

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Brecs Baton Rouge Zoo 3601 Thomas Rd.

Baton Rouge, LA 70807

Customer ID: 4769

> Certificate: 72-C-0179

> > Site: 001

BREC'S BATON ROUGE ZOO

Type: **ROUTINE INSPECTION**

Date: 07-JUN-2017

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FACILITIES, GENERAL.

On March 28, 2017, at 10:00 AM while shifting the black rhinos to their outdoor enclosure, the keeper on duty left a gate leading to a secondary holding area unbolted. This allowed the male black rhino to then push the gate open and walk out. A code 3 was called and work began on re securing the animal.

Standard operation of emergency procedures were followed, which involved veterinary staff, curators, and assigned emergency response team members. After roughly three minutes, the rhino was able to be lured back into his primary enclosure with food from the secondary containment area. The gate was then locked safely. The facility was able to safely secure the gate and contain the rhino without the use of chemical restraint or shooting/dart equipment.

A debriefing occurred following the incident determined the escape was due to keeper error. The keeper was counseled on the incident immediately and proper disciplinary action was taken. The gate is not in need of repair, however, it was modified to reduce the chance of another incident in the future. A restrictor will be installed to allow limited opening of the gate as well as a stop to prevent it from swinging out.

Animals may be injured or harmed when they access areas that are not maintained for their daily use. Though the rhino remained within secondary containment, had they gained outside access it could have resulted in serious animal or human injury. Housing facilities shall be structurally sound and maintained to protect and contain the animals.

Correct by: This day forward

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the general curator.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000002	Acinonyx jubatus	CHEETAH
000001	Atelerix albiventris	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000006	Ateles geoffroyi	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY
000001	Bison bison	AMERICAN BISON
000001	Bos taurus	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
800000	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000004	Capra nubiana	NUBIAN IBEX
000001	Cephalophus silvicultor	YELLOW-BACKED DUIKER
000001	Cercopithecus neglectus	DE BRAZZA'S MONKEY
000005	Cervus elaphus	RED DEER
000002	Chinchilla lanigera	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)
000002	Chrysocyon brachyurus	MANED WOLF
000003	Colobus guereza	EASTERN BLACK-AND-WHITE COLOBUS / GUEREZA
000006	Cynomys ludovicianus	BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG
000002	Diceros bicornis	BLACK RHINOCEROS
000001	Didelphis virginiana	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000001	Echinops telfairi	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC
000002	Equus asinus asinus	DONKEY / BURRO / ASS
000001	Equus grevyi	GREVY'S ZEBRA
000005	Equus quagga	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000005	Gazella thomsonii	THOMSON'S GAZELLE
000002	Giraffa camelopardalis	GIRAFFE
000002	Hexaprotodon liberiensis	PYGMY HIPPOPOTAMUS
000001	Hippotragus equinus	ROAN ANTELOPE
000003	Hippotragus niger	SABLE ANTELOPE
000002	Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris	CAPYBARA
000005	Kobus megaceros	NILE LECHWE
000004	Leontopithecus rosalia	GOLDEN LION TAMARIN
000002	Lontra canadensis	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000002	Lynx rufus	BOBCAT
000003	Macaca nigra	SULAWESI CRESTED MACAQUE
000001	Macaca silenus	LION-TAILED MACAQUE
000005	Madoqua kirkii	KIRK'S DIKDIK / KIRKS DIK-DIK
000001	Muntiacus muntjak	INDIAN MUNTJAC
000001	Mustela putorius	EUROPEAN POLECAT
000004	Odocoileus virginianus	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000004	Oryctolagus cuniculus	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000001	Osphranter rufus	RED KANGAROO
000004	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000003	Panthera onca	JAGUAR



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000001	Petaurus breviceps	SUGAR GLIDER
000002	Potamochoerus porcus	RED RIVER HOG
000028	Pteropus giganteus	INDIAN FLYING FOX
000002	Rhinoceros unicornis	INDIAN RHINOCEROS
000001	Sus scrofa	WILD BOAR
000003	Symphalangus syndactylus	SIAMANG
000002	Tapirus bairdii	BAIRD'S TAPIR
000001	Tolypeutes matacus	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000005	Tragelaphus angasii	NYALA
000004	Tragelaphus eurycerus	BONGO
000001	Tragelaphus strepsiceros	GREATER KUDU
000001	Tremarctos ornatus	SPECTACLED BEAR
000002	Varecia rubra	RED RUFFED LEMUR
000002	Varecia variegata	BLACK-AND-WHITE RUFFED LEMUR
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