



Inspection Report

Houston Zoo Inc.
1513 Cambridge Street
Houston, TX 77030

Customer ID: **3877**
Certificate: **74-C-0082**
Site: 001
Houston Zoo Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 07-NOV-2023

3.158(d) Critical

Cleaning, sanitization, housekeeping, and pest control.

During inventory review, it was discovered that on September 18, 2023, in TDFN3 (an off-exhibit holding area), the remnants of two previously healthy two-month-old Blue-crowned laughingthrush chicks were found in a rat's nest inside their enclosure by one of the keepers. Although the necropsy results could not determine cause of death, predation could not be ruled out considering two live rats were also found inside the enclosure. Pests can negatively impact the health and well-being of the birds as they can introduce diseases and/or possibly kill them, both indirectly and directly. A safe and effective program for the control of insects, ectoparasites, and avian and mammalian pests must be maintained to promote the health and well-being of the birds and reduce contamination by pests in animal areas. The facility implemented additional pest control measures, including, but not limited to: adding additional bait boxes and live traps throughout the area and ramped up trapping; frequent meetings of multiple departments for action items and housekeeping; structural changes to decrease pest access; collaboration with management of neighboring public lands; and tracking of pest sightings as a measurement of program effectiveness.

Correct By: November 10, 2023

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Callimico goeldii</i>	GOELDI'S MONKEY
000003	<i>Callithrix pygmaea</i>	PYGMY MARMOSET
000002	<i>Leontopithecus rosalia</i>	GOLDEN LION TAMARIN
000002	<i>Eulemur coronatus</i>	CROWNED LEMUR
000006	<i>Alouatta caraya</i>	BLACK HOWLER
000002	<i>Allenopithecus nigroviridis</i>	ALLEN'S SWAMP MONKEY
000001	<i>Cercopithecus neglectus</i>	DE BRAZZA'S MONKEY
000003	<i>Erythrocebus patas</i>	PATAS MONKEY
000009	<i>Gorilla gorilla</i>	WESTERN GORILLA
000013	<i>Pan troglodytes</i>	CHIMPANZEE
000004	<i>Pongo pygmaeus</i>	BORNEAN ORANGUTAN
000002	<i>Symphalangus syndactylus</i>	SIAMANG
000009	<i>Zalophus californianus</i>	CALIFORNIA SEA LION
000002	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000016	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH
000002	<i>Panthera onca</i>	JAGUAR
000002	<i>Neofelis nebulosa</i>	CLOUDED LEOPARD
000003	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000002	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000003	<i>Leopardus pardalis</i>	OCELOT
000001	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000036	<i>Heterocephalus glaber</i>	NAKED MOLE-RAT
000013	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>	CAPYBARA
000003	<i>Coendou prehensilis</i>	PREHENSILE-TAILED PORCUPINE
000001	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000001	<i>Callosciurus prevostii</i>	PREVOST'S SQUIRREL / TRI-COLORED SQUIRREL
000003	<i>Cephalophus silvicultor</i>	YELLOW-BACKED DUIKER
000003	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>	RED RIVER HOG
000002	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000002	<i>Myrmecophaga tridactyla</i>	GIANT ANTEATER
000001	<i>Tolypeutes matatus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000042	<i>Carollia perspicillata</i>	SEBA'S SHORT-TAILED BAT
000012	<i>Elephas maximus</i>	ASIAN ELEPHANT
000002	<i>Cryptoprocta ferox</i>	FOSSA
000004	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>	GIRAFFE
000005	<i>Suricata suricatta</i>	SLENDER-TAILED MEERKAT
000009	<i>Mungos mungo</i>	BANDED MONGOOSE
000004	<i>Okapia johnstoni</i>	OKAPI
000001	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000002	<i>Ailurus fulgens</i>	RED PANDA
000002	<i>Ceratotherium simum</i>	WHITE RHINOCEROS
000002	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000001	<i>Choloepus hoffmanni</i>	HOFFMANN'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000001	<i>Tamandua tetradactyla</i>	SOUTHERN TAMANDUA
000002	<i>Tapirus bairdii</i>	BAIRD'S TAPIR
000002	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG
000002	<i>Pithecia pithecia</i>	WHITE-FACED SAKI
000001	<i>Bos primigenius indicus</i>	ZEBU



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000002	<i>Aonyx cinereus</i>		ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER	
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>		BOBCAT	
000002	<i>Propithecus coquereli</i>		COQUEREL'S SIFAKA	
000010	<i>Fukomys damarensis</i>		DAMARA / DAMARALAND MOLE-RAT / DAMARALAND BLES MOL	
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>		CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)	
000004	<i>Tragelaphus eurycerus</i>		BONGO	
000001	<i>Leontopithecus chrysomelas</i>		GOLDEN-HEADED LION TAMARIN	
000002	<i>Equus quagga</i>		BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA	
000002	<i>Lama glama</i>		LLAMA	
000004	<i>Lemur catta</i>		RING-TAILED LEMUR	
000006	<i>Cercopithecus ascanius</i>		RED-TAILED MONKEY	
000003	<i>Nomascus leucogenys</i>		WHITE-CHEEKED GIBBON	
000002	<i>Saguinus oedipus</i>		COTTON-TOP TAMARIN	
000001	<i>Euphractus sexcinctus</i>		YELLOW ARMADILLO	
000004	<i>Pteronura brasiliensis</i>		GIANT OTTER	
000002	<i>Dasyprocta leporina</i>		BRAZILIAN AGOUTI	
000002	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>		DINGO	
000003	<i>Lycaon pictus</i>		AFRICAN HUNTING DOG / AFRICAN WILD DOG	
000002	<i>Cephalophus monticola</i>		BLUE DUIKER	
000003	<i>Sus scrofa</i>		WILD BOAR	
000001	<i>Leopardus wiedii</i>		MARGAY	
000001	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>		DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT	
000001	<i>Struthio camelus</i>		COMMON OSTRICH	
000003	<i>Guttera pucherani</i>		EASTERN CRESTED GUINEAFOWL	
000002	<i>Spatula platalea</i>		RED SHOVELER	
000004	<i>Rhea americana</i>		GREATER RHEA / AMERICAN RHEA	
000002	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>		WILD TURKEY	
000002	<i>Macrocephalon maleo</i>		MALEO	
000002	<i>Anthropoides paradiseus</i>		BLUE CRANE / STANLEY CRANE	
000002	<i>Pelecanus occidentalis</i>		BROWN PELICAN	
000005	<i>Crax alberti</i>		BLUE-BILLED CURASSOW	
000002	<i>Branta sandvicensis</i>		HAWAIIAN GOOSE / NE-NE	
000002	<i>Oxyura maccoa</i>		MACCOA DUCK	
000006	<i>Crax globulosa</i>		WATTLED CURASSOW	
000005	<i>Rollulus rouloul</i>		CRESTED PARTRIDGE	
000036	<i>Gallus gallus</i>		RED JUNGLEFOWL	
000001	<i>Dendrocygna autumnalis</i>		BLACK-BELLIED WHISTLING-DUCK	
000006	<i>Dendrocygna viduata</i>		WHITE-FACED WHISTLING-DUCK	
000002	<i>Pauxi pauxi</i>		HELMETED CURASSOW / NORTHERN HELMETED CURASSOW	
000003	<i>Sarkidiornis sylvicola</i>		COMB DUCK / AMERICAN COMB DUCK	
000003	<i>Goura victoria</i>		VICTORIA CROWNED-PIGEON	
000002	<i>Lophura edwardsi</i>		EDWARDS'S PHEASANT / VIETNAM PHEASANT	
000002	<i>Grus americana</i>		WHOOPING CRANE	
000005	<i>Eudocimus albus</i>		WHITE IBIS	
000002	<i>Himantopus himantopus</i>		BLACK-WINGED STILT	
000002	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>		GREAT HORNED OWL	
000004	<i>Polyplectron napoleonis</i>		PALAWAN PEACOCK-PHEASANT	
000001	<i>Aythya baeri</i>		BAER'S POCHARD	
000002	<i>Chalcophaps indica</i>		ASIAN EMERALD DOVE / GREY-CAPPED EMERALD DOVE	



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000004	<i>Gallicolumba crinigera</i>		MINDANAO BLEEDING-HEART	
000002	<i>Zenaida graysoni</i>		SOCORRO DOVE	
000001	<i>Afropavo congensis</i>		CONGO PEACOCK / PEAHEN / PEA FOWL	
000004	<i>Oxyura jamaicensis</i>		RUDDY DUCK	
000002	<i>Oxyura vittata</i>		LAKE DUCK	
000052	<i>Phoenicopterus chilensis</i>		CHILEAN FLAMINGO	
000003	<i>Chauna torquata</i>		SOUTHERN SCREAMER / CRESTED SCREAMER	
000001	<i>Coscoroba coscoroba</i>		COSCOROBA SWAN	
000001	<i>Amazonetta brasiliensis</i>		BRAZILIAN TEAL	
000004	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>		MALLARD	
000004	<i>Callonetta leucophrys</i>		RINGED TEAL	
000001	<i>Oressochen jubatus</i>		ORINOCO GOOSE	
000001	<i>Geotrygon versicolor</i>		CRESTED QUAIL-DOVE	
000002	<i>Spatula puna</i>		PUNA TEAL	
000002	<i>Ducula bicolor</i>		PIED IMPERIAL-PIGEON	
000002	<i>Gallicolumba tristigmata</i>		SULAWESI GROUND DOVE	
000002	<i>Ptilinopus melanospilus</i>		BLACK-NAPED FRUIT-DOVE	
000005	<i>Vanellus chilensis</i>		SOUTHERN LAPWING	
000002	<i>Ptilinopus porphyreus</i>		PINK-HEADED FRUIT-DOVE	
000009	<i>Streptopelia roseogrisea</i>		AFRICAN COLLARED-DOVE	
000002	<i>Musophaga rossae</i>		ROSS'S TURACO	
000005	<i>Porphyrio poliocephalus</i>		GRAY-HEADED SWAMPHEN	
000002	<i>Mycteria americana</i>		WOOD STORK	
000002	<i>Tauraco fischeri</i>		FISCHER'S TURACO	
000001	<i>Coccyzus americanus</i>		YELLOW-BILLED CUCKOO	
000002	<i>Aramides ypecaha</i>		GIANT WOOD-RAIL	
000004	<i>Guira guira</i>		GUIRA CUCKOO	
000002	<i>Cochlearius cochlearius</i>		BOAT-BILLED HERON	
000001	<i>Bubo bubo</i>		EURASIAN EAGLE-OWL	
000002	<i>Eurypyga helias</i>		SUNBITTERN	
000001	<i>Gallirallus owstoni</i>		GUAM RAIL	
000003	<i>Psophia crepitans</i>		GRAY-WINGED TRUMPETER	
000005	<i>Plegadis ridgwayi</i>		PUNA IBIS	
000002	<i>Anthropoides paradiseus</i>		BLUE CRANE / STANLEY CRANE	
000015	<i>Spheniscus humboldti</i>		HUMBOLDT PENGUIN	
000002	<i>Jacana jacana</i>		WATTLED JACANA	
000002	<i>Athene cunicularia</i>		BURROWING OWL	
000003	<i>Theristicus melanopis</i>		BLACK-FACED IBIS	
000008	<i>Lophotibis cristata</i>		MADAGASCAR IBIS	
000003	<i>Platalea ajaja</i>		ROSEATE SPOONBILL	
000001	<i>Scopus umbretta</i>		HAMERKOP	
000002	<i>Megascops asio</i>		EASTERN SCREECH-OWL	
000001	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>		BLACK VULTURE / MEXICAN VULTURE	
000002	<i>Ramphastos sulfuratus</i>		KEEL-BILLED TOUCAN	
000002	<i>Gyps coprotheres</i>		CAPE GRIFFON / CAPE VULTURE	
000001	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>		RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED MACAW	
000002	<i>Euphonia violacea</i>		VIOLECEOUS EUPHONIA	
000002	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>		BALD EAGLE	
000001	<i>Falco mexicanus</i>		PRAIRIE FALCON	
000001	<i>Gyps rueppelli</i>		RÜPPELL'S GRIFFON	
000002	<i>Necrosyrtes monachus</i>		HOODED VULTURE	



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000001	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>		HARRIS'S HAWK	
000002	<i>Icterus icterus</i>		VENEZUELAN TROUPIAL	
000005	<i>Paroaria gularis</i>		RED-CAPPED CARDINAL	
000001	<i>Buceros rhinoceros</i>		RHINOCEROS HORNBILL	
000010	<i>Ara glaucogularis</i>		BLUE-THROATED MACAW	
000002	<i>Bucorvus leadbeateri</i>		SOUTHERN GROUND-HORNBILL	
000001	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>		ECLECTUS PARROT	
000001	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>		LAUGHING KOOKABURRA	
000002	<i>Capito niger</i>		BLACK-SPOTTED BARBET	
000002	<i>Haemorhous mexicanus</i>		HOUSE FINCH	
000001	<i>Momotus momota</i>		AMAZONIAN MOTMOT	
000004	<i>Rupicola peruvianus</i>		ANDEAN COCK-OF-THE-ROCK	
000003	<i>Pteroglossus beauharnaisii</i>		CURL-CRESTED ARACARI	
000001	<i>Ampeliceps coronatus</i>		GOLDEN-CRESTED MYNA	
000002	<i>Selenidera piperivora</i>		GUIANAN TOUCANET	
000001	<i>Pheucticus ludovicianus</i>		ROSE-BREASTED GROSBEAK	
000004	<i>Geokichla dohertyi</i>		CHESTNUT-BACKED THRUSH	
000001	<i>Polihierax semitorquatus</i>		PYGMY FALCON	
000002	<i>Thraupis episcopus</i>		BLUE-GRAY TANAGER	
000001	<i>Ara ararauna</i>		BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW	
000002	<i>Cacicus cela</i>		YELLOW-RUMPED CACIQUE	
000007	<i>Passerina caerulea</i>		BLUE GROSBEAK	
000006	<i>Amazona guildingii</i>		ST. VINCENT PARROT	
000001	<i>Xipholena punicea</i>		POMPADOUR COTINGA	
000004	<i>Guaruba guarouba</i>		GOLDEN PARAKEET	
000002	<i>Cyanopica cyanus</i>		AZURE-WINGED MAGPIE	
000002	<i>Sporophila maximiliani</i>		GREAT-BILLED SEED-FINCH	
000002	<i>Cyanocorax chrysops</i>		PLUSH-CRESTED JAY	
000005	<i>Pterorhinus courtoisi</i>		BLUE-CROWNED LAUGHINGTHRUSH	
000002	<i>Lamprolornis chloropterus</i>		LESSER BLUE-EARED STARLING	
000002	<i>Leucopsar rothschildi</i>		BALI MYNA	
000021	<i>Lonchura castaneothorax</i>		CHESTNUT-BREASTED MUNIA	
000012	<i>Passerina cyanea</i>		INDIGO BUNTING	
000007	<i>Amandava amandava</i>		RED AVADAVAT	
000004	<i>Erythrura tricolor</i>		TRICOLORED PARROTFINCH	
000002	<i>Ramphocelus carbo</i>		SILVER-BEAKED TANAGER	
000010	<i>Lonchura punctulata</i>		SCALY-BREASTED MUNIA / NUTMEG MANNIKIN	
000029	<i>Padda oryzivora</i>		JAVA SPARROW	
000016	<i>Psarocolius viridis</i>		GREEN OROPENDOLA	
000001	<i>Zonotrichia leucophrys</i>		WHITE-CROWNED SPARROW	
000006	<i>Passerina ciris</i>		PAINTED BUNTING	
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