

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

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### **Inspection Report**

The Alaska Zoo 4731 O Malley Road Anchorage, AK 99507 Customer ID: 8784

Certificate: 96-C-0025

Site: 001

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 09-JUL-2016

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#### **FACILITIES, GENERAL.**

The outdoor enclosure for the otters has a latex/rubber like coating which is coming loose in several places throughout the enclosure. There is a hole about the size of a softball next to the pool and it appears to be loose underneath the area surrounding the hole. There a places next to the wall which are loose as well. This provides the potential for the otters to enlarge these loose areas by pulling and tearing at them. This could damage the integrity of the enclosure and pool area as well as possible ingestion of loose pieces by the otters. This loose coating needs to be replaced or repaired in order to correct this problem. A regular program of maintenance needs to be in place and followed to keep all surfaces intact and in good repair.

Correct by: September/ 30 / 2016

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#### **SPACE REQUIREMENTS.**

The enclosure housing two northern flying squirrels is too small to allow the squirrels the natural ability to glide. The enclosure is large enough for normal ground movement and behavior, but not for gliding. Having the space to perform natural behaviors and movements is essential and limiting an animal's ability for normal behavioral movements can lead to stress and health problems. The squirrels need to be moved to a larger enclosure or their present enclosure enlarged to allow for at least limited gliding ability.

Correct by: August / 31 / 2016

An exit interview was conducted with facility representative at close of inspection.

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**Date:** 08-AUG-2016

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
8784	96-C-0025	001	ALASKA ZOO	09-JUL-16

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	Alces alces	MOOSE
000003	Bos grunniens	YAK
000002	Camelus bactrianus	BACTRIAN CAMEL
000002	Canis latrans	COYOTE
000005	Canis lupus	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000004	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000001	Equus asinus asinus	DONKEY / BURRO / ASS
000004	Erethizon dorsatum	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000002	Glaucomys sabrinus	NORTHERN FLYING SQUIRREL
000002	Gulo gulo	WOLVERINE
000002	Lama pacos	ALPACA
000005	Lontra canadensis	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000002	Lynx canadensis	CANADIAN LYNX
000004	Odocoileus hemionus	MULE DEER
000001	Oreamnos americanus	ROCKY MOUNTAIN GOAT
000001	Oryctolagus cuniculus	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	Ovibos moschatus	MUSKOX
000002	Ovis dalli	WHITE SHEEP
000002	Panthera tigris	TIGER
000002	Phoca vitulina	HARBOR SEAL
000003	Tarandus	CARIBOU
000001	Uncia uncia	SNOW LEOPARD
000002	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000003	Ursus arctos	BROWN BEAR
000002	Ursus maritimus	POLAR BEAR
000002	Vulpes lagopus	ARCTIC FOX
000006	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000071	Total	