



Inspection Report

Wild Spirit Wolf Sanctuary
HC. 61 BOX 28
RAMAH, NM 87321

Customer ID: **3752**
Certificate: **85-C-0034**
Site: 001
WILD SPIRIT WOLF SANCTUARY

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 12-AUG-2021

3.6(a)(2)(iii) Critical

Primary enclosures.

On Monday, August 2, 2021, the Animal Care Supervisor of the facility sent an email regarding an escape incident involving a 6 year old male black/gray wolfdog named, "Tsume (tag #268)," a new rescue who arrived at the facility on July 29, 2021. The escape occurred sometime after the evening rounds at 4:30 pm on July 31, 2021 and the morning rounds at 8:00 am on August 1, 2021. The wolfdog escaped his enclosure by digging down to the dig guard and pulling it away from the fencing allowing him to squeeze through the small opening he created. The animal's tracks were followed to one of the outer perimeter gates where he was able to squeeze underneath to escape the facility completely. Facility staff did a thorough search inside the perimeter, then proceeded to search around the areas near the sanctuary. Local officials and residents had been notified of the escape. The staff responded to all sightings; however, the exact location of the wolfdog is not known, and the facility has been unable to recover the animal. Since the incident the facility has added a bar to the perimeter gate so it cannot be pushed outward and filled in the ground with dirt where it eroded. The enclosure where the animal escaped from is not being utilized at this time. The facility will add new reinforced dig guards, and the hole filled before another animal is allowed into the enclosure. Animals escaping from primary enclosures are more vulnerable to harm from surrounding predatory animals and further injury when they are not safely contained. Corrected before time of inspection.

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This inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the Animal Care Supervisor and Executive Director.

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Species Inspected

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3752	85-C-0034	001	WILD SPIRIT WOLF SANCTUARY	12-AUG-2021

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Canis lupus familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000004	<i>Canis latrans</i>	COYOTE
000002	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000005	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000004	<i>Canis lupus hallstromi</i>	NEW GUINEA SINGING DOG
000003	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>	DINGO
000038	<i>Canis lupus X C. l. familiaris</i>	WOLF/DOG HYBRID
000058	Total	