

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Cheyenne Mountain Zoological Society 4250 Cheyenne Mountain Zoo Road Colorado Springs, CO 80906 Customer ID: 3482

Certificate: 84-C-0001

Site: 001

CHEYENNE MOUNTAIN ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY 001

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 30-NOV-2023

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Handling of animals.

Since April 2022, there have been 7 recorded incidents of guests' clothing or belongings accidently or purposefully being deposited into the outdoor tiger enclosure. The enclosure currently houses a single male tiger "Chewy" who is approximately 8 years old. In most of the incidents, Chewy consumed at least part or all of the items including a lunchbox, a baby shoe, toddler-sized shoe, adult human's glove, and toddler-sized baseball caps. According to facility representatives, there has been no ill effect on Chewy from eating these unplanned items. The public barrier for this enclosure consists of metal wire panel fencing approximately 4 feet high that is intermittently lined in the front with taller wooden rods of varying height and allows guests to lean over and see down into the tiger enclosure. Because of this, guests can easily drop items or have their items blown into the tiger enclosure. Barriers between the public and dangerous animals should be effective including during reasonably expected weather conditions such as wind. During public exhibition, any animal must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animal and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of the animals and the public.

Correct by 05 February 2024.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

Prepared By: MADELINE ANNA Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

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Received by Title: Facility Representative Date:

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Species Inspected

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Count Scientific Name Common Name

000001 Panthera tigris TIGER

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