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News Release

Local Sanctuary Offers a Permanent Home for Escaped Guinea Hog

PENOBSCOT, Maine – In reference to the Bangor Daily News article, [Ham on the Lam: Guinea hog on way to slaughter escapes to Aroostook woods](#) by Julia Bayly, the elusive northern Maine guinea hog who escaped her owner's trailer on the way to be slaughtered has been offered a permanent home at Peace Ridge Sanctuary where she can live out the rest of her life in a safe a loving environment. See the letter of intention below:

"Peace Ridge Sanctuary is offering the escaped guinea hog a lifelong reprieve and permanent home where she can enjoy her freedom within the safety of our sanctuary. This pig, like every animal, wants to live. She saw her chance to escape death and took it, running for her life. Pigs are highly social and intelligent animals, with greater cognitive capacities than dogs and young children. She has managed to elude capture and deserves to be kept safe from impending harm.

There has been a public outpouring of support and interest to spare her life, which is exhibited in the comments section of the BDN article. Our organization is ready to welcome this pig to our sanctuary in Penobscot once she is secured. Our concern is for her well-being and providing her with the food, shelter, and care she needs as well as the companionship of other rescued animals.

Peace Ridge Sanctuary is currently home to over 140 farmed animals including 2 pigs. One of these pigs is from a recently publicized rescue in Whitefield ([Homes Found For Seized Whitefield Animals](#), Lincoln County News, 1/30/2013). Through our twelve-year history, we have rescued over 900 animals.

This guinea hog wants and deserves to live and we want to give her the opportunity to do so. Peace Ridge welcomes her and we would greatly appreciate your support in ensuring her safety by advocating for her release to the care of our compassionate and well-trained staff."