



## Inspection Report

Zoological Society Of San Diego  
P.O. Box 120551  
San Diego, CA 92112

Customer ID: **3648**

Certificate: **93-C-0040**

Site: 002

ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY OF SAN  
DIEGO

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 10-APR-2023

### 3.125(a)

#### Facilities, general.

In several enclosures, there were potential hazards for the animals contained in the enclosure that could result in injuries. In hill pen 2, where the cape buffalo was housed, there were metal fenceposts and rebar extending 1 foot vertically out of a retaining wall near the entrance to the enclosure, at chest height for the animal. According to the facility, the record rain washed away the dirt and rocks in the retaining wall exposing the pipes. In Addax/Addra there was a pvc irrigation pipe exposed across a ravine, creating a potential entrapment hazard. In the gerenuk enclosure, there was hardware wire with sharp points at face height for the animals. In PB08, on the door of the barbary sheep enclosure, the fence was no longer in good repair and had sharp points.

Facilities must be structurally sound, constructed with material that is an appropriate strength for the animals involved and shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injuries and contain the animals.

Corrected during inspection.

### 3.127(d)

#### Critical

#### Facilities, outdoor.

The perimeter fences and additional security methods in place were not sufficient to keep mountain lion from entering the facility and predating on four ungulates. The facility is located within the native habitat range for mountain lions and staff have successfully handled incursions by a different mountain lion through nonlethal mitigation measures that were effective preventing predation in the past. Despite these measures being in place, on February 2, 2023 a mountain lion entered the facility and predated one peninsular pronghorn. Although the facility staff quickly sought to prevent additional losses by implementing additional methods to prevent predation, during the next sixty-six (66) hour period the same mountain lion entered the facility at least three additional times and predated three additional animals (two East African Sitatunga and one Zambezi Lechwe). Following the last predation event, the facility was issued a state permit to allow for the implementation of non-lethal mitigation/deterrence methods. Since this time, the facility has partnered with local experts in wildlife biology and the California Department of Fish and Wildlife to identify and implement these lawfully authorized non-lethal deterrents and has successfully prevented additional predation.

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All licensees who maintain animals in outdoor housing facilities are required to have a perimeter fence that is constructed so that it protects animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized people from having contact with the animals in the facility. Failure to prevent entry of animals such as mountain lions may result in harm to the regulated animals.

As of the time of inspection, the noncompliance had been corrected by implementing additional methods to prevent the entry of this mountain lion by adding overnight Wildlife Care Specialists, hotwire, camera traps, surveillance, utilizing other deterrents, removing cover and attempting to capture the suspected individual mountain lion. No further incidents of predation have occurred since these methods were introduced.

Corrected at the time of inspection.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with Wildlife Care staff.

Additional Inspectors:

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### Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000009	<i>Macropus fuliginosus</i>	WESTERN GREY KANGAROO
000013	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	COMMON ELAND
000004	<i>Babryrousa babyrussa</i>	BABIRUSA
000005	<i>Antilocapra americana</i>	PRONGHORN
000002	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000003	<i>Felis margarita</i>	SAND CAT
000002	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000008	<i>Gorilla gorilla</i>	WESTERN GORILLA
000002	<i>Nomascus gabriellae</i>	BUFF-CHEEKED GIBBON
000005	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000004	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000006	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000003	<i>Otocyon megalotis</i>	BAT-EARED FOX
000005	<i>Cuon alpinus</i>	DHOLE
000018	<i>Acinonyx jubatus</i>	CHEETAH
000003	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000003	<i>Caracal caracal</i>	CARACAL
000002	<i>Felis nigripes</i>	BLACK-FOOTED CAT
000003	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000005	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000003	<i>Hystrix africaeaustralis</i>	CAPE PORCUPINE
000025	<i>Addax nasomaculatus</i>	ADDAX
000018	<i>Aepyceros melampus</i>	IMPALA
000017	<i>Antidorcas marsupialis</i>	SPRINGBOK
000065	<i>Antilope cervicapra</i>	BLACKBUCK
000005	<i>Cephalophus rufilatus</i>	RED-FLANKED DUIKER
000009	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>	BRINDLED WILDEBEEST
000031	<i>Nanger dama</i>	ADDRA GAZELLE
000009	<i>Gazella leptoceros</i>	SAND GAZELLE
000002	<i>Gazella rufifrons</i>	RED-FRONTED GAZELLE
000016	<i>Nanger soemmerringii</i>	SOEMMERRINGS GAZELLE
000014	<i>Gazella thomsonii</i>	THOMSON'S GAZELLE
000013	<i>Hippotragus equinus</i>	ROAN ANTELOPE
000007	<i>Hippotragus niger</i>	SABLE ANTELOPE
000016	<i>Kobus ellipsiprymnus</i>	COMMON WATERBUCK
000008	<i>Kobus kob</i>	KOB
000012	<i>Kobus leche</i>	RED LECHWE / SOUTHERN LECHWE
000037	<i>Kobus megaceros</i>	NILE LECHWE
000003	<i>Litocranius walleri</i>	GERENUK
000035	<i>Oryx dammah</i>	SCIMITAR-HORNED ORYX
000013	<i>Oryx gazella</i>	GEMSBOK
000015	<i>Oryx leucoryx</i>	ARABIAN ORYX
000001	<i>Raphicerus campestris</i>	STEENBOK
000009	<i>Tragelaphus angasii</i>	NYALA
000003	<i>Tragelaphus eurycerus</i>	BONGO
000007	<i>Tragelaphus spekii</i>	SITATUNGA
000001	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000011	<i>Rucervus duvaucelii</i>	BARASINGHA / SWAMP DEER
000003	<i>Cervus elaphus</i>	RED DEER



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000006	<i>Muntiacus muntjak</i>		INDIAN MUNTJAC	
000003	<i>Pudu pudu</i>		SOUTHERN PUDU	
000010	<i>Equus asinus africanus</i>		AFRICAN WILD ASS	
000013	<i>Equus grevyi</i>		GREVY'S ZEBRA	
000011	<i>Ammotragus lervia</i>		BARBARY SHEEP	
000016	<i>Capra nubiana</i>		NUBIAN IBEX	
000002	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>		WARTHOG	
000003	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>		RED RIVER HOG	
000018	<i>Bos javanicus</i>		BANTENG	
000016	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>		NILGAI	
000023	<i>Syncerus caffer</i>		AFRICAN BUFFALO / CAPE BUFFALO	
000001	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>		SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO	
000013	<i>Pteropus rodricensis</i>		RODRIGUES FLYING FOX	
000002	<i>Arctictis binturong</i>		BINTURONG	
000009	<i>Tachyglossus aculeatus</i>		SHORT-BEAKED ECHIDNA	
000009	<i>Loxodonta africana</i>		AFRICAN ELEPHANT	
000014	<i>Giraffa camelopardalis</i>		GIRAFFE	
000008	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>		SUGAR GLIDER	
000002	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>		RED KANGAROO	
000001	<i>Potos flavus</i>		KINKAJOU	
000008	<i>Okapia johnstoni</i>		OKAPI	
000021	<i>Ceratotherium simum</i>		WHITE RHINOCEROS	
000005	<i>Rhinoceros unicornis</i>		INDIAN RHINOCEROS	
000003	<i>Tamandua tetradactyla</i>		SOUTHERN TAMANDUA	
000002	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>		LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG	TENREC
000003	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>		BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY	
000021	<i>Ovis canadensis</i>		BIGHORN SHEEP	
000001	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>		CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)	
000003	<i>Lemur catta</i>		RING-TAILED LEMUR	
000009	<i>Oryx beisa</i>		EAST AFRICAN ORYX	
000012	<i>Rusa unicolor</i>		SAMBAR DEER	
000006	<i>Panolia eldii</i>		BROW-ANTLERED DEER / ELD'S DEER	
000007	<i>Equus caballus przewalskii</i>		PRZEWALSKI'S WILD HORSE	
000020	<i>Ovis aries vignei</i>		URIAL SHEEP	
000006	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>		SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS	
000003	<i>Catagonus wagneri</i>		CHACOAN PECCARY	
000004	<i>Dendrolagus matschiei</i>		MATSCHIE'S TREE KANGAROO	
000001	<i>Helogale parvula</i>		DWARF MONGOOSE	
000002	<i>Ornithorhynchus anatinus</i>		DUCK-BILLED PLATYPUS	
000001	<i>Orycteropus afer</i>		AARDVARK	
000837	<b>Total</b>			



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