



## Inspection Report

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California Wolf Center  
P. O. Box 1389  
Julian, CA 92036

Customer ID: **3666**  
Certificate: **93-C-1161**  
Site: 001  
California Wolf Center

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION  
Date: 29-JAN-2025

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### 3.133 Critical

#### Separation.

On June 23, 2024, a 10-year-old spayed female Mexican Gray Wolf, ID # F1363, was found injured in her enclosure, which she shared with two six-year-old intact male Mexican Gray Wolves. Husbandry staff indicated they observed multiple wounds on the animal and tissue hanging from her lower abdomen. The female was sedated and evaluated by veterinary staff followed by general anesthesia and exploratory abdominal surgery. Due to the severity of the wounds and poor prognosis, she was euthanized by the attending veterinarian. A necropsy was performed, and the cause of death was reported as, "...Humane Euthanasia due to attack and damage caused by other wolves housed in her enclosure." According to facility staff, the wolves had been living in the same enclosure for approximately 5 years with no previous signs of incompatibility detected.

Animals may suffer from stress, injury, or death when housed with other animals with which they are or become incompatible.

The facility must ensure that animals housed in the same enclosure are compatible, and that animals are not housed near other animals that interfere with their health or that cause them discomfort.

Corrected at the time of inspection on January 29, 2025.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
3666	93-C-1161	001	California Wolf Center	29-JAN-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000022	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000022	<b>Total</b>	