



## Inspection Report

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Hope Bennett  
2754 Paradise Valley Rd  
Cleveland, GA 30528

Customer ID: **7879**

Certificate: **57-C-0300**

Site: 001

HOPE BENNETT

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 12-JAN-2026

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### **3.53(a)(1)**

#### **Primary enclosures.**

Damage to the small gauge wire added to the bottom section of three primary enclosures housing rabbits, created several sharp points protruding into each enclosure within the rabbits' reach. Sharp points such as these that extend into animal enclosures can cause injury. Primary enclosures must be constructed and maintained in good repair to protect the rabbits from injury.

Correct by: 01/22/2026.

### **3.127(d)**

#### **Facilities, outdoor.**

The following deficiencies were identified with the facility's perimeter fence at the zoo:

- At the African Crested porcupine's primary enclosure facing the guest parking lot, both the left and right corner of the six-foot perimeter fence was not three feet away from the primary enclosure. Instead, it was only 16 inches away at the right corner and the left corner was continuous with the perimeter fence.
- At the creek between the entrance to the zoo from the parking lot and the barnyard exhibition, the fence serving as the perimeter fence for all animals in the zoo, at the level of the creek closer to the barnyard exhibit, had no wire present in one area so a large gap approximately one foot wide by 2 feet tall was identified.

The lack of an adequate perimeter fence presents a safety risk to the animals within the facility in that there isn't an adequate secondary containment system to hold animals that may escape their primary enclosures or a sufficient barrier to keep animals and unauthorized persons out. The facility must ensure they maintain in good repair a continuous 8-foot-high perimeter fencing for dangerous animals and 6-foot-high fencing for non-dangerous animals (porcupines). Such fences must be at least 3 feet in distance from the primary enclosure for animals housed outdoors.

Correct by: 02/28/2026.

### **3.153(a)(1)(ii)**

#### **Primary enclosures.**

In the aviary housing budgies and golden pheasants, a live electrical cord was unprotected and accessible to the birds. The unprotected electrical cord for a heater inside the large shelter box was secured from the top of the box to the fencing located behind it, spanning a distance of approximately 3 feet, eventually coming out to the side of the wire enclosure. Electrical cords pose a significant health risk to animals that may peck or perch on them. Primary enclosures must be

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constructed and maintained so that they protect the birds from injury.  
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### 3.153(c)

#### Primary enclosures.

Three geese, housed outdoors within the drive-thru, did not have an adequately sized pool or other aquatic area provided that allows each bird to conduct normal waterfowl behaviors, such as swimming, submarining, and/or foraging. Instead, they have access to one area for water (an oval livestock tub) that was approximately 4 feet long by 2 1/2 feet wide and 12 inches tall. Additionally, there was only about 6 to 8 inches of water provided within it which was not deep enough for the geese to swim or to submarine. Failure to provide a pool or other aquatic area of sufficient surface area and depth, for all aquatic birds in the enclosure to be able to express natural behaviors, can lead to increased stress and a decline in physical condition. Primary enclosures housing wading and/or aquatic birds must contain a pool or other aquatic area and a dry area that allows easy ingress or egress of the pool or other aquatic area. Pools and other aquatic areas must be of sufficient surface area and depth to allow each bird to make normal postural and social adjustments, such as immersion, bathing, swimming and foraging.

Correct by: 02/15/2026.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the licensee.

Additional Inspectors:

STEPHANIE MAYARD, VETERINARY MEDICAL OFFICER

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Cebus capucinus</i>	WHITE-HEADED / WHITE-THROATED CAPUCHIN
000001	<i>Cebus olivaceus</i>	WEEPER CAPUCHIN
000003	<i>Varecia variegata</i>	BLACK-AND-WHITE RUFFED LEMUR
000033	<i>Capra hircus</i>	DOMESTIC GOAT
000015	<i>Sus scrofa domestica</i>	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000033	<i>Ovis aries aries</i>	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000006	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	DOMESTIC RABBIT / EUROPEAN RABBIT
000004	<i>Otocyon megalotis</i>	BAT-EARED FOX
000002	<i>Caracal caracal</i>	CARACAL
000003	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000001	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	CANADIAN LYNX
000001	<i>Castor canadensis</i>	AMERICAN BEAVER
000015	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>	CAPYBARA
000005	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000006	<i>Cuniculus paca</i>	LOWLAND PACA
000004	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000002	<i>Marmota monax</i>	GROUNDHOG / WOODCHUCK
000001	<i>Sciurus carolinensis</i>	EASTERN GREY SQUIRREL
000001	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>	BRINDLED WILDEBEEST
000003	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000009	<i>Dama dama</i>	FALLOW DEER
000009	<i>Muntiacus reevesi</i>	REEVE'S MUNTJAC
000002	<i>Odocoileus virginianus</i>	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000004	<i>Equus quagga</i>	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000001	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>	WARTHOG
000007	<i>Boselaphus tragocamelus</i>	NILGAI
000005	<i>Bubalus bubalis</i>	ASIATIC WATER BUFFALO
000003	<i>Bison bison</i>	AMERICAN BISON
000009	<i>Lama glama</i>	LLAMA
000009	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000018	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	EGYPTIAN FRUIT BAT
000002	<i>Arctictis binturong</i>	BINTURONG
000004	<i>Petaurus breviceps</i>	SUGAR GLIDER
000001	<i>Potos flavus</i>	KINKAJOU
000003	<i>Pecari tajacu</i>	COLLARED PECCARY
000002	<i>Procyon lotor</i>	RACCOON
000002	<i>Tamandua tetradactyla</i>	SOUTHERN TAMANDUA
000005	<i>Wallabia bicolor</i>	SWAMP WALLABY
000005	<i>Bos indicus</i>	ZEBU
000002	<i>Varecia rubra</i>	RED RUFFED LEMUR
000006	<i>Chinchilla lanigera</i>	CHINCHILLA (DOMESTICATED)
000005	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000003	<i>Lemur catta</i>	RING-TAILED LEMUR
000006	<i>Vulpes zerda</i>	FENNEC FOX
000009	<i>Aonyx cinereus</i>	ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER
000007	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000002	<i>Taxidea taxus</i>	AMERICAN BADGER
000011	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000001	<i>Ateles geoffroyi</i>	BLACK-HANDED SPIDER MONKEY



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000001	<i>Bassariscus astutus</i>		RINGTAIL	
000005	<i>Canis lupus</i>		GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF	
000003	<i>Cynomys ludovicianus</i>		BLACK-TAILED PRAIRIE DOG	
000001	<i>Hylobates lar</i>		LAR GIBBON	
000006	<i>Mellivora capensis</i>		RATEL / HONEY BADGER	
000003	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>		RED RIVER HOG	
000001	<i>Sphiggurus mexicanus</i>		MEXICAN PORCUPINE	
000006	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>		BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY	
000011	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>		RED KANGAROO	
000003	<i>Nasuella olivacea</i>		MOUNTAIN COATI	
000010	<i>Tragelaphus angasii</i>		NYALA	
000002	<i>Otolemur crassicaudatus</i>		GREATER BUSHBABY	
000001	<i>Bos grunniens</i>		YAK	
000010	<i>Bos taurus</i>		CATTLE / COW / OX	
000007	<i>Caluromys derbianus</i>		CENTRAL AMERICAN WOOLLY OPOSSUM	
000001	<i>Eulemur fulvus</i>		BROWN LEMUR	
000004	<i>Cavia porcellus</i>		DOMESTIC GUINEA PIG	
000001	<i>Ramphastos sulfuratus</i>		KEEL-BILLED TOUCAN	
000001	<i>Aix galericulata</i>		MANDARIN DUCK	
000001	<i>Bycanistes bucinator</i>		TRUMPETER HORNBILL	
000001	<i>Amazona oratrix</i>		YELLOW-HEADED PARROT / YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON / DOUBLE YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON	
000002	<i>Crax rubra</i>		GREAT CURASSOW	
000003	<i>Anser anser domesticus</i>		DOMESTIC GOOSE	
000010	<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>		DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)	
000001	<i>Ara militaris</i>		MILITARY MACAW	
000002	<i>Ara ararauna</i>		BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW	
000001	<i>Cariama cristata</i>		RED-LEGGED SERIEMA	
000001	<i>Ara, Anodorhynchus, Primolius, Diopsittaca spp hybrid</i>		MACAW HYBRID	
000002	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>		GRAY CROWNED-CRANE / AFRICAN CROWNED-CRANE / GOLDEN CROWNED-CRANE	
000003	<i>Eclectus roratus</i>		ECLECTUS PARROT	
000002	<i>Tockus deckeni</i>		VON DER DECKEN'S HORNBILL	
000002	<i>Bubo bubo</i>		EURASIAN EAGLE-OWL	
000003	<i>Bucorvus leadbeateri</i>		SOUTHERN GROUND-HORNBILL	
000001	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>		RED-TAILED HAWK	
000001	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>		LAUGHING KOOKABURRA	
000001	<i>Buteo augur</i>		AUGUR BUZZARD	
000001	<i>Cacatua haematuropygia</i>		PHILIPPINE COCKATOO / RED-VENTED COCKATOO	
000002	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		COMMON BUZZARD	
000001	<i>Cacatua alba</i>		WHITE COCKATOO / UMBRELLA COCKATOO	
000004	<i>Turnix nigricollis</i>		MADAGASCAR BUTTONQUAIL	
000005	<i>Phoeniconaias minor</i>		LESSER FLAMINGO	
000003	<i>Chauna torquata</i>		SOUTHERN SCREAMER / CRESTED SCREAMER	
000002	<i>Cathartes burrovianus</i>		LESSER YELLOW-HEADED VULTURE / SAVANNAH VULTURE	
000010	<i>Chrysolophus pictus</i>		GOLDEN PHEASANT	
000002	<i>Pulsatrix perspicillata</i>		SPECTACLED OWL	
000001	<i>Corvus albus</i>		PIED CROW	
000010	<i>Spheniscus demersus</i>		AFRICAN PENGUIN / CAPE PENGUIN	



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000004	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>		EMU	
000002	<i>Struthio camelus</i>		COMMON OSTRICH	
000016	<i>Melopsittacus undulatus</i>		BUDGERIGAR / BUDGIE / COMMON PARAKEET / SHELL PARAKEET	
000008	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>		INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PEAHEN / PEACOCK	
000002	<i>Canis lupus hallstromi</i>		NEW GUINEA SINGING DOG	
000001	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>		COMMON ELAND	
000001	<i>Chaetophractus vellerosus</i>		SCREAMING ARMADILLO	
000004	<i>Mustela putorius furo</i>		DOMESTIC FERRET	
000488	<b>Total</b>			