

## United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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## **Inspection Report**

Henry Hampton 14235 Hwy 801 Mount Ulla, NC 28125 Customer ID: 3271

Certificate: 55-B-0069

Site: 003

THE FARM AT WALNUT CREEK

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 26-MAR-2018

2.40(b)(2) DIRECT REPEAT

## ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

A female blackbuck antelope was found in the drive thru section of the facility limping and not bearing weight on its left rear leg. This animal was observed to be walking holding the left rear leg off of the ground and only placing the leg onto the ground once it stopped walking. The farm manager was not aware of this condition in the animal when asked. The facility has not started any treatment for this animal. Non-weight bearing is a sign of pain. This animal requires veterinary attention. Correct this by contacting your attending veterinarian and following recommended treatment.

\*\*\* This animal was examined and treated by the attending veterinarian on March 26th, 2018.

The program of veterinary (PVC) has been updated since the last inspection. It states the current primary method for tranquilization will be the drug mixture known as BAM and that the previous protocol will be used in the case that BAM is not effective. The previous protocol is the use of succinylcholine as the primary drug for tranquilization (without any drugs for anesthesia or analgesia or equipment for respiratory support). The farm manager stated during this inspection that they intend to continue using succinylcholine on elk, fallow deer, sika deer, and zebra. Succinylcholine is a paralytic agent that has no analgesic (pain relieving) or tranquilizing properties. The use of this drug for routine non-painful procedures in the absence of anesthesia to alter conscious awareness is considered distressful to the animal. In addition to the distress of paralysis while maintaining consciousness, this type of drug can also paralyze respiratory muscles causing animals to stop breathing, and if animals are not properly ventilated they can die of suffocation. This facility does not have adequate equipment, facilities, or training to intubate or mechanically ventilate animals in this event. Because of their distressing effects, narrow safety margin, and associated risk of mortality, the use of paralytic or neuromuscular-blocking drugs without direct veterinary administration, oversight and care (including the use of general anesthesia and respiratory support) is not consistent with providing adequate veterinary care.

Correct by working with your attending veterinarian to identify and implement a more appropriate chemical immobilization protocol that provides adequate care for all species being handled.

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#### 2.131(c)(1) **REPEAT**

### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

\*\*\* The public continues to be permitted to walk directly up the primary enclosures containing several species of animals. This includes sheep, kangaroo, muntjac deer, and goats. These animals are housed in walk through area of the zoo is open to the public. There are no barriers or signs present to discourage public contact and the guests are encouraged to feed food sold at the entry gate. There are no attendants present during public contact and guests may walk directly up to enclosures and pet the animals. Primary enclosure fences are made of material with spaces large enough for the guests to reach through and touch the animals. Licensees must ensure that during periods of public exhibition animals are handled with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animal and the general viewing public so as to assure the safety of animals and the public. Correct by placing barriers to prevent public contact with these animals or by ensuring that an adequate number of attendants are present at each of these locations to ensure the safety of both the public and the animals.

#### REPEAT 2.131(d)(2)

### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

\*\*\* Guests are allowed to drive through a section of the facility in their cars. No attendant is present in the drive through area when these unaccompanied visits are taking place. This facility also has horse drawn wagons that takes guests thru and allows public feeding with an attendant present. Allowing guests to feed from vehicles without attendants present does not protect the animals and the public nor does it provide a barrier or distance from the animals and the public. Correct this by providing an attendant at all times during public contact.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with farm manager.

## **Additional Inspectors**

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
3271	55-B-0069	003	THE FARM AT WALNUT CREEK	26-MAR-18

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000013	Ammotragus Iervia	BARBARY SHEEP
000012	Antilope cervicapra	BLACKBUCK
000024	Axis axis	AXIS DEER / SPOTTED DEER / CHITAL
000006	Bison bison	AMERICAN BISON
000005	Bos grunniens	YAK
000001	Bos primigenuis indicus	ZEBU
000019	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000001	Boselaphus tragocamelus	NILGAI
000014	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000007	Cervus elaphus canadensis	ELK
000179	Dama dama	FALLOW DEER
000004	Equus grevyi	GREVY'S ZEBRA
000006	Giraffa camelopardalis	GIRAFFE
000006	Hemitragus jemlahicus	HIMALAYAN TAHR
000017	Lama glama	LLAMA
000003	Lemur catta	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000019	Muntiacus reevesi	REEVE'S MUNTJAC
000003	Osphranter rufus	RED KANGAROO
000098	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000027	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000005	Taurotragus oryx	COMMON ELAND
000469	Total	