

# United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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## **Inspection Report**

Zoological Subdistrict of the Metropolitan Zoological Park and Museum Customer ID: 4296

District Certificate: 43-C-0032

1 Government Drive Site: 001

Saint Louis, MO 63110 St. Louis Zoo

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION

Date: 14-APR-2025

### 3.150(a) Critical

#### Facilities, general.

On the morning of April 3rd, 2025, an adult Bar-headed goose (#119548) was found injured in her housing area by a zoo employee. Medical records and discussions with facility personnel, to include one of their veterinarians, indicate the wounds sustained by the goose are consistent with those from a predator. On April 4th a mink was discovered on the zoo grounds, the mink was captured the following day. Since the incident, additional security measures have been implemented to protect the geese housed in this area. The injured goose was receiving medical care and recovering from its injuries at time of the inspection.

Failure to maintain the bird enclosures in a manner which adequately protects all the facility's birds such as ensuring enclosures are predator proof may lead to potential injury, harm, or death.

Housing facilities for birds must be kept in good repair, protect the birds from injury, and restrict other animals from entering that may negatively affect their welfare.

Correct from this day, 04/16/25, forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

Prepared By: HARVEY KENT Date:

Title: VETERINARY MEDICAL

**OFFICER** 

Received by Title: Facility Representative Date:

16-APR-2025

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# **Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
4296	43-C-0032	001	St. Louis Zoo	14-APR-2025

Count Scientific Name Common Name

000001 Anser indicus BAR-HEADED GOOSE

000001 **Total**