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CITY OF LOS ANGELES
LOS ANGELES ZOO

DATE: October 20, 2026

TO: BOARD OF ZOO COMMISSIONERS

FROM: DENISE M. VERRET, Zoo Director

SUBJECT: **LOS ANGELES ZOO ANIMAL UPDATES REPORT**

The following is a list of animal transfers that have been completed. Funds from sales will be deposited into the City's Animal Purchases and Sales account. All receiving institutions are accredited by the Association of Zoos and Aquariums (AZA) unless otherwise noted. Animal transfers support the Zoo's commitment to sustainable population management through participation in AZA Species Survival Plan (SSP) Program recommendations, animal welfare and conservation efforts. Transfers reflect loans, purchases, sales and donations and include animals that are owned by the Los Angeles Zoo, but reside in the care of other AZA-accredited or approved institutions.

OUTGOING

Donation to West Texas Wildlife Preserve in Merkel, Texas of 1.0 Addax. This transfer was an SSP approved transfer.

Donation (ownership only) to Indianapolis Zoo in Indiana of 1.1 Catalina Island rattlesnake. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation (ownership only) to St. Louis Zoological Park in Missouri of 0.1 Catalina Island rattlesnake. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation (ownership only) to Fresno Chaffee Zoo in California of 0.0.1 Gray's monitor. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation (ownership only) to St. Louis Zoological Park in Missouri of 0.0.1 Gray's monitor. This transfer eliminated an unnecessary loan.

Donation to Milwaukee County Zoo in Wisconsin of 0.0.2 Green tree python. This transfer provided Milwaukee with captive bred specimens for exhibit and reduces the Los Angeles Zoo surplus.

Donation to Oklahoma City Zoological Park in Oklahoma of 0.1 Red-flanked duiker. This was an SSP transfer and breeding recommendation.

Donation to San Diego Zoo Safari Park in Escondido, California of 1.0 Red-flanked duiker. This was an SSP transfer and breeding recommendation.

INCOMING

Loan transfer from Sedgwick County Zoo in Wichita, Kansas of 1.0 Chacoan peccary. This transfer is an SSP breeding recommendation.

Donation from Sedgwick County Zoo in Wichita, Kansas of 6.0 Plumed whistling duck. This transfer will provide the Los Angeles Zoo with new ducks for an exhibit in the aviary.

Births (9/1/26-9/30/26)
None

Deaths (9/1/26-9/30/26)

0.1	Baja ratsnake
0.0.1	Banded archerfish
0.1	Brush-tailed bettong
0.1	Caucasus viper
0.1	Crested caracara
0.0.1	Emperor spotted newt
0.2	Gila monster
0.1	Harbor seal
0.1	McCord's snake-necked turtle
1.0	Mountain tapir (ownership only)
1.0	Nigerian dwarf goat
1.1	Red piranha
0.1	Western grey kangaroo

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