



Inspection Report

Wildlife Partners LLC
4630 N Loop 1604 W Ste 305
San Antonio, TX 78249

Customer ID: **502049**

Certificate: **74-B-0784**

Site: 001

WILDLIFE PARTNERS LLC

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 03-OCT-2019

2.131(b)(1) CRITICAL

HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

On 9/25/19 seven ring-tail lemurs that ranged in ages from 7 months to 5 years were inappropriately handled that resulted in the death of one adult male lemur. The licensee's employee moved the lemurs from their primary enclosures and loaded the animals into plastic crates where they stayed for 1.5 to 3 hours awaiting pick up by the buyer. According to the ranch manager and the primary caretaker, one adult male lemur was discovered in serious condition at the time when the animal was removed from the facility's holding plastic crate and transferred to the buyers crate. He was suffering from multiple fight/bite wounds. Large wounds were present on the thigh, forearm, inguinal area, testicle and the skull was described as exposed with a wound that extended down the neck. The tail was also broken.

Multiple lemurs were placed in single crates. The 3 crates each measured 24"L x 20"W x 23"H for a total of 3.33 square feet per crate. This is an inadequate amount of space for multiple lemurs (Group 2 species) to be housed or transported together. Furthermore, the primary caretaker who captured and moved the lemurs on 9/25/19 said he was unaware of the genders or ages of the lemurs and did not know what genders were placed with the injured male. The ranch manager and animal caretaker stated the animals were checked on several times after being placed in the crates and appeared to be calm.

The injured lemur died a few days later as a result of the trauma. Immediate veterinary care was provided by the licensee's veterinarian and a few days later the wounds required additional surgical repair by the buyer's veterinarian.

These lemurs were handled in a manner that was not as expeditiously or as carefully as possible to prevent trauma or unnecessary discomfort. Disrupting the social group and housing animals of mix ages and unknown genders is likely to cause aggression between primates. Compounding this by housing them in crowded confinement for several hours further increased the behavioral stress (increasing the likelihood of serious injury). As a result of this inappropriate handling, this male lemur experienced significant pain and distress later dying as a result of the trauma. Animals must be handled as expeditiously and carefully as possible that does not cause trauma or unnecessary discomfort.

CORRECT BY: 10/12/19

The focused inspection was conducted with the ranch manager and the exit briefing was conducted with the Managing Member.

Note : This facility no longer has non human primates.

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Species Inspected

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No Animals were Inspected.

| Count | Scientific Name | Common Name |
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| 000000 | NONE | NONE |
| 000000 | Total | |