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## **Inspection Report**

West Coast Game Park Inc 46914 Hwy. 101 South Bandon, OR 97411 Customer ID: 3437

Certificate: 92-C-0181

Site: 001

WEST COAST GAME PARK INC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 22-JUN-2016

## 2.40(a) **REPEAT**

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

A female 13 year old black bear "Sugar" housed with a 13 year old male black bear "Spice" was euthanized by gunshot on May 26, 2016. The licensee stated that a car had backfired in the parking lot, which is close to the bear enclosure. The car backfiring triggered a flock of peacocks to disperse and some landed in the bears enclosures. This occurrence agitated "Sugar" and she began charging the electric fence. The licensee was concerned that the bear would hurt someone and asked one of his employee s experienced with firearms to shoot the bear. The employee that shot "Sugar" fired a second shot to ensure she was dead. Unfortunately, the bullet ricocheted and ended up mortally wounding "Spice", the male black bear. An additional gunshot was fired at "Spice" to end his suffering.

The Program of Veterinary Care does not describe the use of gunshot by the licensee in cases of emergency. In the absence of guidance from the veterinarian there is a greater chance of collateral damage or undue suffering of the animals if the proper firearms, proper projectile caliber or correct anatomical site is not used. In order to provide adequate veterinary care, the licensee must consult with the veterinarian. The veterinarian must update the program of veterinary care to reflect detailed euthanasia guidance in emergency situations.

Correct Immediately

#### 2.131(c)(1)

#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

A year and a half old female tiger "Tiana" was observed being displayed to the public. The tiger was brought into an exhibit area. An attendant held the tiger by a leash attached to a choke chain. The public was behind an approximately 4 foot barrier fence. The age of this tiger, coupled with the strength of this animal renders it dangerous to the public while being restrained in this manner and with this type of barrier. There must be sufficient barriers between adult tigers and the general public and a secure method of restraining the animal in order to exhibit to the public in this manner.

**Correct Immediately** 

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## 2.131(c)(3)

#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

A 9 week old female bobcat neonate "Ruckus" was displayed to the public every 90 minutes or 4 times each day. Interactions with the public occurred during this time. In less than 10 minutes 19 people made contact with "Ruckus". Many times "Ruckus" was observed jumping away from the public. A request for the vaccination history for this bobcat showed it had one vaccination the week of the inspection. No other vaccination history was provided. The handling of this neonatal bobcat is excessive and its health is compromised as its immune system is not yet developed.

A 22 week old female black bear "Honey" was observed interacting with the public. The public would come into the holding area in groups while "Honey" was nursing on a bottle. Up to 5 people were trying to interact with the bear by petting her at one time. During a 10 minute period 38 people interacted with "Honey". This is excessive public handling. Excessive handling interferes with "Honey's" health, well-being and normal development. Additionally, a photo taken when Honey was a neonate shows 4 young children petting, feeding and handling her. The risk of the neonatal bear aspirating the formula was great while being fed by inexperienced members of the general public. In addition, the young age of the infant bear being handled by multiple people creates stress to the developing immune system.

Young, immature animals cannot be exposed to excessive public handling that interferes with their good health and well-being.

Correct: Immediately

#### 2.131(d)(1)

#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

An adult skunk and a ferret were brought out of their enclosure to interact with the general public along with neonatal foxes and opossum. The skunk and ferret were placed on top of a barrier fence beam and did not move during the interactive session. The animals did not seem aware of their surroundings and were non responsive to stimuli or touching. Both the skunk and ferret appeared to be sleeping or alternatively groggy and lethargic. These interactions take place approximately every 90 minutes or four times each day. The behavior of both the skunk and ferret during the interaction was not normal. The animals were either exhausted from prolonged contact with the public or indicative that the normal sleep cycle is being interfered with. Animals must be exhibited only under conditions that are consistent with their health and well-being.

Correct Immediately

## 2.131(d)(2)

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#### HANDLING OF ANIMALS.

Many members of the public were observed feeding, interacting, and petting the goats, fallow deer, llama, sheep and reindeer without an attendant present. Many instances of adults and children picking up baby goats and sheep was observed. Children were also observed chasing goats and deer in an effort to pick them up. At times mothers were separated from their offspring. Chasing and handling of animals without adequate supervision can cause animals to become panicked, stressed and likely to become injured. A responsible, knowledgeable and readily identifiable attendant must be present at all times during public handling.

Correct by July 8, 2016 \*\*\*Licensee stated that an employee has already been hired for this position and would begin within one week of this inspection

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<sup>\*\*\*</sup>This was a Focused Inspection on Handling of Animals at the park and on records\*\*\*

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>This inspection report closes IR#160161156340868 dated 5/16/16 that listed handling of neonatal bear and juvenile tiger under review\*\*\*

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>An exit interview was conducted with the facility representative\*\*\*\*



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## **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
3437	92-C-0181	001	WEST COAST GAME PARK INC	22-JUN-16

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000045	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000040	Dama dama	FALLOW DEER
000001	Didelphis virginiana	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000005	Equus asinus asinus	DONKEY / BURRO / ASS
000006	Lama glama	LLAMA
000001	Lynx canadensis	CANADIAN LYNX
000001	Lynx rufus	BOBCAT
000001	Mephitis mephitis	STRIPED SKUNK
000002	Muscardinus avellanarius	HAZEL DORMOUSE
000040	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	Pan troglodytes	CHIMPANZEE
000001	Panthera tigris	TIGER
000002	Rangifer tarandus	REINDEER
000003	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000002	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000152	Total	