

*Prison Camp 26*

Synopsis

LOLO SOSA is a first generation Mexican-American running stolen food aid across the border to help stem the suffering in Juarez. DP MACLEAN is a Wall Street banker responsible for the biggest GMO crop scandal in history thanks to a cover up that helped him make millions. DONNY DRUMM is the most successful pot farmer in California, and he won't give up his business growing medicine just because the feds say he has to grow food. MAJOR TOMAK CHLEBOWSKI is a Special Ops officer leading missions to confuse the Canadian military as America prepares to invade and annex the still-productive farm lands of Saskatchewan, but every soldier has a line he won't cross.

In the waning years of this decade in the midst of a relentless global famine, everyone's lives revolve around the fight for food. The decisions these four people make in that fight are what turn them into enemies of the state and land them in prison. But DR. SASHA EMERSON is different. Living almost full-time at the Centers for Disease Control headquarters where she is a rising young virologist, her meals arrive every day, the TV mercifully stays turned off and she can focus 100% of her time and effort on Virus 26 – the most dangerous bug she has ever seen in action.

When word of her study gets out in Washington – that Virus 26 turns people into walking vegetables who can go months without food, never mind the fact it also turns them into soulless flesh-eating monsters – Sasha fears what the government has planned and tries to torch every sample of the virus. Her failure leads to the world in which she wakes three years later next to four prisoners (Lolo, DP, Donny and Tomak) in the middle of an isolated prison camp that is overrun with zombies.

None of them can remember any details about themselves or why they are there, but that's hardly the priority when they find themselves on the run from the walking dead and searching for any way out. Tomak barely makes it a day before suffering a grisly death as reward for stepping up as the group's leader. When the remaining four split up, Lolo doesn't make it much longer and Donny is presumed dead after a zombie attack, but wins the lottery as one of about 1 in 10 people with immunity to the virus.

Immunity, as it turns out, is why there are other survivors in the prison camp, and Sasha and DP soon learn they are not alone among the living. About 100 original prisoners remain – immune and of no interest to the zombies – who reveal that Prison Camp 26 is the federal facility where almost a million inmates were dumped after being infected with Virus 26, the government's convenient answer to stop feeding prisoners serving life sentences without

technically killing them. The prisoners are a tremendous asset to keep Sasha and DP alive in zombie hell, the problem is they don't know if they can trust them any more than the dead.

The only way Sasha can keep the situation from breaking bad is to hatch a plan to bust everyone out of the prison camp. The escape goes south and chaos ensues, but a timely reunion with Donny saves Sasha from a massive horde of zombies. DP is not so lucky.

Inmates HEY GOMEZ and ZIA ZAFAR prove their loyalty during the escape and join Sasha and Donny for whatever waits beyond the miles of rugged mountain wilderness that surrounds the prison camp. When they reach civilization, they realize they have wandered into Canada and the real intention of Prison Camp 26 begins to become clear – the U.S. program to infect prisoners with Virus 26 wasn't about saving food; it was about creating an army of zombies that would spread like a plague over Canada and leave it ripe for U.S. occupation. If the dead culled the American population, too, so be it.

The prison break was exactly the trigger the feds had in mind to unleash the epidemic, but they never expected Sasha to survive. Or for her to get her memory back. When Canadian authorities pick her and the others up near Calgary, Sasha's knowledge of Virus 26 gets them thrown in a secret underground security facility where they are one part prisoners and one part researchers working on a vaccine that will stop the spread of the disease before it becomes a full-blown zombie apocalypse.

Sasha forms an uneasy friendship with CSIS AGENT THOMAS WALTERS, who spars with Hey for Sasha's affection in the month they spend underground while she develops the vaccine. But the situation on the ground is quickly deteriorating, and soon not even the secure facility is safe. Sasha loses the race against time and Thomas is forced to seal Donny, Hey and Zia into the facility – leaving them to die – in the mad dash to get out before a sea of zombies floods in.

With a vaccine in hand that *might* work and a flash drive full of crucial data, Sasha and Thomas are left to balance their tense alliance as they head out across a country now riddled with zombies. They're on their way to Washington, D.C. – the heart of the enemy – to meet CARL PETERS, the only man who can help them finish the vaccine and disseminate it. Carl just happens to be the same gutless bureaucrat who stopped Sasha from destroying Virus 26 years ago and got her thrown in jail in the first place. With a grudge to settle against Thomas, Donny, Hey and Zia find a way to blast out of the sealed facility, but are left weeks behind and with limited options to track Sasha and save her from the agent.