



Inspection Report

Pueblo Zoological Society
3455 NUCKOLLS AVE.
PUEBLO, CO 81005

Customer ID: **3507**

Certificate: **84-C-0153**

Site: 001

PUEBLO ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 17-DEC-2025

3.125(a) Critical

Facilities, general.

On July 27, 2025, both swift foxes escaped their enclosure overnight. The next morning one of the swift foxes was observed running in the bison enclosure adjacent to the swift fox enclosure. The other swift fox escaped and has not been recovered. The foxes had dug a hole from their outdoor enclosure under the dig barrier into the bison enclosure. The facility set a trap and captured the male swift fox overnight. He was placed inside the swift fox indoor enclosure, but the fox escaped through the window that night and also escaped his outdoor enclosure. The facility has had swift foxes in this enclosure for many years with no escapes. Unlike the swift foxes in the past, these were wild caught and had only been in this enclosure for three months. Despite placing traps, they have not been able to capture either swift fox. They were spotted on trail cams on property up until August 31, 2025. They have not been observed since, but the facility continues to place traps when weather permits. Animal escapes can be detrimental to their well-being. This can result in no access to water, food, and possible injury and death. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The indoor and outdoor housing facilities shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals. The facility corrected this on July 30, 2025, by not putting any swift foxes back into the enclosure.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

Date:

22-DEC-2025

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL
OFFICER

Received by Title: Facility Representative

Date:

22-DEC-2025



Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
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