



Inspection Report

Summer Wind Farm Sanctuary
6490 Mowerson Rd
Brown City, MI 48416

Customer ID: **6902**
Certificate: **34-C-0227**
Site: 001
SUMMER WIND FARMS

Type: ROUTINE INSPECTION
Date: Feb-23-2016

2.40 (b) (2) **REPEAT**

ATTENDING VETERINARIAN AND ADEQUATE VETERINARY CARE (DEALERS AND EXHIBITORS).

A 25 week old tiger at the facility named Daisy is being fed KMR, goats' milk and chicken. The chicken is being dusted with an unknown vitamin supplement mixed with calcium carbonate in an unknown ratio and placed on the chicken in an unknown amount. Daisy has a dull coat lacking the normal sheen that you would expect in a healthy, actively growing tiger. There could be several causes for this dull coat appearance including: indoor housing, internal parasite infestation and poor nutrition. This tiger has never had a fecal according to the CEO and the CEO has no idea if the nutritional supplementation that he is giving her is adequate. The facility must determine what supplementation is being given to the tiger and what amount. The attending veterinarian should be consulted to determine if this is adequate and fecal testing should be done if the attending veterinarian determines that this is indicated. Records of this consultation should be made and should be available for APHIS review. This should be completed by 3-3-16.

3.125 (c) **REPEAT**

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

The meat cooler had an overwhelming odor of rotten and decaying meat. This stench was noticeable from the alleyway 20 to 30 feet away from the cooler. This odor makes it very hard to determine if the meat items stored in this cooler are fit for animal consumption. Clean the cooler, identify the source of the odor and eliminate it.

3.125 (d) **REPEAT**

FACILITIES, GENERAL.

A wheel barrow full of fecal material was located in an alleyway next to the alpaca enclosures. Food and fecal waste needs to be removed promptly in order to minimize odors, vermin infestation and disease hazards. Remove this and all other waste materials in a prompt manner.

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SPACE REQUIREMENTS.

A 25 week old tiger is currently being housed in the basement of the residence located on the property. The enclosure this tiger is housed in is too small for a six month old juvenile tiger. Tigers at this age are active. They require space for exercise and play to promote proper development of bones, joints and muscles. This tiger needs to be in a larger enclosure.

Correct by: 3-17-16.

3.131 (c)

REPEAT

SANITATION.

The majority of the premises are filled with various debris, old equipment, boards, trash, buckets, tires and fence. Several other buildings on the property are also filled with old equipment and debris and trash. Tall weeds are located throughout the facility. These areas provide ample hiding areas for rodents and other pests and numerous rodent holes were located throughout the facility. A mouse nest with live mice was noted on a shelf in the warm room. All this material must be removed to help control pests.

The sink in the butcher area is dirty and contained blood and tissue covered utensils and cleaning supplies. The band saw in the butcher area is covered with blood and needs to be cleaned. The floor and wall next to the meat cooler is covered in blood and animal tissue. These things need to be cleaned in order to ensure that processed meat does not become contaminated. Contaminated meat fed to the animals can make them ill and lead to unnecessary suffering.

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SANITATION.

Numerous rodent holes were located throughout the facility. Rodent holes were located outside the Syrian brown bear enclosure. Rodent holes were located next to the Asian black bear's food box. Rodent holes were located in the alleyway for the leopard row cat enclosures and in the service area for the tigers Lenny and Squigy. Rodent holes were located next to the tiger Mohan's enclosure. A mouse nest containing live fully haired baby mice was located on a shelf in the warm room. Rodents can be carriers of disease which may be harmful to the animals housed in these areas. A more effective means of rodent control must be established for the facility.

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REPEAT

EMPLOYEES.

It is evident that due to the amount of the animal husbandry issues at the facility that there is a lack of adequately trained employees. The facility relies on volunteer workers. A lack of properly trained employees can result in facility and animal conditions that result in unnecessary animal suffering. The unnoticed mouse nest in plain site on a shelf in the warm room or the fact that staff continues to fail to clean equipment after butchering or to dispose properly of animal waste removed from enclosures are examples of conditions that could be corrected with an adequate number of properly trained workers. Animal numbers must be reduced or more properly trained workers must be added.

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An exit interview was conducted at the conclusion of the inspection with the facility CEO and APHIS personnel Kurt Hammel and Carrie Bongard. A formal exit interview was conducted with the facility CEO and Kurt Hammel on 2-25-16.

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