



## 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: 11-FEB-2015

### 2.40(b)(2)

#### ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

A single sheep has excessive matting. The matting is prevalent along both sides and the entire back of its body. Excessive matting can cause skin lesions and also become painful for animals.

Remove the matted areas of the wool to prevent discomfort and prevent potential skin lesions.

To be corrected: 3-5-15

### 3.127(b)

#### FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

There is not an appropriate shelter in the pasture containing the bison and watusi. A structure comprised of only four posts and a roof without walls is present in the pasture. Additionally, a single tree is present on the pasture. Neither the structure or the tree provide adequate protection from inclement weather for the animals.

Assure that the bison and watusi have access to an appropriate shelter that protects them from inclement weather.

To be corrected: 4-19-15

### 3.127(c)

#### FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

Five enclosures contained excessive amounts of mud and/or standing water.

The enclosure containing the white tiger had standing water around the entire perimeter. The remaining ground in the enclosure was saturated with mud. The tiger had mud coating all four of its limbs, its abdomen, and its chest.

The enclosure containing two raccoons (Bonnie and Clyde) had excessive, thick mud and areas of standing water.

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The animals must walk through the mud to gain access to their water receptacle.

The ground in the enclosure containing the two lions was completely covered in mud with several areas of standing water. Tractor tires inside of the enclosure provided the only dry areas for the animals.

The ground in the enclosure containing the orange tiger contained excessive mud with areas of standing water. The tiger must walk through the mud to gain access to its water and feeding area.

The ground of the enclosure containing the brown pig was completely covered in mud with a large area of standing water. The pig must walk through mud to gain access to its food and water receptacles.

Excessive mud and standing water inside of the animal enclosures is a potential health hazard to the animals.

Ensure every animal enclosure has appropriate provisions in place to rapidly eliminate excess water.

To be corrected: 4-19-15

### 3.127(d)

#### FACILITIES, OUTDOOR.

The southwest perimeter fence of the facility is only 4 feet in height. The fence is constructed of woven wire pasture fencing. The facility received a perimeter fence variance in 2008, but has since acquired a white tiger, bobcat, and hyena. These animals are housed behind a public barrier, but in the same vicinity of the 4 foot high perimeter fence. Animals such as tigers and hyenas must have an 8 foot high (6 foot high for bobcats) perimeter fence surrounding their enclosures. The perimeter fence must also be at least 3 feet away from their primary enclosures. Perimeter fencing is necessary to act as a secondary barrier to prevent unauthorized persons and wild animals from contacting the facility animals.

Assure all animals have the proper perimeter fencing around their enclosures.

To be corrected: 4-19-15

The licensee has indicated that she will apply for a variance.

### 3.131(d)

#### SANITATION.

There is not an effective pest control program for mice in the food shed. Excessive mouse feces were present beneath the shelf housing bags of unopened food. The facility has an audible signal that is meant to deter rodents

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in the shed, however; a facility employee indicated that the method was ineffective. There are no other provisions in place to control the mouse population.

Mice can carry and spread diseases that affect animals.

Implement and maintain a pest control program to control the mouse population in the food shed.

To be corrected: 2-26-15

The inspection was conducted with a facility employee and the CEO. A very thorough verbal exit briefing was conducted with the CEO. The inspection report was sent by email.

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## Species Inspected

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32452	52-C-0214	001	BEAR PATH ACRES ANIMAL EDUCATIONAL CENTER INC	11-FEB-15

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000001	<i>Bos taurus</i>	CATTLE / COW / OX / WATUSI
000001	<i>Canis rufus</i>	RED WOLF
000001	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>	DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG
000001	<i>Chaetophractus nationi</i>	BOLIVIAN HAIRY ARMADILLO
000001	<i>Crocuta crocuta</i>	SPOTTED HYENA
000001	<i>Erethizon dorsatum</i>	NORTH AMERICAN PORCUPINE
000002	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000002	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000001	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000001	<i>Lynx rufus</i>	BOBCAT
000001	<i>Macaca mulatta</i>	RHESUS MACAQUE *MALE
000003	<i>Muscardinus avellanarius</i>	HAZEL DORMOUSE
000002	<i>Nasua nasua</i>	SOUTH AMERICAN COATI
000002	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	EUROPEAN RABBIT
000002	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000002	<i>Panthera leo</i>	LION
000001	<i>Panthera pardus</i>	LEOPARD
000002	<i>Panthera tigris</i>	TIGER
000001	<i>Prionailurus bengalensis</i>	LEOPARD CAT
000004	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000001	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000009	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000001	<i>Ursus arctos syriacus</i>	SYRIAN BROWN BEAR
000003	<i>Vulpes vulpes</i>	RED FOX (INCLUDES SILVER FOX & CROSS FOX)
<b>000047</b>	<b>Total</b>	