



Inspection Report

Zoological Society Of San Diego
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Customer ID: **3648**

Certificate: **93-C-0040**

Site: 002

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Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 20-FEB-2025

3.150(a) Critical

Facilities, general.

On the morning of December 12, 2024, a 4.5-year-old female greater flamingo was found deceased in her housing area. Records, including a surveillance video of the bobcat with the flamingo, indicate the flamingo was predated by a bobcat early that morning. Since the incident, additional security measures have been implemented to protect the flamingos housed in this area.

On the morning of December 16, 2024, an approximately 9-year-old male magpie goose was found deceased within his habitat. Medical records, including a necropsy report, and discussions with facility personnel indicate the wounds sustained by the magpie are consistent with those from a predator. Since this incident, there have been no birds housed in this area.

Failure to maintain the bird enclosures in a manner which adequately protects all the facility's birds such as ensuring enclosures are predator proof may lead to potential injury, harm, or death. Housing facilities for birds must be designed and constructed so that they are structurally sound for the species of bird housed in them. They must be kept in good repair, protect the birds from injury, and restrict other animals from entering that may negatively affect their welfare. Correct from this day, 02/27/25, forward

3.125(a) Critical Repeat

Facilities, general.

On December 30, 2024, a 6.5-year-old female red-flank duiker was found deceased within her outdoor habitat. The night before, keepers were unable to bring her into her night quarters as she was hiding under a bridge, and due to human safety factors, could not bring her in. Records and discussion with facility personnel indicate that based on the characteristic traumatic lesions noted on her body, scavenging and sightings of bobcats in the area, predation was likely the cause of death.

Records show since the incident, the facility has increased deterrents, met with state wildlife officials to assist with permits to trap and relocate the bobcats, and have established a wildlife coexistence work group.

Failure to maintain the duiker habitat in a manner which adequately protects all the animals housed within such as ensuring enclosures are predator proof may lead to potential injury, harm or death. Animal housing facilities must protect

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000165	<i>Phoenicopterus roseus</i>	GREATER FLAMINGO
000000	<i>Anseranas semipalmata</i>	MAGPIE GOOSE
000000	<i>Cephalophus rufilatus</i>	RED-FLANKED DUIKER
000165	Total	