

## Loxahatchee man guilty of four counts of animal cruelty

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WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. - A jury on Wednesday found Jorge Garcia guilty on all four counts of misdemeanor animal cruelty charges following a raid at a farm in Loxahatchee last October.

The jury lessened two of the charges to misdemeanors from felonies. During the raid, Garcia was one of six people taken into custody that resulted in the seizure of 750 animals.

The animals seized include goats, pigs, cattle, numerous species of birds, dogs, cats and fighting roosters, the sheriff's office said. There were also accusations that horses were being butchered for their meat.

Garcia was taken into custody after the verdict. Sentencing is scheduled to begin April 26.

Jury finds Jorge Garcia guilty on four counts of misdemeanor animal cruelty charges.