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# **Inspection Report**

Summer Wind Farm Sanctuary

6490 Mowerson Rd

Brown City, MI 48416

Customer ID: 6902

Certificate: 34-C-0227

Site: 001

SUMMER WIND FARMS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 25-APR-2017

# 3.125(c) REPEAT

#### **FACILITIES, GENERAL.**

The meat cooler had an overwhelming odor of rotten and decaying meat. This odor makes it very hard to determine if the meat items stored in this cooler are fit for animal consumption. Clean the cooler, identify the source of the odor and eliminate it.

The produce cooler contains spoiled produce. Deteriorating bags of lettuce, discolored oranges, softening apples and another deteriorating bagged produce were present in the cooler. This produce was stored on the already sorted (feed side of the cooler). Spoiled produce must be removed promptly to prevent contamination of food intended to be fed to the animals. Sort and remove spoiled produce promptly. This cooler needs to be cleaned and have spoiled and deteriorating items removed in order to prevent contamination of food items that will be fed to the animals. A decaying dead rodent was noted inside a bin containing old monkey biscuits and a bag of dog food which was being fed to the emus according to the CEO. The facility management claims to be sorting the produce again before feeding but the deteriorating and rotten condition of the produce present in the American black bear and Asian black bear food receptacle boxes makes it impossible for APHIS inspectors to determine if this is true.

## 3.127(d)

#### **FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.**

Sections of the perimeter fence near Mohan's enclosure and near the grizzly bear enclosure are becoming over run with vines and trees. This excess of vegetation must be trimmed back to ensure the structural integrity of the fence and to allow for proper inspection of the fence. Large, dangerous animals are housed at this facility and the perimeter fence serves as a secondary barrier between these animals and the public. Any animal escape could have potentially lethal outcomes for the animal or a member of the public. Remove excess vegetation from these sections of the perimeter fence and any other areas of the perimeter where it is needed.

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FEEDING.

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The food receptacle boxes for the American black bear, Asian black bear and Syrian brown bear enclosures need to be cleaned. There is a large amount of rotting food debris in and around the Asian and American black bear boxes. All bear food receptacle boxes have walls and sides which are very dirty. These food receptacles are not sanitary. The grizzly bear is being fed on the dirt floor inside its shelter. Any food fed in this areas is going to be contaminated by the rotting material present. These feeders need to be cleaned and made sanitary to ensure that the food fed to the bears is wholesome and free from bacterial or pest infestation which could result in health issues for the bears. Diarrhea was noted inside the enclosures for the Asian black bears and American black bears. The CEO commented that diarrhea was quite a common occurrence for the bears and believed that this was very common in bears.

#### 3.130 **REPEAT**

#### WATERING.

The water receptacle for the enclosure containing the tiger known as Daisy had a large amount of algae slime lining its interior. The water was green in appearance. The coyote water bucket had a layer of brown slime inside it. The water receptacle for the Syrian Brown bear enclosure contained a small amount of green water with algae floating in it. The American black bear water receptacle was empty. The pool inside the enclosure contained filthy green water. The water receptacle for the cougar contained very dirty water with material floating in it. These water receptacles are not being cleaned and sanitized on a regular basis. Water receptacles should be kept clean and sanitary to promote adequate water consumption which is essential for animal health. Clean and sanitize these water receptacles more frequently.

#### 3.131(a) REPEAT

#### SANITATION.

There was excessive feces in the tiger known as Lilly's enclosure. There was excessive food waste inside Lilly's shelter. There was excessive food waste and feces inside the shelter for the tiger known as Daisy. There was excessive feces and food waste in the tiger known as Mohan's enclosure. There was excessive food waste in the den area of Mohan's enclosure. There is excessive food waste and rotting produce near the food receptacle and in the Asian black bear enclosure. There is excessive bones and food waste in the enclosure for the grizzly bear. There was excessive food waste and rotting material present in the cougar den box. There was excessive fecal material in the cougar's enclosure. An enclosure housing two foxes contained excessive feces and damp soiled bedding material. These enclosures need to be cleaned on a more frequent basis. This rotting material and feces can lead to pest control issues. With warmer weather coming to the area quite soon these odor and pest control issues will be exacerbated. The rotting material present in these animal enclosures can contaminate them as they lie in their enclosures. These animals can ingest this material when they groom. Not removing old food waste

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promptly can lead to contamination of new food. Ingesting this rotten material can lead to potential health problems. Clean these enclosures more frequently to prevent a buildup of food and fecal waste to minimize odors and prevent potential health problems for the animals housed in them.

## 3.131(c) REPEAT

## SANITATION.

The entire premises is filled with various debris, old equipment, boards, trash old animal enclosures and fence. Several other buildings on the property are also filled with old equipment and debris and trash. Tall weed were present in many area of the facility. These areas provide ample hiding areas for rodents and other pests and numerous rodent holes were located throughout the facility. All this material must be removed to help control pests.

The food preparation/ butcher area counter is cluttered with supplies and is very dirty. Butcher knifes still dirty with blood are on the counter. The cabinet under the counter is rotting away do to a water leak. The room next to the butcher area is filled with debris. An old cooler right outside the butcher area is overgrown with mold. These conditions make it impossible to properly clean these areas. Remove all this trash and debris and clean and sanitize the food preparation area.

## 3.131(d) REPEAT

#### SANITATION.

Many rodent holes were located throughout the facility. Rodent holes were located in the alleyway for the leopard row cat enclosures. A rodent hole was noted going under the shelter for the cougar enclosure. A dead and mummifying mouse was noted inside a food receptacle bin inside the produce cooler. Rodent feces was noted on shelves inside the warm room. Rodents can be carriers of disease which may be harmful to the animals housed in these areas. A more effective means of rodent control must be established for the facility.

#### 3.132 CRITICAL REPEAT

### EMPLOYEES.

It is evident that despite the reduction in animal numbers that there is a lack of adequately trained employees. The persistence of multiple animal welfare act violations related to basic animal husbandry issues illustrates this point. The facility relies on volunteer workers. A lack of properly trained employees can result in facility and animal conditions that result in unnecessary animal suffering. Prior to the start of the inspection today a member of facility management stated to the inspectors that she felt the findings on our inspections were not a big deal. It is this indifference to the basic animal husbandry needs of animals housed at this facility that contributes to the poor conditions at this facility. Animal numbers must be reduced or more properly trained workers need to be added.

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The inspection was conducted with the facility CEO. An informal exit interview was conducted with the CEO at the conclusion of the inspection. A formal exit interview was conducted with the CEO on 4-27-17.

The condition of the tiger known as Daisy and the Syrian brown bears is under review by APHIS officials.

# **Additional Inspectors**

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# **Species Inspected**

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6902	34-C-0227	001	SUMMER WIND FARMS	25-APR-17

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	Canis latrans	COYOTE
000001	Macaca fascicularis	CRAB-EATING MACAQUE / CYNOMOLGUS MONKEY
000001	Macaca fuscata	JAPANESE MACAQUE / SNOW MACAQUE
000004	Panthera tigris	TIGER
000001	Puma concolor	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000002	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000001	Ursus arctos horribilis	GRIZZLY BEAR
000002	Ursus arctos syriacus	SYRIAN BROWN BEAR
000002	Ursus thibetanus	ASIATIC BLACK BEAR
000003	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000018	Total	