

FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES

**Division of Plant Industry
Detector Dog Inspection**

Mission

- ▣ The **Division of Plant Industry** is a regulatory agency of the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services which works to detect, intercept and control plant and honeybee pests that threaten Florida's native plant and agricultural resources.

Goals

- ▣ Locate and inspect incoming packages to ensure they meet state guidelines and are free from pests and diseases.
- ▣ Conduct inspections in parcel facilities like UPS and DHL.
- ▣ Use K-9 to find unmarked packages.
- ▣ Take samples to help identify pests and work with local inspectors for any needed follow up.

Meet Detector Dogs Sparkey & Chewie



Training

- ▣ This program was initiated by the USDA and training is currently conducted at their facility in Newnan, Georgia.
- ▣ Parcel dogs come from shelters and are trained to use active response for targets.
- ▣ Our canines are initially trained on 5 odors and expand once they are in the field.
- ▣ The 5 odors are citrus, mango, papaya, guava and stone fruit.

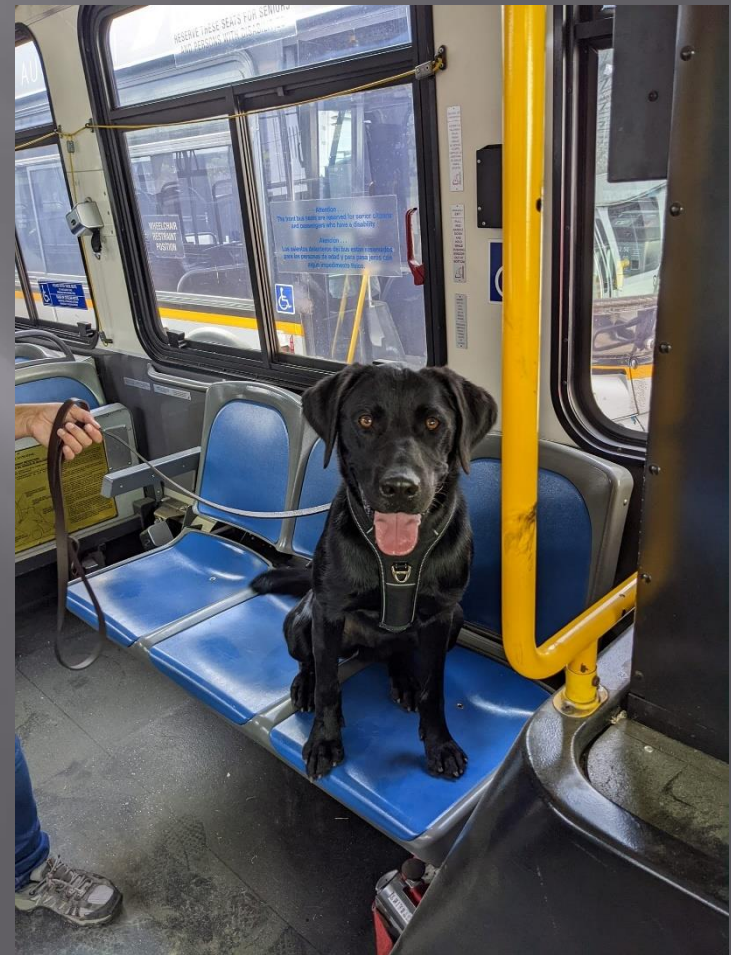
USDA Training in Georgia



Atlanta International Airport



Non-Task Related Training



Graduation and Arriving to Florida August 2022



Professional Chewie



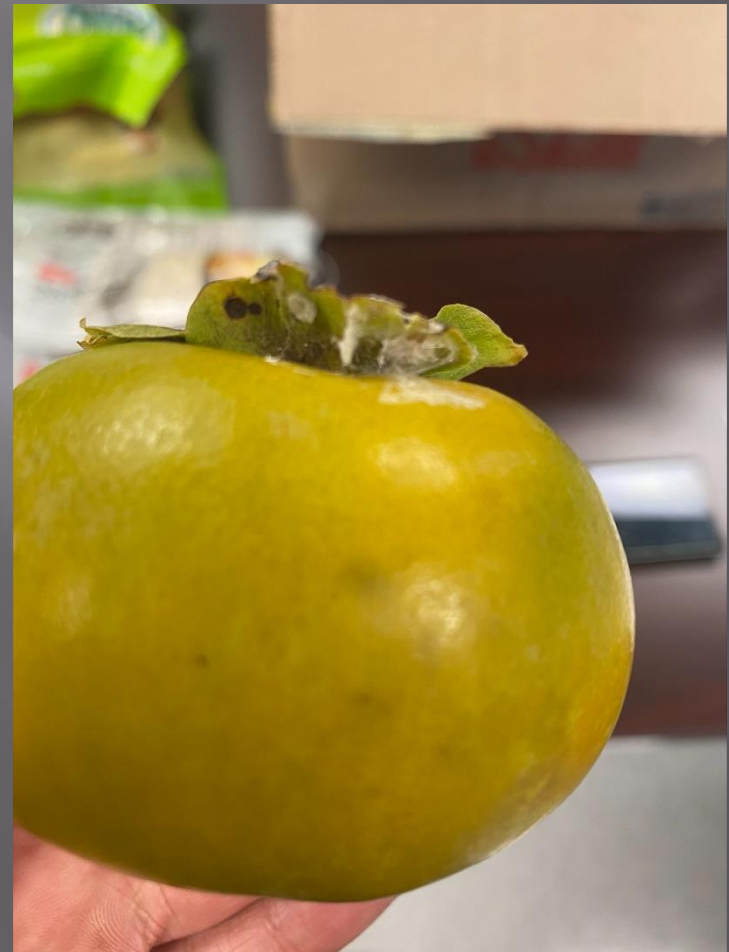
Detector Dogs in Action



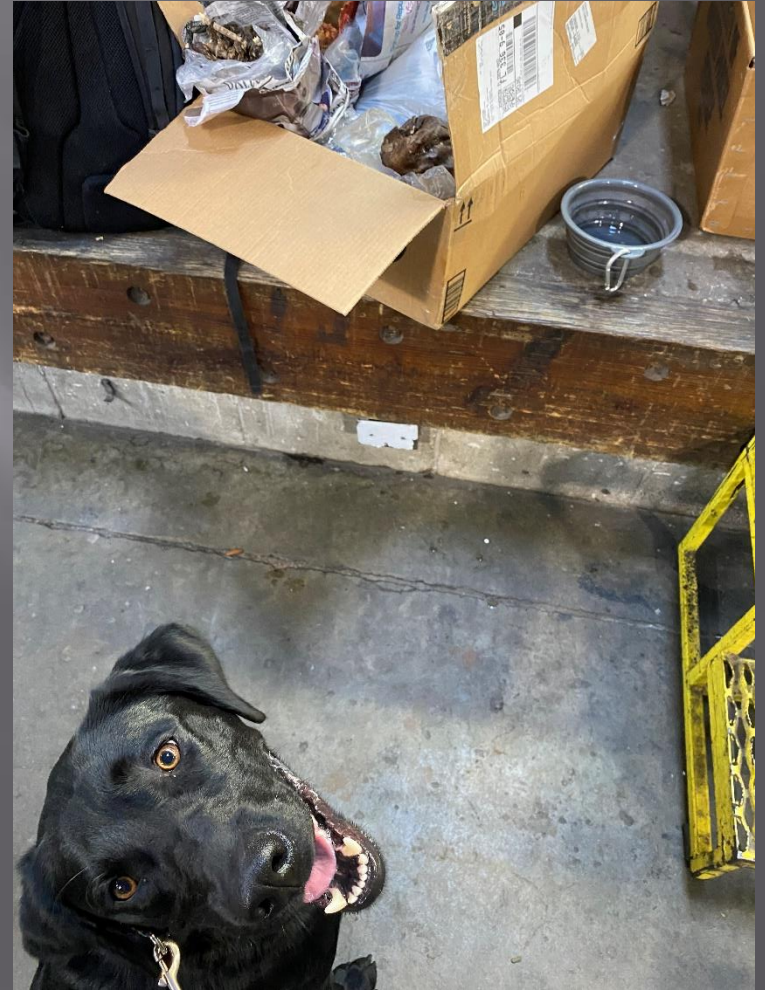
First unmarked package!



Unmarked persimmons from Vietnam



Significant Find by Chewie Giant African Land Snails



GALS along with other items from Ghana



Significant Finds by Gregg in Orlando

- ▣ Olive branches shipped with fruit containing fruit fly larvae.
- ▣ Cut flowers with brown garden snails
- ▣ Suspended shippers who were still shipping olive fruit. (In Orlando and Miami)

Significant Finds CA

VIOLET APHIDS ON
ZINNIAS



THUNDER FLY ON
DECORATIVE GRASS



Unmarked Significant Find Texas



Pharaoh ant



Significant find, a three banded garden slug from NC



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North Carolina Department of Agriculture & Consumer Services
Plant Industry Division

TO ALL REGULATORY OFFICIALS

THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT:
THE PLANTING TREE NURSERY
628 OAK RIDGE FARM
MOORESVILLE, NC 28115
051-6567 09/30/2016 Iredell

is a nursery certified by the North Carolina Department of Agriculture Consumer Services and is in compliance with the following Federal do and/or State plant pest regulations:

Imported Fire Ant: Federal (7CFR 301.81); Imported Fire Ant: NC (02 48A.0700) Japanese Beetle: Federal (7 CFR 301.48)
Nematode-Reniform: CA (3 CCR 3271)
Nematode-Burrowing: CA (3 CCR 3271)
Japanese Beetle: CA (3 CCR 3280)
Japanese Beetle: OR (603-52-0127)

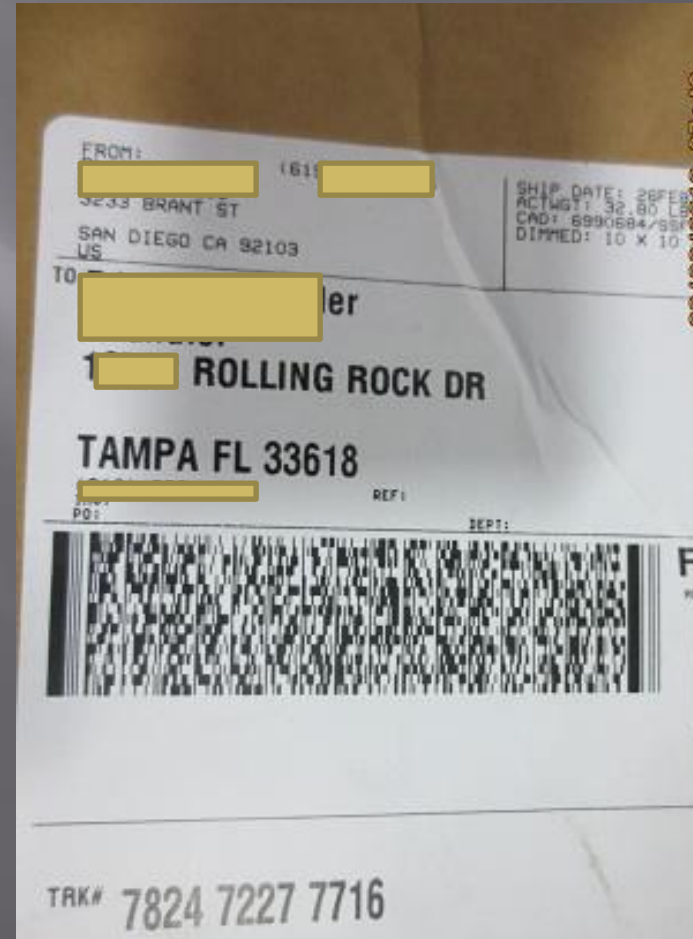
Any questions or concerns regarding this certification should be directed to the Plant Protection Section, North Carolina Department of Agriculture Consumer Services, 1060 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699- Phillip L. Wilson - Plant Pest Administrator Plant Protection Section Nursery and Quarantine Program
Phone: (919) 707-3753 Fax: (919) 733-1041 E-mail: Phil.Wilson@ncagr.org
Divisional Phone: (919) 707-3730 Toll Free: 1-800-206-9333

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Significant find passion vine mealybug on protea from HI



Significant root mealybug on palm from CA



Plants with certification containing plant pests

Gardenia



Crape Myrtle



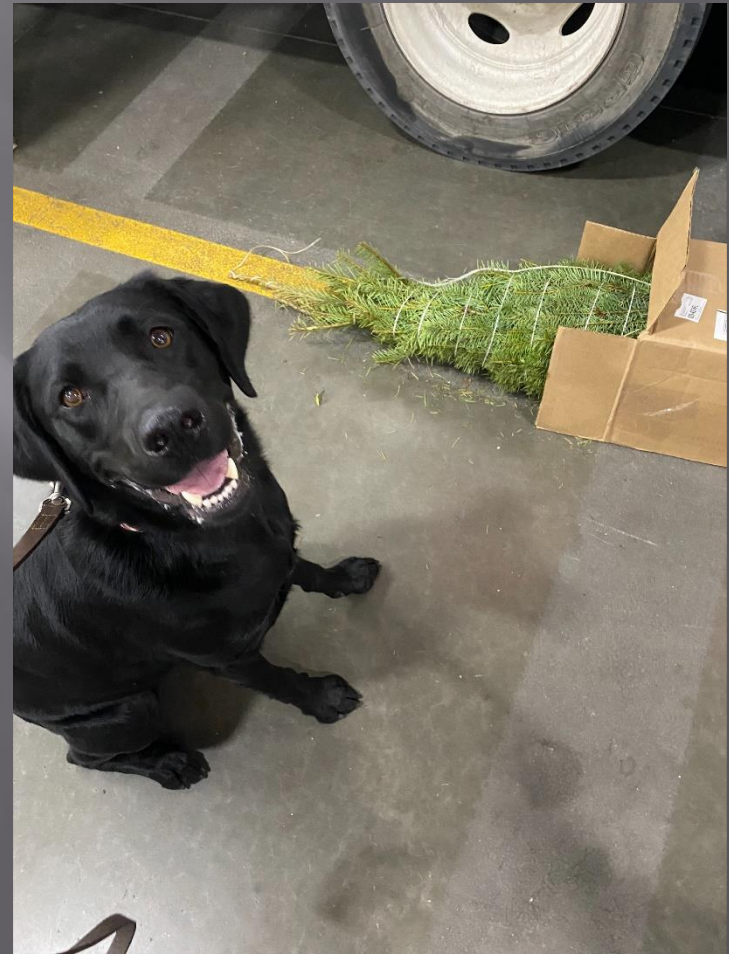
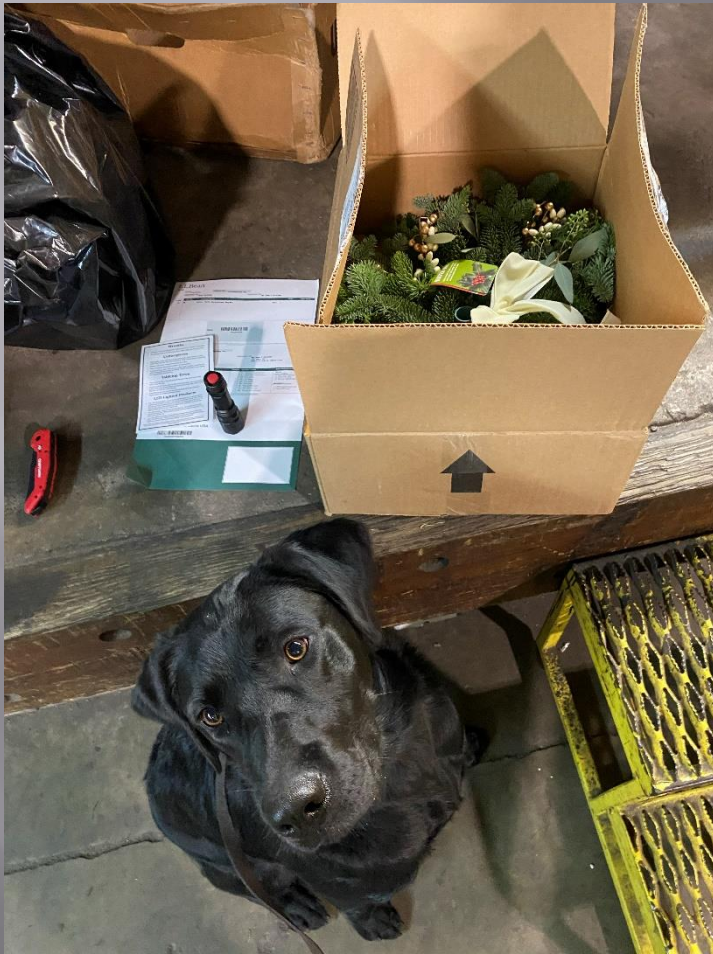
White fly on cut greenery CA



Unmarked corn & apples during fall



Unmarked wreath & Christmas tree



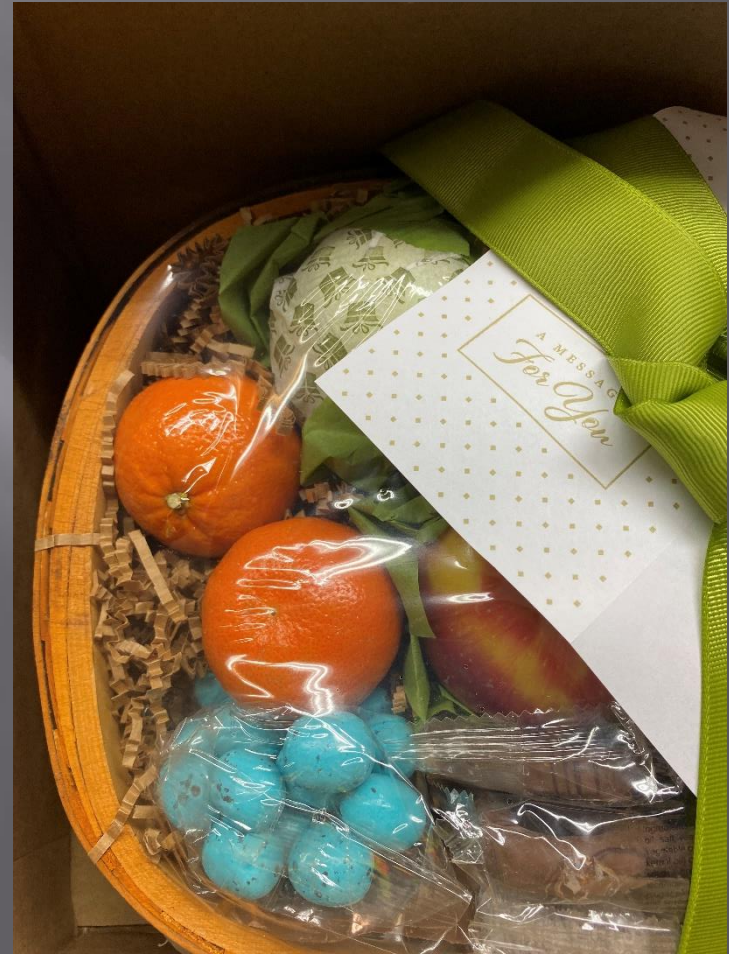
Valentine's Day



Valentines day one hour into the sort



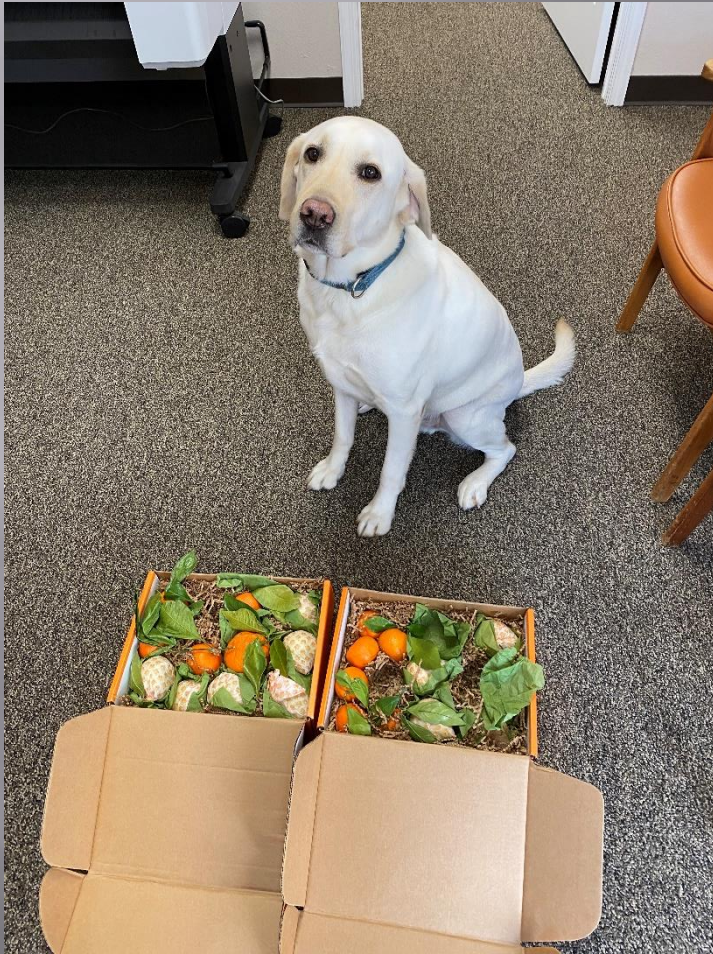
Palm Sunday & Easter



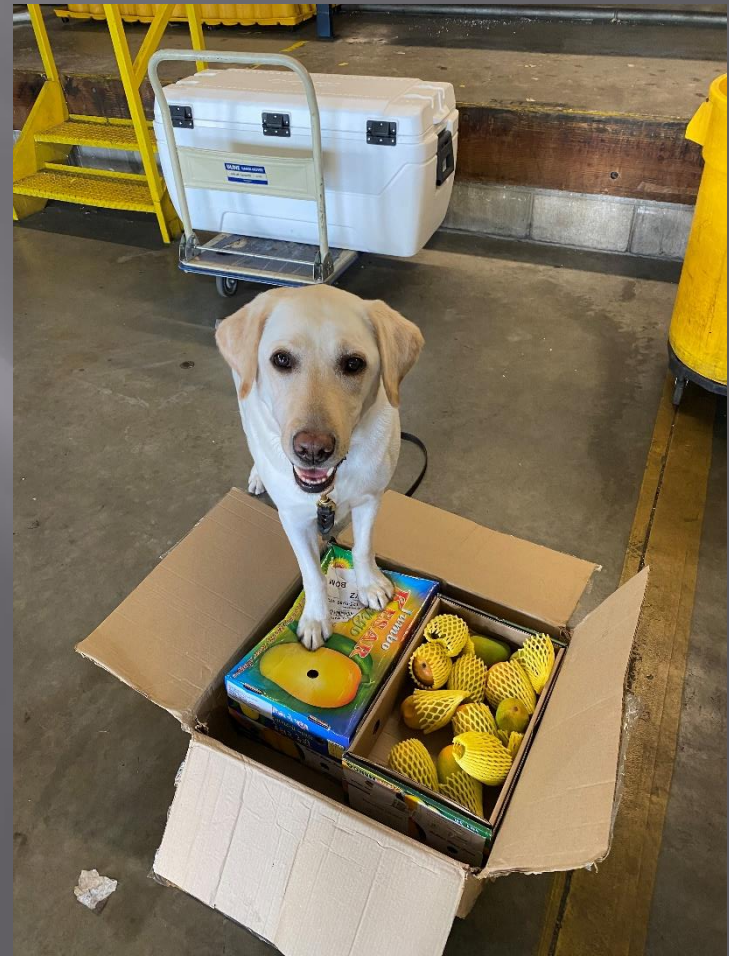
Unmarked plants



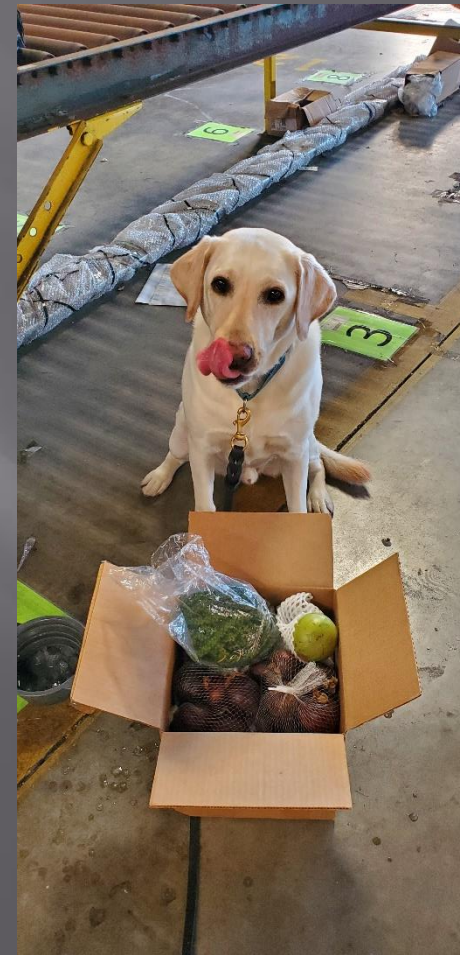
Citrus



Papayas & Mangos



CA Pomegranates & unmarked tropical fruit



Unmarked CA cactus & Dutch bulbs



Audi Feb. 2018



Epcot

Gregg and Audi



Epcot

Gregg and Audi meeting the Florida Watermelon Queen during an outreach event at Epcot



Chewie in Tallahassee for The Taste of Florida

Commissioner Chewie



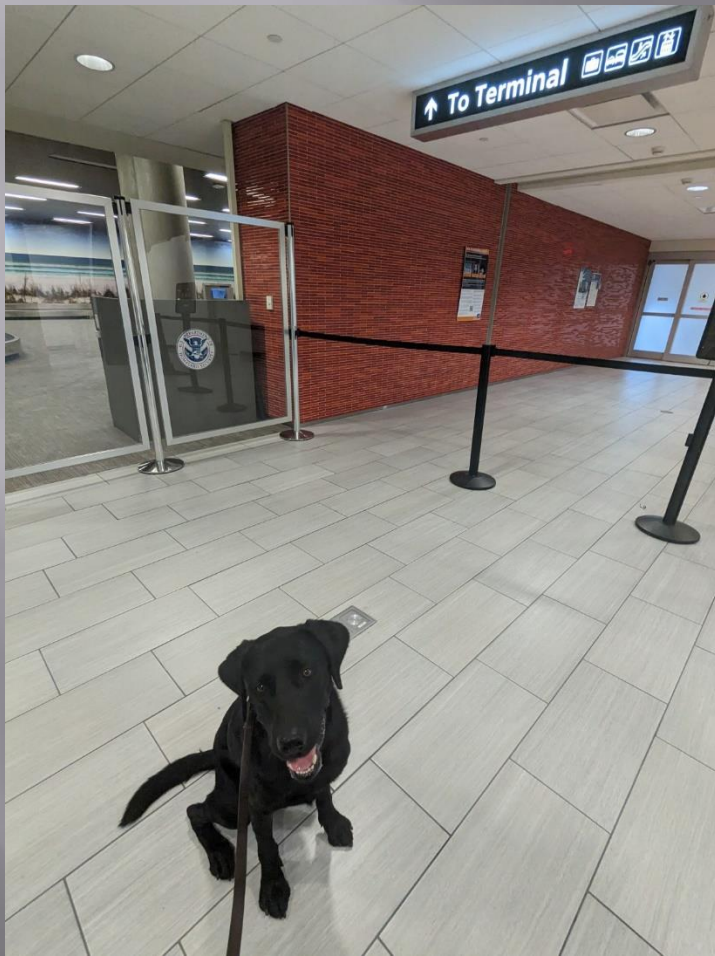
Joint Demonstration with FWC



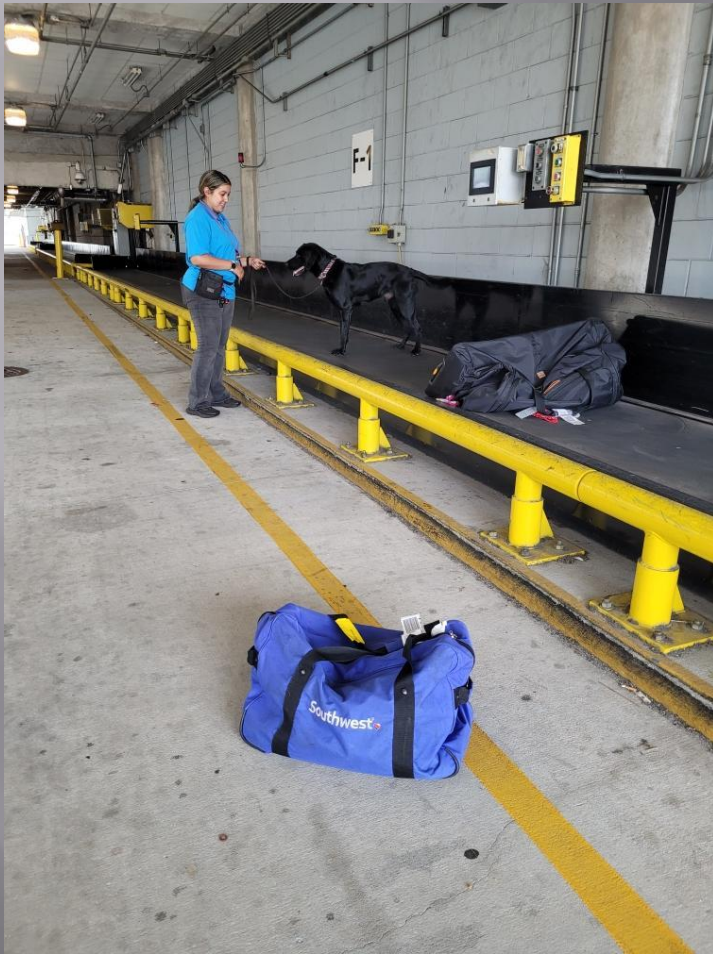
DHL with FWC & CBP



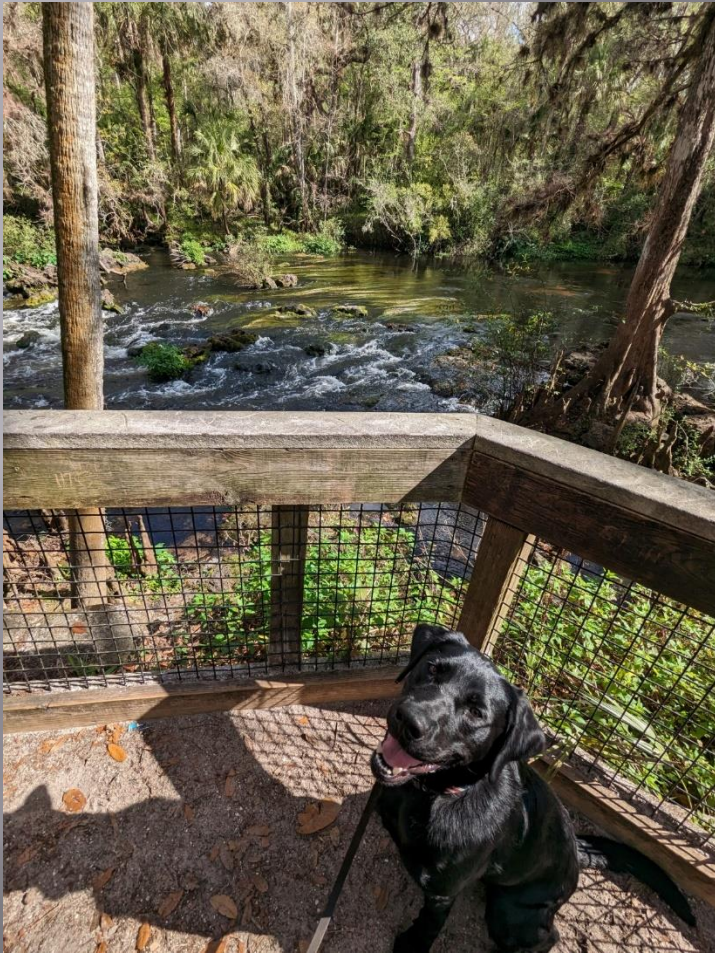
Tampa International Airport with USFWS, TSA & CBP



Guavas from Cuba



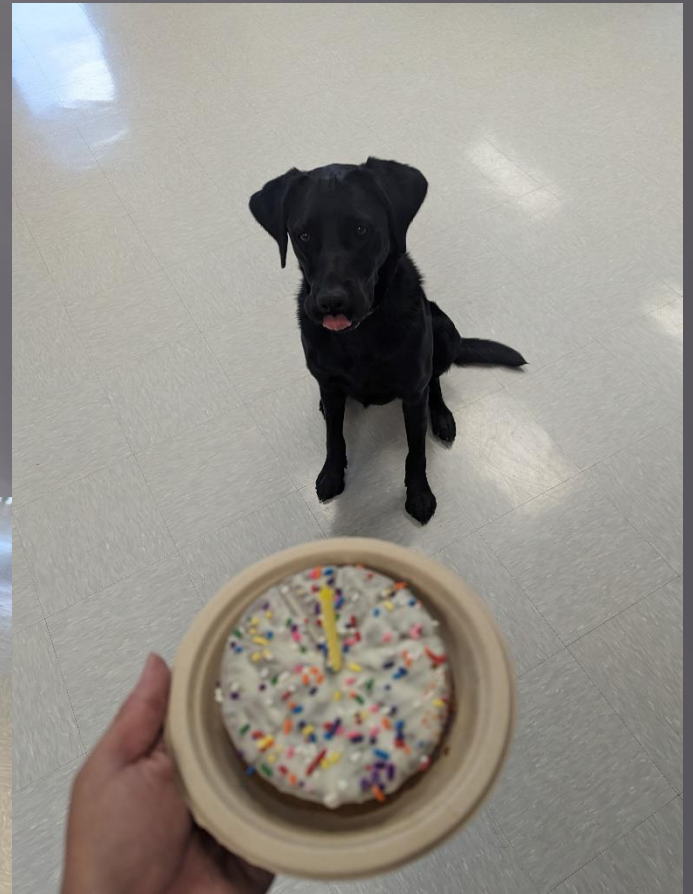
Enrichment



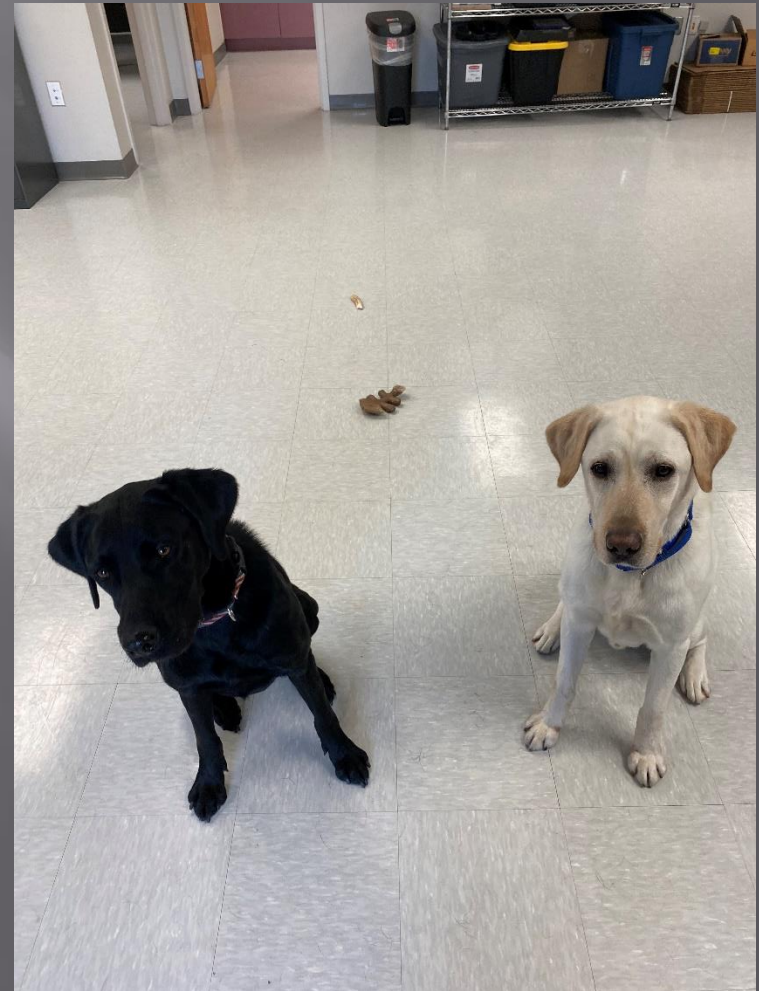
Relaxation



Celebrating holidays and birthdays



Always waiting for treats



And just a short cat nap please

