



## Inspection Report

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Dallas Zoo Management  
650 South RL Thornton Fwy  
Dallas, TX 75203

Customer ID: **322392**  
Certificate: **74-C-0859**  
Site: 001  
Dallas Zoo Management

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION  
Date: 06-SEP-2024

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### 3.125(a) Critical

#### Facilities, general.

On the morning of September 3, 2024, three Speke's gazelle (one male and two females) were found dead in their outdoor enclosure. Each gazelle had signs of predator induced trauma, and two of them had been partially consumed. Inspection of the enclosure by staff revealed an area of the enclosure fence that had been damaged, large enough for a predator to enter. Necropsy results indicated the cause of death for each gazelle was predation by an unknown animal. Facility representatives stated the predator likely had been a wild coyote, based on necropsy findings and neighborhood coyote sightings. At the time of the inspection, there were no weaknesses identified in the perimeter fence to indicate where and how the predator could have entered the facility grounds.

Enclosures with structural weakness increase the risk of animal escape or entry of unwanted predators that can harm the animals. All facilities must be structurally sound and must be maintained in good repair to protect the animals from injury, including restricting other animals from entering that may cause harm, and to properly contain them. This was corrected by the time of the inspection, and must remain corrected from this day, September 6, 2024, forward.

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

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**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
322392	74-C-0859	001	Dallas Zoo Management	06-SEP-2024

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
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