

United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

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Inspection Report

Fossil Rim Wildlife Center Inc.

2155 County Road 2008 Glen Rose, TX 76043 Customer ID: 7981

Certificate: 74-C-0435

Site: 001

Fossil Rim Wildlife Center Inc.

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION

Date: 10-JUN-2024

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Handling of animals.

***On or about June 1, 2024, there was public observation of an adult female and a toddler in the back of a pickup in the drive through portion of the park. While stopping in the giraffe portion of the park, a giraffe lowered its head into the bed of the pickup to get food from the toddler. As the giraffe lifted its head, the toddler was lifted up out of the pickup approximately 2-3' and then dropped as the adult female caught the toddler.

According to the facility representative, he believes that the giraffe had hold of the bag of food as did the toddler. He believes that the toddler let go of the food container as soon as she started to rise.

Failure to provide sufficient distance or barriers between animals and the public increases the risk of injury to both the animals and the public.

The licensee must ensure that there is sufficient distance or barriers in place to assure the safety of animals and the public as required.

The facility had changed the policy at the time of inspection to no longer allow riding in the back of pickups in the park. This must remain corrected from June 11, 2024, forward.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with the facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000007	Gallus gallus domesticus	DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)
800000	Capra hircus	DOMESTIC GOAT
000002	Sus scrofa domestica	DOMESTIC PIG / POTBELLY PIG / MICRO PIG
000004	Canis lupus	GRAY WOLF / GREY WOLF / TIMBER WOLF
000006	Canis rufus	RED WOLF
000002	Chrysocyon brachyurus	MANED WOLF
000028	Acinonyx jubatus	CHEETAH
000006	Felis nigripes	BLACK-FOOTED CAT
000057	Addax nasomaculatus	ADDAX
000068	Antilope cervicapra	BLACKBUCK
000048	Connochaetes gnou	BLACK WILDEBEEST
000001	Damaliscus pygargus	BONTEBOK / BLESBOK
000021	Nanger dama	ADDRA GAZELLE
000029	Hippotragus equinus	ROAN ANTELOPE
000039	Hippotragus niger	SABLE ANTELOPE
000029	Kobus ellipsiprymnus	COMMON WATERBUCK
000054	Oryx dammah	SCIMITAR-HORNED ORYX
000031	Oryx gazella	GEMSBOK
000009	Oryx leucoryx	ARABIAN ORYX
000012	Tragelaphus eurycerus	BONGO
000013	Tragelaphus strepsiceros	GREATER KUDU
000007	Axis axis	AXIS DEER / SPOTTED DEER / CHITAL
000031	Cervus elaphus	RED DEER
000460	Dama dama	FALLOW DEER
000055	Odocoileus virginianus	WHITE-TAILED DEER
000006	Equus grevyi	GREVY'S ZEBRA
800000	Equus zebra	MOUNTAIN ZEBRA / HARTMANN'S ZEBRA
000018	Ammotragus Iervia	BARBARY SHEEP
000011	Giraffa camelopardalis	GIRAFFE
000007	Ceratotherium simum	WHITE RHINOCEROS
000004	Diceros bicornis	BLACK RHINOCEROS
000002	Equus caballus przewalskii	PRZEWALSKI'S WILD HORSE
000004	Kobus megaceros	NILE LECHWE
000001	Ovis aries aries	SHEEP INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS
000324	Tympanuchus cupido	GREATER PRAIRIE-CHICKEN
000001	Ara ararauna	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000006	Dromaius novaehollandiae	EMU
000003	Struthio camelus	COMMON OSTRICH
000002	Grus japonensis	RED-CROWNED CRANE / JAPANESE CRANE
000004	Bugeranus carunculatus	WATTLED CRANE



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