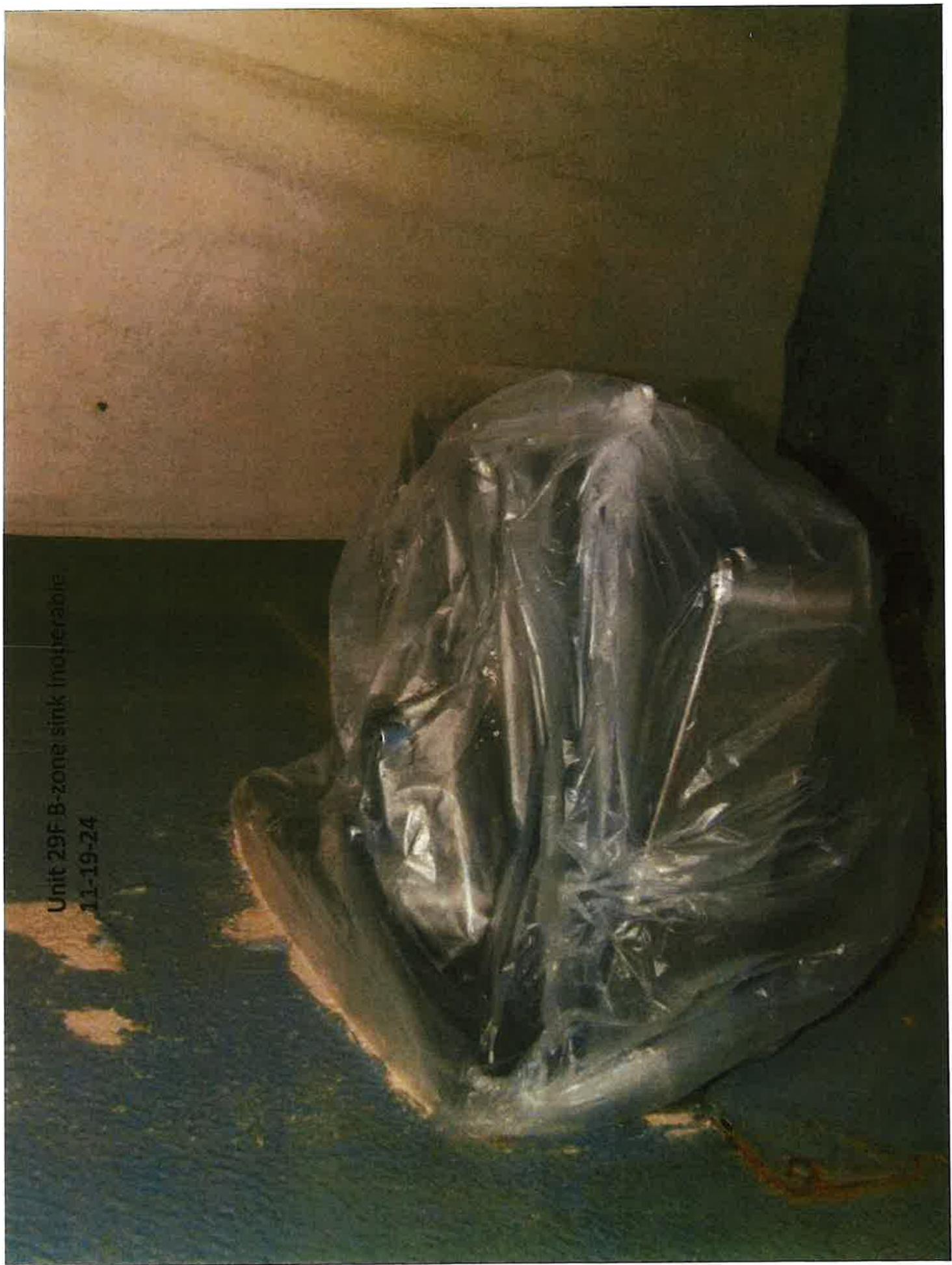


Unit 30A A-zone handle pink  
inoperable. 11-19-24

Unit 29 Gym Ice Scoop stored on top of ice machine 11-18-24

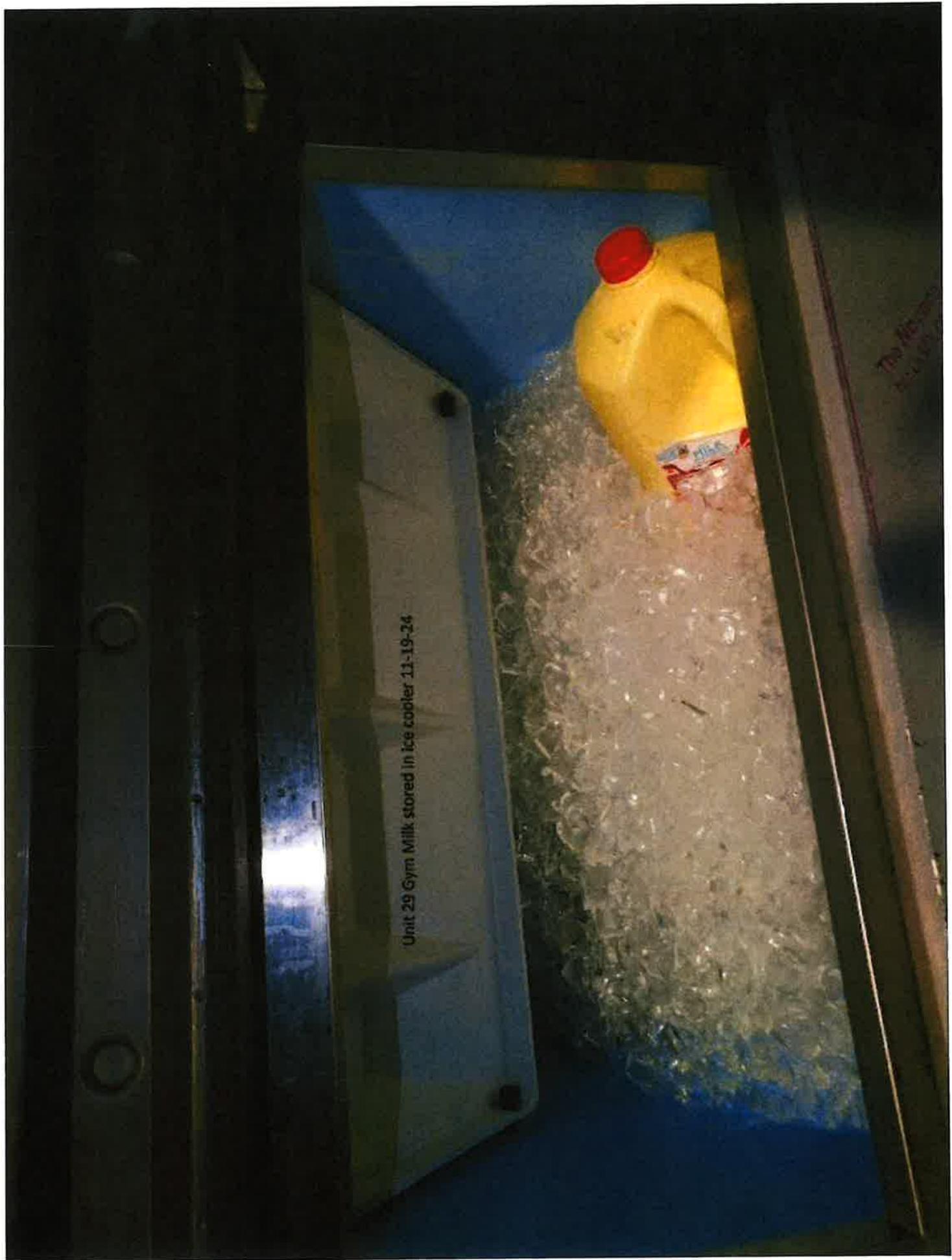


Unit 29FB-zone sink Inoperable  
11-19-24





Unit 29J a-zone exit light out 11-18-24



Unit 29 Gym Milk stored in ice cooler 11-19-24

Unit 29 Gym wrong solution bring used in Barber Shop. 11-18-24

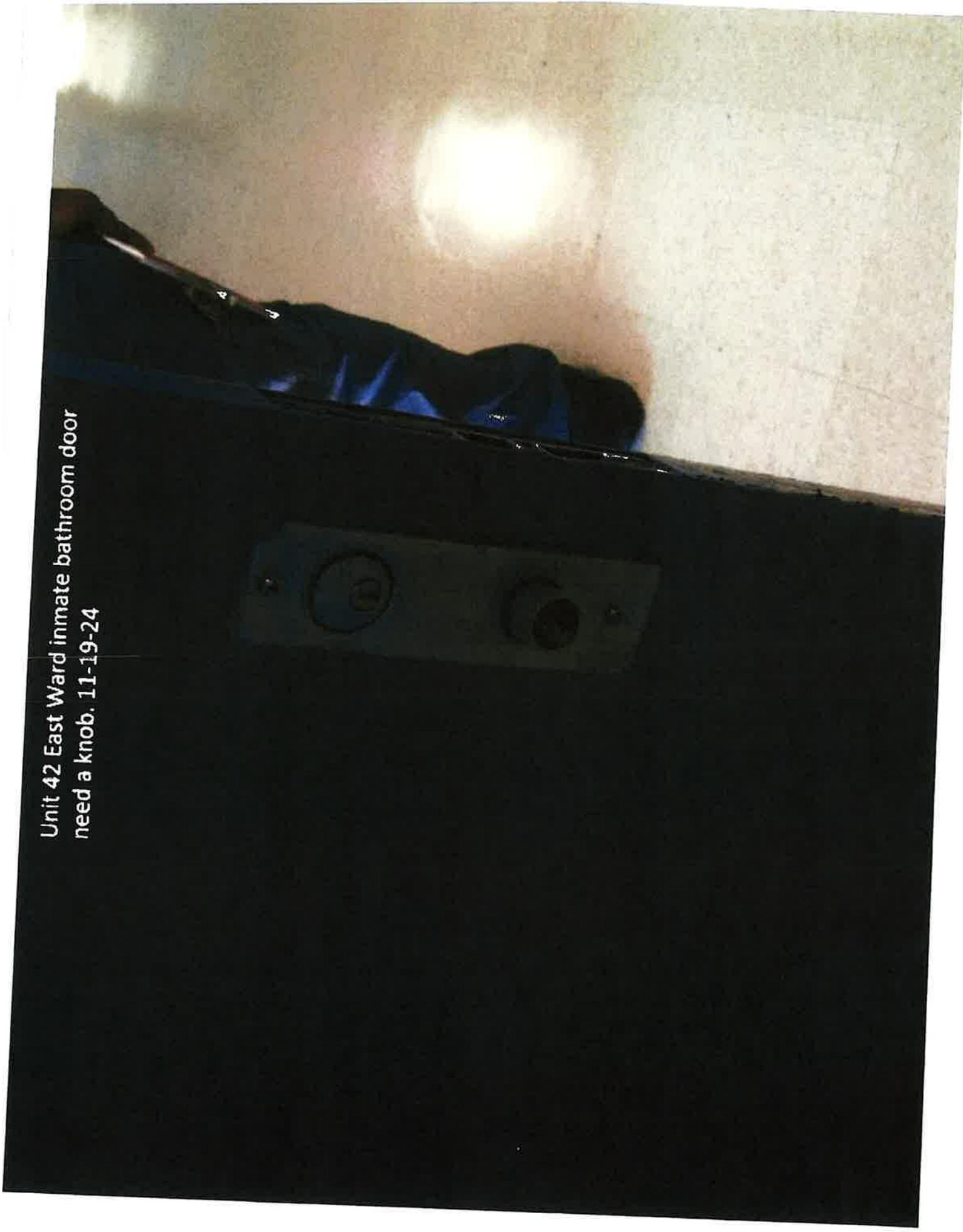


Unit 30D b-zone mold growing on the ceiling. 11-19-24



Unit 42 bird nest in holding cell window 11-19-24





Unit 42 East Ward inmate bathroom door  
need a knob. 11-19-24

