

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Montgomery Zoo
P.O. Box 3313

Montgomery, AL 36109

Customer ID: 3025

Certificate: 64-C-0003

Site: 001

Montgomery Zoo

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 18-JAN-2024

3.150(a) Critical

Facilities, general.

Primary enclosure failed to protect a bird from injury.

***Per the medical record, on November 28th, 2023 a 4 year old male Barred owl was located on the ground with his leg caught up under the barrier between his mew and the mew of his neighbor, a 7 year old male Red-tailed hawk. The Red-tailed hawk had a hold of the Barred owl's right leg. The Barred owl was removed from the primary enclosure and transferred to the veterinary clinic where he received medical attention. The right leg contained an extensive degloving injury that lead to the election of humane euthanasia. Birds that are housed in enclosures in disrepair may suffer from stress, injury, or death. Correct by 1/19/2024 by ensuring that bird enclosures are maintained in good repair, protect the birds from injury, contain the birds, and restrict other animals from entering which may negatively affect the welfare of the birds within. Corrected at the time of inspection.

3.75(c)(3) Critical

Housing facilities, general.

Per medical record, one female black-capped squired monkey was found deceased on May 22nd, 2023 and another on May 26th, 2023. On both of the necropsy reports, it indicates that the findings are consistent with acute systemic toxoplasmosis. In the report it also indicates that this disease is most likely associated with environmental contamination. When housing facilities are contaminated and not properly cleaned and sanitized, animals housed within can become sick and potentially die. Correct by 1/19/2024 by ensuring that these facilities are cleaned and sanitized in a manor that prevents the potential for disease hazards.

3.126(a)

Facilities, indoor.

During the inspection, a night house that allows indoor access to two female river otters was found to have insufficient heating or cooling. When indoor facilities do not have the ability to regulate proper heating or cooling, it cannot protect animals from extreme temperatures and can cause illness and death. Correct by 1/19/2024 by ensuring that the ambient temperatures shall not be allowed to fall below nor rise above temperatures compatible with the health or comfort of the animal.

Prepared By: BRITTANY KESSLER

USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

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Employees.

Multiple enclosures located throughout the entire property contained a moderate amount of clutter, trash, and debris. When asked about the findings, staff members explained that it was due to them been short staffed. When there is not a sufficient number of adequately trained employees, animal welfare can be negatively impacted. Correct by 2/2/2024 by obtaining an adequate number of adequately trained employees that can maintain a professional acceptable level of husbandry practices set forth in this subpart.

3.133 Critical

Separation.

At the time of inspection, a male pygmy hippo was observed demonstrating a hindlimb lameness. When the caretaker was asked about his condition, she explained that they had observed aggression from the potentially pregnant female hippo housed in the same primary enclosure. This display of aggression was not a new finding and the hippos were not separated. Animals housed in the same primary enclosure must be compatible or can result in injury, stress, and death. Correct by 1/19/2024 by ensuring that animals are housed with animals that do not interfere with their health or cause them discomfort.

3.167(b) Critical

Handling

Per the assistant care taker manager, on June 19th, 2023 a flighted 20 year old female Grey Parrot was being transported across the services parking lot from the vet clinic clutched to her chest without transport container. The bird escaped the care takers hands and flew off zoo grounds and into a near by tree. Attempts were made to encourage the bird down out of the tree, but she flew back across the boulevard where visualizations were lost and the bird was not recovered. Animals that are not handled in a manor that keeps them contained can lead to escapes, physical harm and undue stress. Correct by 1/19/2024 by ensuring that animals are handlined in a manor that prevents an escape.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with a facility representative.			
Additional Inspectors:			
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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000003	Petaurus breviceps	SUGAR GLIDER
000001	Dolichotis patagonum	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000006	Tragelaphus eurycerus	BONGO
000001	Bettongia penicillata	BRUSH-TAILED RAT-KANGAROO
000003	Loxodonta africana	AFRICAN ELEPHANT
000002	Myrmecophaga tridactyla	GIANT ANTEATER
000001	Choloepus didactylus	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	Giraffa camelopardalis	GIRAFFE
000004	Tragelaphus strepsiceros	GREATER KUDU
000001	Choloepus hoffmanni	HOFFMANN'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	Callithrix jacchus	COMMON MARMOSET
000005	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000000	Saimiri boliviensis	BLACK-CAPPED SQUIRREL MONKEY
000002	Panthera tigris	TIGER
000002	Symphalangus syndactylus	SIAMANG
000003	Equus quagga	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000003	Pan troglodytes	CHIMPANZEE
000005	Hexaprotodon liberiensis	PYGMY HIPPOPOTAMUS
000001	Chinchilla lanigera	CHINCHILLA
000001	Leptailurus serval	SERVAL
000001	Potos flavus	KINKAJOU
000011	Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris	CAPYBARA
000001	Leopardus pardalis	OCELOT
000001	Canis lupus	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000001	Cervus canadensis	ELK / WAPITI
000003	Acinonyx jubatus	CHEETAH
000003	Lynx canadensis	CANADIAN LYNX
000002	Panthera onca	JAGUAR
000001	Potamochoerus porcus	RED RIVER HOG
000003	Puma concolor	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000002	Neofelis nebulosa	CLOUDED LEOPARD
000002	Chrysocyon brachyurus	MANED WOLF
800000	Odocoileus virginianus	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000002	Panthera leo	LION
000002	Lontra canadensis	NORTH AMERICAN RIVER OTTER
000001	Rhinoceros unicornis	INDIAN RHINOCEROS
000001	Uncia uncia	SNOW LEOPARD
000001	Ursus americanus	NORTH AMERICAN BLACK BEAR
000002	Arctictis binturong	BINTURONG
000001	Damaliscus pygargus	BONTEBOK / BLESBOK
000003	Bison bison	AMERICAN BISON
000003	Kobus megaceros	NILE LECHWE
000003	Cephalophus monticola	BLUE DUIKER
000012	Lemur catta	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000002	Struthio camelus	COMMON OSTRICH
000001	Anodorhynchus hyacinthinus	HYACINTH MACAW
000002	Numida meleagris	DOMESTIC GUINEAFOWL / HELMETED GUINEAFOWL /
	· ·	PEARL HEN
000001	Meleagris gallopavo	WILD TURKEY
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000001	Chrysolophus pictus		GOLDEN PHEASANT	
000001	Dacelo leachii		BLUE-WINGED KOOKABURRA	
000003	Pavo cristatus		INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PE	AHEN /
000003	Pavo Cristatus		PEACOCK	
000002	Chauna torquata		SOUTHERN SCREAMER / CRESTED SCREAM	ИER
000001	Buteo jamaicensis		RED-TAILED HAWK	
000002	Anser cygnoides		SWAN GOOSE	
000003	Aix sponsa		WOOD DUCK / CAROLINA DUCK	
000002	Vultur gryphus		ANDEAN CONDOR	
000001	Columba guinea		SPECKLED PIGEON	
000000	Psittacus erithacus		CONGO AFRICAN GREY PARROT / GRAY PA	RROT
000002	Ardeotis kori		KORI BUSTARD	
000002	Haliaeetus leucoceph	iaius	BALD EAGLE	JED CDANE /
000002	Balearica regulorum		GRAY CROWNED-CRANE / AFRICAN CROWN GOLDEN CROWNED-CRANE	NED-CRANE /
000002	Leptoptilos crumenife	r	MARABOU STORK	
	Leptopulos cramenile	1	BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKE	ET / QHELL
000164	Melopsittacus undula	tus	PARAKEET	LT / STILLL
000002	Ciconia abdimii		ABDIM'S STORK	
000011	Eudocimus ruber		SCARLET IBIS	
000001	Amazona albifrons		WHITE-FRONTED PARROT / WHITE-FRONTE	D PARROT /
000001			WHITE-FRONTED AMAZON	
000007	Threskiornis aethiopid	cus	AFRICAN SACRED IBIS	
000002	Scopus umbretta		HAMERKOP	
000001	Cathartes aura		TURKEY VULTURE	
000001	Ara chloropterus		RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED	MACAW
000002	Ara militaris		MILITARY MACAW	N D MA C ANA/
000005	Ara ararauna		BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GC	ILD MACAW
000002 000034	Crax rubra		GREAT CURASSOW AMERICAN FLAMINGO	
000034	Phoenicopterus rubei		EGYPTIAN GOOSE	
000002	Alopochen aegyptiaca Coracias cyanogaste		BLUE-BELLIED ROLLER	
000004	Callonetta leucophrys		RINGED TEAL	
000003	Musophaga rossae	•	ROSS'S TURACO	
000002	Bucorvus abyssinicus	2	ABYSSINIAN GROUND-HORNBILL	
000001	Bubulcus ibis	•	CATTLE EGRET	
000000	Strix varia		BARRED OWL	
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