

IMPORTANT DISCHARGE AND RECOVERY INFORMATION

Feral Cat Program

Make sure the cat seems sufficiently recovered from surgery and anesthesia prior to release. If it seems disoriented or wobbly, keep the cat in the trap in a safe, quiet area, covered with a towel, until it is completely recovered. Return the cat to the veterinarian for re-evaluation if you have any questions or concerns.

IMPORTANT: When the cat is ready for release, return the trap to the area in which the animal was originally captured and release it there. **DO NOT RELOCATE** the cat or it will be disoriented and will not adapt well in the new environment.

Keep the trap covered until you are ready for release. Pick a safe and secure spot in the area you caught the cat for release. When ready, place the trap on the ground with the door facing away from you. Stand clear and lift the door open. A bungee cord is useful for holding the door open. The cat will often bolt immediately out of the trap. **NEVER** put your hand into the trap or in front of the exit door! If the cat will not leave the trap, prop the door open with a stick or use the bungee cord to secure the open door to the top of the trap. Then, tap on the back of the trap to scare the cat out the door or leave the trap alone for a while.

After releasing the cat, hose off and clean the trap and return it to the Pets Barn Valley Feed Pet Food Center that you borrowed it from.