

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

State Of Florida Dept Of ENV Protection

4150 S. Suncoast Blvd. Homasassa State Wildlife Park Homosassa, FL 34446 Customer ID: 3116

Certificate: 58-C-0412

Site: 001

HOMOSASSA SPRINGS PARK

18-JUN-2025

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 10-JUN-2025

3.125(a) Repeat

Facilities, general.

In the enclosure housing one bobcat, the channel shift door leading to the off exhibit yard is severely rusted and not in good repair. The frame for the door has areas that are almost completely rusted through, reducing the structural integrity and creating jagged edges that the animal can access.

Enclosures that are not kept in good repair can result in injury to the animal. The facility must be constructed of such material and of such strength as appropriate for the animals involved. The housing facilities shall be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury and to contain the animals.

3.127(d)

Facilities, outdoor.

The facility does not currently have an adequate perimeter fence. The otters are in an area that does not have a maintained perimeter fence. The perimeter fence containing the dangerous animals on the "Wildlife Walk" is less than 8' and measured 7'5" behind the red wolf enclosure.

An insufficient or incomplete perimeter fence can allow unwanted animals or people to enter the facility and potentially harm the animals within. An incomplete perimeter fence is also not able to act as secondary containment for the animals and can lead to escape. The perimeter fence must be constructed so that it protects the animals in the facility by restricting animals and unauthorized persons from going through it or under it and having contact with the animals in the facility, and so that it can function as a secondary containment system for the animals in the facility. It must be of sufficient height (at least eight feet high for potentially dangerous animals and six feet for other animals) to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. It must be of sufficient distance (at least three feet) from the outside of the primary enclosure to prevent physical contact between animals inside the enclosure and animals or persons outside the perimeter fence. To be corrected by July 23, 2025.

This is a continuation of the report for the routine inspection conducted on June 10-11, 2025, and contains the remaining non-compliances found during the inspection. The exit briefing for the items included on this report was conducted on June 18, 2025.

The hippopotamus incident is still under review.

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This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	Vulpes vulpes	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
000003	Lontra canadensis	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000004	Canis rufus	RED WOLF
000002	Puma concolor	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000002	Urocyon cinereoargenteus	GRAY FOX / GREY FOX
000003	Trichechus manatus	CARIBBEAN MANATEE
000001	Lynx rufus	BOBCAT
000002	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000001	Sciurus niger	EASTERN FOX SQUIRREL
000007	Odocoileus virginianus	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000002	Sciurus carolinensis	EASTERN GREY SQUIRREL
000001	Corvus ossifragus	FISH CROW
	G	BARN OWL / WESTERN BARN OWL / AMERICAN BARN OWL /
000005	Tyto alba	EASTERN BARN OWL
000001	Coragyps atratus	BLACK VULTURE / MEXICAN VULTURE
000001	Pandion haliaetus	OSPREY / SEA HAWK
000014	Phoenicopterus ruber	AMERICAN FLAMINGO
000003	Megascops asio	EASTERN SCREECH-OWL
000002	Cathartes aura	TURKEY VULTURE
000003	Haliaeetus leucocephalus	BALD EAGLE
000001	Nannopterum auritum	DOUBLE-CRESTED CORMORANT
000001	Parabuteo unicinctus	HARRIS'S HAWK
000004	Antigone canadensis	SANDHILL CRANE
000013	Platalea ajaja	ROSEATE SPOONBILL
000001	Meleagris gallopavo	WILD TURKEY
000001	Egretta thula	SNOWY EGRET
000003	Strix varia	BARRED OWL
000002	Grus americana	WHOOPING CRANE
000010	Pelecanus erythrorhynchos	AMERICAN WHITE PELICAN
000018	Pelecanus occidentalis	BROWN PELICAN
000003	Bubo virginianus	GREAT HORNED OWL
000003	Ardea herodias	GREAT BLUE HERON
000002	Nycticorax nycticorax	BLACK-CROWNED NIGHT-HERON
000001	Buteo jamaicensis	RED-TAILED HAWK
000002	Caracara plancus	CRESTED CARACARA
000001	Dryocopus pileatus	PILEATED WOODPECKER
000001	Corvus brachyrhynchos	AMERICAN CROW
000001	Mycteria americana	WOOD STORK
000001	Egretta caerulea	LITTLE BLUE HERON



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