



Inspection Report

Barn Hill Preserve Inc
11342 Hwy 955 E
Ethel, LA 70730

Customer ID: **329414**
Certificate: **72-C-0238**
Site: 001

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Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: 30-OCT-2023

2.40(b)(2) Critical Repeat

Attending veterinarian and adequate veterinary care (dealers and exhibitors).

According to necropsy results from Louisiana State University, an adult female Sand Cat, Asha, died of severe anemia (blood loss) caused by flea infestation. The necropsy report documented numerous live fleas with abundant flea dirt (flea feces). The animal was also noted to have parasites in the ears (ear mites). The previous attending veterinarian prescribed a topical flea control medication. The facility was unable to consistently apply this medication because of the uncooperative nature of the sand cats. The current Program of Veterinary Care states "Appropriate ectoparasite control as needed for control of ectoparasites and as determined by the attending veterinarian". According to the attending and consulting veterinarians, they were considering changing from a topical flea control to an oral flea control, but that change had not been instituted at the time of Asha's death.

Animals with severe flea infestation may suffer from stress, discomfort, itching, hair loss, blood loss, and death. The facility failed to provide adequate flea control for this animal resulting in her death.

The facility needs to ensure that appropriate methods to prevent, control, diagnose, and treat diseases and injuries are implemented and followed.

2.131(c)(1) Repeat

Handling of animals.

According to the facility Director and correspondence from a state public health official, on October 21st, 2023, an adult male striped hyena ("Mowgli") bit the hand of a teenage visitor causing injuries that broke the skin. At the time of the bite, the visitor was standing in an area near the back of the animal's enclosure which should not be accessible by the public. In this area, the hyena enclosure is made of wire fencing with approximately 4 inch by 4 inch-sized openings. The visitor reached through the wire fence and his hand/arm was bitten by the male hyena. No facility staff members were in the immediate area at the time of the bite. According to the facility Director, the visitor was able to enter this area at the back of the hyena enclosure by walking on a pathway through some bamboo. This pathway was blocked by a single strand of yellow caution tape. No fences or gates were present.

Insufficient distance and/or barriers between animals and the public may result in unauthorized contact between animals and members of the public. This contact can result in stress, disease transmission, injuries or even death to animals

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and/or visitors.

Animals must be handled so there is minimal risk of harm to the animals and to the public, with sufficient distance and/or barriers between the animals and the general viewing public as to assure the safety of animals and the public.

The non-compliance was corrected prior to the inspection on Oct 30, 2023.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representatives.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000005	<i>Hydrochaeris hydrochaeris</i>	CAPYBARA
000003	<i>Lophochroa leadbeateri</i>	PINK COCKATOO / LEADBEATER'S COCKATOO / MAJOR MITCHELL'S COCKATOO
000002	<i>Lynx lynx</i>	NORTHERN/EURASIAN LYNX
000004	<i>Pulsatrix perspicillata</i>	SPECTACLED OWL
000001	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>	RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED MACAW
000003	<i>Amazona oratrix</i>	YELLOW-HEADED PARROT / YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON / DOUBLE YELLOW-HEADED AMAZON
000002	<i>Ara militaris</i>	MILITARY MACAW
000007	<i>Aonyx cinereus</i>	ORIENTAL SMALL-CLAWED OTTER
000001	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	LAUGHING KOOKABURRA
000002	<i>Taurotragus oryx</i>	COMMON ELAND
000008	<i>Ara ararauna</i>	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000002	<i>Ara macao</i>	SCARLET MACAW
000008	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	EMU
000001	<i>Polyplectron napoleonis</i>	PALAWAN PEACOCK-PHEASANT
000002	<i>Arctictis binturong</i>	BINTURONG
000001	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PEAHEN / PEACOCK
000001	<i>Casuarus casuaris</i>	SOUTHERN CASSOWARY / DOUBLE-WATTLED CASSOWARY
000001	<i>Leopardus geoffroyi</i>	GEOFFROY'S CAT
000002	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	MALLARD
000001	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000003	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC
000008	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>	RED KANGAROO
000001	<i>Tapirus bairdii</i>	BAIRD'S TAPIR
000002	<i>Cairina moschata</i>	MUSCOVY DUCK
000001	<i>Cariama cristata</i>	RED-LEGGED SERIEMA
000002	<i>Hystrix indica</i>	INDIAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000007	<i>Trichoglossus moluccanus</i>	RAINBOW LORIKEET
000001	<i>Potamochoerus porcus</i>	RED RIVER HOG
000004	<i>Bos primigenius indicus</i>	ZEBU
000002	<i>Hyaena hyaena</i>	STRIPED HYENA
000001	<i>Bubo bubo</i>	EURASIAN EAGLE-OWL
000001	<i>Felis margarita</i>	SAND CAT
000003	<i>Leptailurus serval</i>	SERVAL
000002	<i>Porphyrio porphyrio</i>	WESTERN SWAMPHEN
000006	<i>Connochaetes taurinus</i>	BRINDLED WILDBEEST
000005	<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)
000001	<i>Ara glaucogularis</i>	BLUE-THROATED MACAW
000002	<i>Spheniscus demersus</i>	AFRICAN PENGUIN / CAPE PENGUIN
000002	<i>Balearica regulorum</i>	GRAY CROWNED-CRANE / AFRICAN CROWNED-CRANE / GOLDEN CROWNED-CRANE
000002	<i>Camelus dromedarius</i>	DROMEDARY CAMEL
000005	<i>Equus quagga</i>	BURCHELL'S / GRANT'S / CHAPMAN'S / PLAINS ZEBRA
000006	<i>Tolypeutes tricinctus</i>	BRAZILIAN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000001	<i>Pionites melanocephalus</i>	BLACK-HEADED PARROT
000001	<i>Caluromys philander</i>	BARE-TAILED WOOLLY OPOSSUM



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000004	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>		LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH	
000017	<i>Capra hircus</i>		DOMESTIC GOAT	
000018	<i>Rhea americana</i>		GREATER RHEA / AMERICAN RHEA	
000003	<i>Notamacropus rufogriseus</i>		BENNETT'S WALLABY / RED-NECKED WALLABY	
000168	Total			