



Inspection Report

Bear Path Acres Animal Educational Center Inc
34574 Smith Ferry Rd
Franklin, VA 23851

Customer ID: **32452**

Certificate: **52-C-0214**

Site: 001

BEAR PATH ACRES ANIMAL EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 20-JUL-2016

3.75(c)(1) REPEAT

HOUSING FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The wood in the back sheltered building for the Macaque has not been sealed. This enclosure cannot be adequately cleaned and sanitized on a routine basis. These areas of wood need to be sealed to facilitate husbandry cleaning for the species.

3.125(a) REPEAT

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

*** The coyote pen continues to have exposed chainlink wire on the bottom of the enclosure. Exposed wire can entrap a paw and cause injury to the animal. Housing facilities shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury. Ensure that the floor wire is adequately covered to protect the animal 's feet and limbs.

*** The cougar enclosure continues to have a wood sheltered box that is constructed of plywood. The box is not lined inside with any material to add structural strength to the sheltered area. This needs to be addressed to assure containment for the species.

***In the bear's enclosure, a metal post was noted to be bent and protruding into the animal area, posing an injury risk to the bear. Also, the bear was noted to be pacing in approximately 6 inches of water while brushing against the electric fence. The licensee stated that the fence was on, which may pose a potential electrical injury risk to the animal.

***The bear's enclosure has a gap along the base of the back side of the primary enclosure fencing approximately 6 inches tall by 18 inches wide. The gap in fencing may allow contained animals to escape and/or allow entry of unwanted animals, thereby posing a risk to the animals.

***The enclosure housing the hog Petunia has approximately 4 feet of bent, pushed up fencing along the bottom edge along the back side, which serves as both the enclosure and perimeter fence. The damaged fencing may allow contained animals to escape and/or allow entry of unwanted animals, both of which may cause harm to the

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animal.

Outdoor housing facilities shall be structurally sound and maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

3.125(c) REPEAT

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

Although progress has been made in organizing the freezer storing meat for the big cats and exotics at the facility, it needs to be addressed further. Two hooved limbs were partially wrapped in plastic, unlabeled and undated, lying directly on a wooden pallet. There are boxes and bags of unidentified meat in the freezer. There are no dates on most of the meat and no rotation schedule in use to assure food is used in a timely manner. The method of food being stored in this freezer has improved but is not yet considered professionally acceptable to assure the food is protected from deterioration and contamination.

3.127(c) REPEAT

FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

The enclosures housing the white tiger, lions, bear, pigs (3), raccoons and coatis contained mud and standing water. Algae growth was noted in standing pools of water in the bear enclosure, one pot belly pig enclosure, and the raccoon enclosure. The hyena, fox, and orange tiger enclosures were mostly dry today. The hyena's enclosure has an area of gravel at the end closest to the visitor side. However, no other enclosure has received improvements regarding ongoing drainage issues. Also, the gravel in the white tiger's enclosure has not mitigated the drainage issues. Standing water and mud that does not dissipate rapidly can lead to hoof and foot problems and other health concerns for the animals that cannot get or stay dry. Additionally, being wet for extended periods of time may be distressing to the animals and impact their well being. The facility needs to take immediate action to facilitate drainage in these enclosures for the health of the animals.

3.131(d) REPEAT

SANITATION.

There was an abundance of flies throughout the property and animal enclosures during the inspection. Heavy numbers of flies were specifically noted around the coatis' food and the carcass in the lion enclosure. The excess standing water and decomposing food material attracts flies and other pests, as does as the weed overgrowth noted in several enclosures.

Abundant rodent feces were noted along the edge of the floor of the food storage shed, indicating there is not an effective pest control program for mice in this area. Mice can carry diseases that can impact animal health.

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The facility needs to have a safe and effective program for the control of insects and rodents for the health of the animals.

Perimeter fence variance remains under review.

Exit interview conducted with facility representative, Kimberley Cohen VMO and Mary Ann McBride VMO.

Additional Inspectors

Cohen Kimberley, Veterinary Medical Officer

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Species Inspected

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32452	52-C-0214	001	BEAR PATH ACRES ANIMAL EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC	20-JUL-16

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000001	<i>Canis latrans</i>	COYOTE
000001	<i>Canis lupus</i>	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000001	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>	SPOTTED HYENA
000002	<i>Dasyprocta leporina</i>	BRAZILIAN AGOUTI
000001	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000002	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000002	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000001	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE *MALE
000001	<i>Muscardinus avellanarius</i>	HAZEL DORMOUSE
000002	<i>Nasua nasua</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN COATI
000003	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000001	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	LEOPARD
000002	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000001	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000003	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000001	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000006	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000001	<i>Ursus arctos</i>	BROWN BEAR
000003	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000039	Total	