



Inspection Report

The Alaska Zoo
4731 O'Malley Road
Anchorage, AK 99507

Customer ID: **8784**
Certificate: **96-C-0025**
Site: 001
The Alaska Zoo

Type: FOCUSED INSPECTION
Date: 11-OCT-2023

3.125(a) Critical

Facilities, general.

On May 26, 2022 a swing gate that provided access to a shared lock-out area between the Dall Sheep and Mountain Goat exhibits was found open and the animals co-mingled in the Sheep enclosure. Lauren, the adult female Dall Sheep, was found with a laceration behind the right mandible that was assessed to most likely have been caused by a mountain goat horn. Veterinary treatment was provided to Lauren by the Attending Veterinarian. Lauren was found dead the morning of May 28, 2022 due to injuries and stress of the incident.

All enclosures must be constructed to contain the animals and to prevent injury or harm to the animals. Corrected prior to the time of inspection. Immediately after the incident, double padlocks were used on the gate and two personnel were present when gate was used until the gate was permanently welded shut to prevent reoccurrence.

This inspection and exit interview were conducted with facility representative.

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Species Inspected

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Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000001	<i>Phoca vitulina</i>	HARBOR SEAL
000003	<i>Ursus arctos</i>	BROWN BEAR
000000	<i>Ovis dalli</i>	DALL SHEEP WHITE SHEEP
000004	Total	