



## Inspection Report

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St. Catherines Island Foundation  
182 CAMELLIA RD  
MIDWAY, GA 31320

Customer ID: **34157**

Certificate: **57-C-0264**

Site: 001

ST CATHERINES ISLAND  
FOUNDATION

Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION

Date: 19-APR-2023

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**3.77(f)(2) Critical**

**Sheltered housing facilities.**

There is no perimeter fence or effective alternative strategy to keep unwanted animal species away from the facility's free ranging ring tail lemurs that have access to shelters nor the sheltered housing facility's population of lemurs on the island. Two unexpected deaths occurred, since the last inspection conducted in May 2019, that were attributed to predators per the facility representatives, based on the condition of the animal remains that were found. One adult lemur died November 3, 2019, and another adult lemur died January 9, 2020. The facility has seen predators that include coyotes, wild boar, raccoons, bobcats, and raptors, such as Great Horned Owls, on the island, which are all capable of causing these deaths. Also, a facility representative stated members of the public have been seen coming up to the high tide line on the island during the summer boating season. A perimeter fence variance has been in place since 2006, and the basis for the variance was that the island's remote location and inaccessibility was an effective natural barrier restricting entry of unauthorized humans and unwanted animals. Since the natural barrier is not proving to be effective at preventing contact with unauthorized humans and animals, the basis for the exemption is no longer valid.

Unrestricted access of unauthorized humans and unwanted animals can lead to injury and even death of the primates.

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A perimeter fence is necessary to protect the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from having contact with the animals in the facility, as well as act as a secondary containment system for their safety. All sheltered outdoor housing facilities must be enclosed by a six foot or higher perimeter fence, at least 3 feet in distance from the primary enclosure or an updated and approved written perimeter fence variance must be obtained from the Administrator.

This is a 1st Re-License Inspection for a Class "C" license. The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the applicant.

All items must be in compliance within 2 more inspections or JUNE 18, 2023 or the applicant will forfeit the license fee and must wait 6 months to reapply. Please contact your inspector to schedule your next Re-License Inspection.

Regulated activity can continue under your existing USDA license until it expires.

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### Species Inspected

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
34157	57-C-0264	001	ST CATHERINES ISLAND FOUNDATION	19-APR-2023

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000031	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000031	<b>Total</b>	