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UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
BEFORE THE SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE

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In re:) AWA Dockets 11-0254 & 11-0255
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 NICK SCULAC, an individual; and)
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 BIG CATS OF SERENITY SPRINGS, INC.,)
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 a Colorado corporation, doing business as)
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 SERENITY SPRINGS WILDLIFE CENTER,)
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 Respondents.)

In re:) AWA Dockets 12-0223 & 12-0224
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 NICK SCULAC, an individual; and)
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 BIG CATS OF SERENITY SPRINGS, INC.,)
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 a Colorado corporation, doing business as)
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 SERENITY SPRINGS WILDLIFE CENTER,)
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 Respondents.)

In re:) AWA Dockets 15-0119 & 15-0120
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 NICK SCULAC, an individual; and)
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 BIG CATS OF SERENITY SPRINGS, INC.,)
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 a Colorado corporation, doing business as)
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 SERENITY SPRINGS WILDLIFE CENTER,)
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 Respondents.) CONSENT DECISION AND ORDER

These proceedings were instituted under the Animal Welfare Act, as amended (7 U.S.C. § 2131 *et seq.*) (AWA or Act), by complaints filed by the Administrator, Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service, United States Department of Agriculture (APHIS), on May 26, 2011, February 1, 2012, and May 29, 2015, respectively, alleging that the respondents willfully violated the Act and the regulations promulgated pursuant to the Act (9 C.F.R. § 1.1 *et seq.*) (Regulations). This decision is entered pursuant to the consent decision provisions of the Rules of Practice applicable to these proceedings (7 C.F.R. § 1.138).

Respondents admit the jurisdictional allegations in the complaints and specifically admit that the Secretary has jurisdiction in this matter, neither admit nor deny the remaining allegations, waive oral hearing and further procedure, and consent and agree to the entry of this decision for the purpose of settling these proceedings and resolving any other alleged violations of the Act or the Regulations, whether known or unknown, by Respondents or their agents, affiliates, servants or employees, occurring up to and including May 17, 2017. The complainant agrees to the entry of this decision.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Nick Sculac, also known as Nicholas Sculac (Sculac), is an individual whose business address was 24615 Scott Road, Calhan, Colorado 80808. At all times mentioned in the complaints, respondent Sculac was an exhibitor, as that term is defined in the Act and the Regulations, held AWA license 84-C-0069, did business as Serenity Springs Wildlife Center, and together with respondent Big Cats of Serenity Springs, Inc., operated a zoo, as that term is defined in the Regulations, exhibiting wild and exotic animals at Calhan, Colorado, and at off-site locations.

2. Respondent Big Cats of Serenity Springs, Inc. (Big Cats), is a Colorado corporation. At all times mentioned in the complaints, respondent Big Cats was an exhibitor, as that term is defined in the Act and the Regulations, did business as Serenity Springs Wildlife Center, and together with respondent Sculac, operated a zoo, as that term is defined in the Regulations.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Respondents having admitted the findings of fact set forth above, and the parties having agreed to the entry of this decision, such decision will be entered.


ORDER


1. Respondents, their agents and employees, successors and assigns, directly or through any corporate or other device, shall cease and desist from violating the Act and the Regulations and Standards.

2. AWA license number 84-C-0069 is revoked effective April 12, 2017.

The provisions of this order shall become effective immediately. Copies of this decision shall be served upon the parties.


BIG CATS OF SERENITY SPRINGS, INC.,
a Colorado corporation doing business as
SERENITY SPRINGS WILDLIFE CENTER,
Respondent

By: 
Its: *[Signature]*

By: 
Nick Sculac, Respondent


Colleen A. Carroll
Attorney for Complainant

Done at Washington, D.C.,
this 18 day of MAY, 2017


Jill S. Clifton
Administrative Law Judge