



Inspection Report

City Of Alamogordo
1376 East 9th Street
Alamogordo, NM 88310

Customer ID: **3484**
Certificate: **85-C-0003**
Site: 001
CITY OF ALAMOGORDO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 29-JUL-2025

3.150(a) Critical

Facilities, general.

On the morning of 03/26/2025, zoo staff discovered the carcasses of one adult ne-ne goose and two adult bar-headed geese inside an enclosure shared with a black swan, ducks and other geese. The three birds killed and the others inside the enclosure were non-flighted. Based on the scant remains of the carcasses, zoo staff believe a predator was able to enter the enclosure overnight after gaining access to the interior of the zoo by going over the perimeter fence or through a damaged portion of the perimeter fence (as mentioned elsewhere in this report). As documented in facility records, the open-air enclosure had no netting or other protective measures to exclude predators, and the pond inside was drained earlier that day for cleaning and maintenance and remained empty overnight. The zoo manager stated that she had told city management there was a critical need for enhanced environmental protection for the birds in 2022, and the city obtained funds to include installation of protective netting ~7 months prior to the incident. The birds were moved to another location where the pond can be drained and refilled before nighttime, and the original portion of the enclosure where the incident occurred is no longer in use.

Failure to properly secure the enclosure from predators resulted in the predation and death of three birds and likely distress for the other birds in the enclosure; these non-flighted birds were unable to escape to high perches, water or other protective features to avoid the predator. The licensee must ensure that flight-restricted birds or birds that cannot fly and are allowed to roam free within the housing facility or a portion thereof have access to safety pens, enclosures, or other areas that offer the birds protection during the overnight periods and at times when their activities are not monitored. Enclosures must also meet the regulatory requirements for construction and enable provision of enrichment for each species housed there as outlined in the facility's attending veterinarian-approved Environmental Enhancement Plan for Birds.

TO BE CORRECTED BY 08/09/2025

3.127(d) Repeat

Facilities, outdoor.

There are sections of the perimeter fence that are in poor repair, with sagging, broken or missing wire strands that create large gaps or contribute to an insufficient minimum required height for the species housed at the facility. One section along the west fence line measures only 78" from the top to the ground, with an ~19" gap under the top part of the fence; another section along the west fence line is pieced together with scrap boards and wire and is of questionable integrity; the east cinder block wall has a section that is only 84" tall. Additionally, there are several sections of chain link fence in

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place as temporary perimeter fencing during construction of some areas, and those panels measure ~70" tall. The fence is inadequate because it cannot serve as a sturdy, secondary containment system for all the animals housed at the facility and may not prevent other animals and unauthorized people from entering where it is damaged or of insufficient height. The licensee must assess all perimeter fences at the facility for adequate height and structural integrity and modify the existing fence(s) or install a different perimeter fence or fences of at least 8' in height. The perimeter fence(s) must be a minimum of three feet from the primary enclosures and constructed so that the fence(s) protect(s) the animals by restricting entry of outside animals and unauthorized persons from going through it, or under it, or having contact with the animals in the facility. These criteria apply to all sections of fence that serve as a perimeter fence, whether permanent or temporary.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the zoo manager and facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	<i>Callithrix jacchus</i>	COMMON MARMOSET
000002	<i>Ursus americanus</i>	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000015	<i>Anas platyrhynchos domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC DUCK INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	<i>Tapirus terrestris</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN TAPIR
000002	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000002	<i>Lontra canadensis</i>	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000003	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000002	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000002	<i>Meleagris gallopavo</i>	WILD TURKEY
000001	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000001	<i>Vulpes macrotis</i>	KIT FOX
000003	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	GREAT HORNED OWL
000003	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	TURKEY VULTURE
000002	<i>Urocyon cinereoargenteus</i>	GRAY FOX / GREY FOX
000000	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000002	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000003	<i>Parabuteo unicinctus</i>	HARRIS'S HAWK
000008	<i>Sapajus appella</i>	BROWN CAPUCHIN / TUFTED CAPUCHIN
000004	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000004	<i>Chlorocebus pygerythrus</i>	VERVET
000004	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>	RED KANGAROO
000002	<i>Cercopithecus neglectus</i>	DE BRAZZA'S MONKEY
000002	<i>Addax nasomaculatus</i>	ADDAX
000001	<i>Lama guanicoe</i>	GUANACO
000024	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PEAHEN / PEACOCK
000005	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000001	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000001	<i>Euphractus sexcinctus</i>	YELLOW ARMADILLO
000001	<i>Fulica americana</i>	AMERICAN COOT
000001	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	BLACK SWAN
000001	<i>Ara ararauna</i>	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000003	<i>Odocoileus hemionus</i>	MULE DEER
000002	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000000	<i>Branta sandvicensis</i>	HAWAIIAN GOOSE / NE-NE
000001	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	BALD EAGLE
000002	<i>Corvus corax</i>	COMMON RAVEN
000002	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	EMU
000011	<i>Ploceus castaneiceps</i>	TAVETA GOLDEN-WEAVER
000001	<i>Chrysolophus pictus</i>	GOLDEN PHEASANT
000003	<i>Anser indicus</i>	BAR-HEADED GOOSE
000001	<i>Cairina moschata</i>	MUSCOVY DUCK
000002	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>	GRAY CROWNED-CRANE / AFRICAN CROWNED-CRANE / GOLDEN CROWNED-CRANE
000001	<i>Amazona oratrix</i>	YELLOW-HEADED PARROT / YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON / DOUBLE YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON
000002	<i>Zenaida asiatica</i>	WHITE-WINGED DOVE
000004	<i>Gallus sonneratii</i>	GRAY JUNGLEFOWL
000001	<i>Columba livia domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIGEON INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS



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000000	<i>Chrysolophus amherstiae</i>		LADY AMHERST'S PHEASANT	
000003	<i>Columba guinea</i>		SPECKLED PIGEON	
000001	<i>Camelus bactrianus</i>		BACTRIAN CAMEL	
000003	<i>Dama dama</i>		FALLOW DEER	
000002	<i>Mandrillus sphinx</i>		MANDRILL	
000001	<i>Anser anser</i>		GRAYLAG GOOSE	
000002	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>		RED RIVER HOG	
000001	<i>Buteo swainsoni</i>		SWAINSON'S HAWK	
000157	Total			