

## Christina Smith

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**From:** Xavier Edwards <xavier.e@thecreatureconservancy.org>  
**Sent:** Monday, March 23, 2026 1:17 PM  
**To:** Cindy Strader; Christina Smith  
**Subject:** Planning Commission Meeting

I am sending this email on behalf of Steve Marsh -

Dear Clerk and Chair,

Please let the Planning Commission know that neither I nor a representative will be attending this week's meeting.

As this matter is an area plan amendment, we ask that the review remain focused on information properly required at the area plan stage. It would be premature for us to prepare and fund the level of detail typically associated with preliminary or final site plan review unless and until the general area plan concept is approved.

Section 42.110 outlines the minimum required Area Plan information, and our understanding is that the Township's review at this stage should be limited to those area plan requirements, rather than materials more appropriately addressed during preliminary or final site plan review. To the extent questions go beyond that scope, we would ask that they be reserved for the later site plan phases. While Section 42.110 does reference the general layout of water supply systems, it does not appear to require the level of detailed well-related information that would normally be developed as part of later planning stages. Once the Planning Commission determines the response timeline, we will address the questions as quickly as we can however we can't commit to timelines that involve any alterations to the area plan as our CAD designer is currently out of town. If the Township needs anything further from us, please provide that request in writing.

Thank you,  
Steve



ARCHITECTS. ENGINEERS. PLANNERS.

March 23, 2026

Jan Godek, Lodi Township Supervisor  
3755 Pleasant Lake Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

RE: **Copper Leaf Crossing**  
Inspection - Zoning Compliance Permit Issued 09.28.23

Dear Supervisor Godek:

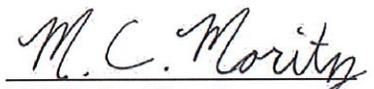
On March 20, 2026, OHM conducted a site visit at Copper Leaf Crossing. This visit was to inspect the installation of the facilities described in the Zoning Compliance Permit approved on September 28, 2023. Enclosed please find the following documentation:

1. Annotated Zoning Compliance Form (Issued 09.28.23, annotated per inspection on 03.20.26)
2. USDA Inspection Report (Inspection on 12.04.25)
3. Site Inspection Photos with Key Map (Inspection on 03.20.26)

No issues were found during this inspection. The facilities have been installed in a manner consistent with the Zoning Compliance Permit and either meet or exceed the technical specifications outlined in the approved plans.

If you have any questions, please contact us at (734) 466-4506.

Sincerely,  
OHM Advisors

  
MC Moritz, Client Representative

cc: Christina Smith, Lodi Township Clerk  
Hannah Firlit, OHM Advisors  
Marcus McNamara, OHM Advisors

File: P:\0000\_0100\SITE\_LodiTwp\2025\00482510XX\_CopperLeafCrossing\2023 Fence Documentation for 2026 Field Visit

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Annotated Zoning  
Compliance Approved  
on 09.28.23

ZONING COMPLIANCE PERMIT  
LODI TOWNSHIP

Annotated Zoning  
Compliance Approved  
on 09.28.23

ID #: m-13-14-400-025

OWNERS NAME: Copperleaf Crossing LLC

HOME ADDRESS: 4990 Ann Arbor Saline

OWNERS PHONE #:

PROPERTY ADDRESS: same

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR NAME: self

BUILDER/CONTRACTOR PHONE #:

SIZE OF PROPERTY: 23 acres

TYPE OF BUILDING: 8' chain link fence - no barbed wire

Inspected - OK

NON CONFORMING LOT, STRUCTURE OR USE: YES NO  
NON RESIDENTIAL STRUCTURE ON LESS THAN 5 ACRES: YES NO

\*AGRICULTURAL ANIMALS NOT ALLOWED ON LESS THAN 5 ACRES UNLESS APPROVED BY MICHIGAN RIGHT TO FARM ACT (RTFA)

DATE: 9/28/23

FEES COLLECTED: \$100- ck# 673

COMMENTS: one fence with privacy slats  
approved by PC.

Inspected - OK

ZONING COMPLIANCE APPROVED BY:

*[Signature]*  
9/28/23

# Copper Leaf Crossing

## Canine Enclosure

9/27/2023

Annotated Zoning  
Compliance Approved  
on 09.28.23

### Overview

This document describes the design and construction of a perimeter fence and canine enclosure to be constructed on the property of COPPER LEAF CROSSING, located in the SE 1/4 of Section 14, T3S, R5E, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan. A legal description of the property is given in Attachment 1.

The overall construction will be located at the northeast corner of the property, as indicated in Site Plan shown in Attachment 2. General details of the fence and enclosure layout are given in Attachment 3.

### Detailed Description

The property/perimeter fence will be constructed of welded wire and will be 5 feet tall. This fence will be secured with steel T-posts every 5 feet. The north side perimeter fence will be 610 linear feet, and the perimeter fence running along the east side of the construction is 439 linear feet.

The canine enclosure will consist of a double-wall barrier constructed with 9-gauge commercial weight chain link fence. The outer wall fence mesh of this enclosure will be set 3 feet from the property/perimeter fence, and the inner wall fence mesh will be set a minimum of 8.5 feet from the outer wall. Per request of the Lodi Township Planning Commission at their 8/22/2023 Special Meeting, sections of the outer wall may be fitted with privacy slats if additional safety or screening is desired and/or requested.

Inspected - OK - two layers of privacy slats along eastern side (both 8' fences have slats)

Both enclosure walls will be 8 feet tall and will have a horizontal top rail, center rail, and bottom rail. Directly beneath the bottom rail of the inner and outer barriers, there will be vertical 48-inch long, 5/8-inch thick rebar sunk into the ground every 4 inches. Posts for the inner and outer barriers will be placed every 10 feet or less. Corner posts will be 4-inch SS-40 galvanized pipe, gate posts will be 3-inch or 4-inch SS-40 galvanized pipe (as determined by the size of the gate attached to it), and in-line posts will be 2.5-in SS-40 galvanized pipe. All posts will be capped with chain link fence barb wire arms - 45 degrees and cemented into place with 4,000 psi cement at least 42 inches into the ground.

There will be a double escape-proof catch pen at every entrance/exit so that this enclosure is secured. These pens are designed so when trained and authorized personnel need to enter the inner enclosure, they can unlock the outer gate and then secure it behind them before entering the inner enclosure.

**Copper Leaf Crossing  
Canine Enclosure  
9/27/2023**

**Annotated Zoning  
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on 09.28.23**

**Compliance to USDA Regulations**

This enclosure will be inspected at least annually and approved by the USDA to ensure its compliance to appropriate regulations for housing various canine species (such as wolves, wolf hybrids, dingoes, coyotes, or arctic foxes).

USDA Documentation Provided - OK

ATTACHMENT 2 - Legal Description of the Property

Annotated Zoning  
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on 09.28.23

LEGAL DESCRIPTION OF A 23.44 ACRE PARCEL OF LAND  
LOCATED IN THE SE 1/4 OF SECTION 14, T3S, R5E,  
LODI TOWNSHIP, WASHTENAW COUNTY, MICHIGAN

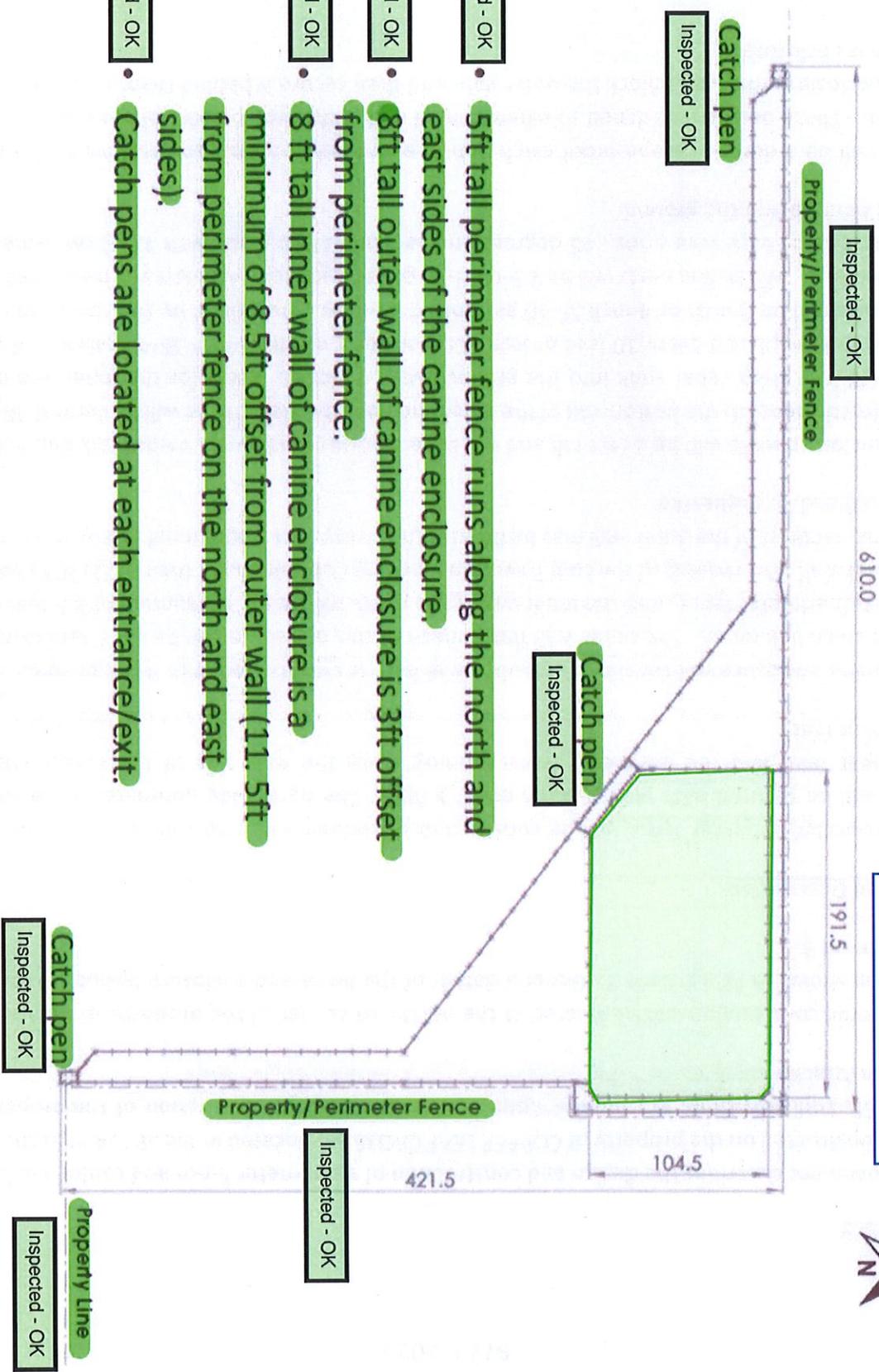
Beginning at the Southeast Corner of Section 14, T3S, R5E, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan,

thence N 89°27'20" W 264.00 feet along the South line of said Section 14 and the centerline of Pleasant Lake Road (66.00 feet wide);  
thence N 01°24'10" E 165.00 feet;  
thence N 89°27'20" W 95.06 feet;  
thence N 01°24'10" E 38.00 feet;  
thence N 89°27'20" W 132.94 feet;  
thence S 01°24'10" W 203.00 feet;  
thence N 89°27'20" W 66.00 feet along the South line of said Section 14 and the centerline of Pleasant Lake Road (66.00 feet wide);  
thence N 01°24'10" E 165.00 feet;  
thence N 89°27'20" W 204.87 feet;  
thence N 01°39'10" E 203.00 feet;  
thence N 89°27'20" W 575.75 feet;  
thence N 01°35'30" E 753.22 feet along the West line of the SE 1/4 of the SE 1/4 of said Section 14;  
thence S 89°09'50" E 908.11 feet;  
thence S 01°24'10" W 127.50 feet;  
thence N 89°09'50" W 17.44 feet;  
thence S 01°24'10" W 294.00 feet;  
thence S 89°09'50" E 444.50 feet;  
thence S 01°24'10" W 692.87 feet along the East line of said Section 14 and the centerline of Ann Arbor-Saline Road (66.00 feet wide) to the POINT OF BEGINNING, being a part of the SE 1/4 of Section 14, T3S, R5E, Lodi Township, Washtenaw County, Michigan, and containing 23.44 acres of land, more or less, being subject to the rights of the public over the Southerly 33.00 feet, as occupied by Pleasant Lake Road and the Easterly 33.00 feet, as occupied by Ann Arbor-Saline Road and subject to easements and restrictions of record, if any.

**ATTACHMENT 1 – Legal Description of the Property**



Annotated Zoning  
Compliance Approved  
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- Inspected - OK
  - Inspected - OK
- 5ft tall perimeter fence runs along the north and east sides of the canine enclosure.
  - 8ft tall outer wall of canine enclosure is 3ft offset from perimeter fence.
  - 8 ft tall inner wall of canine enclosure is a minimum of 8.5ft offset from outer wall (11.5ft from perimeter fence on the north and east sides).
  - Catch pens are located at each entrance/exit.

ATTACHMENT 3 – Perimeter Fence and Enclosure Design Layout

USDA Inspection  
Report  
12.04.25

All items found to be  
in compliance



### Inspection Report

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The Creature Conservancy  
4950 Ann Arbor Saline Road  
Ann Arbor, MI 48103

Customer ID: **43980**

Certificate: **34-C-0387**

Site: 001

The Creature Conservancy

Type: RE-LICENSE INSPECTION

Date: 04-DEC-2025

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No non-compliant items were identified during this Re-License inspection.

This is a 1st Re-License Inspection for a Class ("C") license. The inspection and exit briefing were conducted with the applicant. The applicant is ready to be licensed under the AWA.

A copy of your license will be sent to you without any additional action on your part. If you have not received your license within 30 days, please contact the USDA at 970-494-7478.

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**Prepared By:** BRYAN VOETBERG

USDA, APHIS, Animal Care

**Date:**  
09-DEC-2025

**Title:** VETERINARY MEDICAL  
OFFICER

**Received by Title:** Facility Representative

**Date:**  
09-DEC-2025



**Species Inspected**

Cust No	Cert No	Site	Site Name	Inspection
43980	34-C-0387	001	The Creature Conservancy	04-DEC-2025

Count	Scientific Name	Common Name
000009	<i>Didelphis virginiana</i>	VIRGINIA OPOSSUM
000003	<i>Muntiacus reevesi</i>	REEVE'S MUNTJAC
000002	<i>Atelerix albiventris</i>	FOUR-TOED HEDGEHOG (MOST COMMON PET HEDGEHOG)
000002	<i>Hystrix cristata</i>	AFRICAN CRESTED PORCUPINE
000001	<i>Puma concolor</i>	PUMA / MOUNTAIN LION / COUGAR
000045	<i>Rousettus aegyptiacus</i>	EGYPTIAN FRUIT BAT
000001	<i>Chaetophractus villosus</i>	LARGER HAIRY ARMADILLO
000006	<i>Tolypeutes matacus</i>	SOUTHERN THREE-BANDED ARMADILLO
000001	<i>Vulpes lagopus</i>	ARCTIC FOX
000002	<i>Echinops telfairi</i>	LESSER MADAGASCAR HEDGEHOG TENREC
000001	<i>Canis latrans</i>	COYOTE
000006	<i>Choloepus didactylus</i>	LINNAEUS'S TWO-TOED SLOTH
000001	<i>Phacochoerus africanus</i>	WARTHOG
000001	<i>Rangifer tarandus</i>	REINDEER
000004	<i>Canis lupus dingo</i>	DINGO
000001	<i>Dolichotis patagonum</i>	PATAGONIAN CAVY / MARA
000001	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	CANADIAN LYNX
000001	<i>Marmota monax</i>	GROUNDHOG / WOODCHUCK
000001	<i>Mephitis mephitis</i>	STRIPED SKUNK
000003	<i>Crossarchus obscurus</i>	KUSIMANSE
000001	<i>Osphranter rufus</i>	RED KANGAROO
000002	<i>Lama pacos</i>	ALPACA
000002	<i>Ara ararauna</i>	BLUE-AND-YELLOW MACAW / BLUE-AND-GOLD MACAW
000002	<i>Neofelis nebulosa</i>	CLOUDED LEOPARD
000001	<i>Buteo jamaicensis</i>	RED-TAILED HAWK
000003	<i>Cathartes aura</i>	TURKEY VULTURE
000002	<i>Coragyps atratus</i>	BLACK VULTURE / MEXICAN VULTURE
000003	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	BALD EAGLE
000004	<i>Dromaius novaehollandiae</i>	EMU
000002	<i>Corvus albicollis</i>	WHITE-NECKED RAVEN
000002	<i>Cygnus atratus</i>	BLACK SWAN
000002	<i>Dacelo novaeguineae</i>	LAUGHING KOOKABURRA
000001	<i>Tockus deckeni</i>	VON DER DECKEN'S HORNBILL
000001	<i>Meleagris gallopavo domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC TURKEY
000003	<i>Pavo cristatus</i>	INDIAN PEAFOWL / COMMON PEAFOWL / PEAHEN / PEACOCK
000001	<i>Ara macao</i>	SCARLET MACAW
000002	<i>Corvus corax</i>	COMMON RAVEN
000003	<i>Taeniopygia guttata</i>	ZEBRA FINCH / TIMOR ZEBRA FINCH
000001	<i>Ara glaucogularis</i>	BLUE-THROATED MACAW
000001	<i>Bubo virginianus</i>	GREAT HORNED OWL
000002	<i>Bubo bubo</i>	EURASIAN EAGLE-OWL
000004	<i>Canis familiaris</i>	DOG ADULT
000002	<i>Threskiornis aethiopicus</i>	AFRICAN SACRED IBIS
000014	<i>Gallus gallus domesticus</i>	DOMESTIC CHICKEN (INCLUDING ALL DOMESTIC BREEDS / TURKIN / COCK / HEN / ROOSTER)
000001	<i>Ara chloropterus</i>	RED-AND-GREEN MACAW / GREEN-WINGED MACAW
000154	<b>Total</b>	



United States Department of Agriculture  
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service

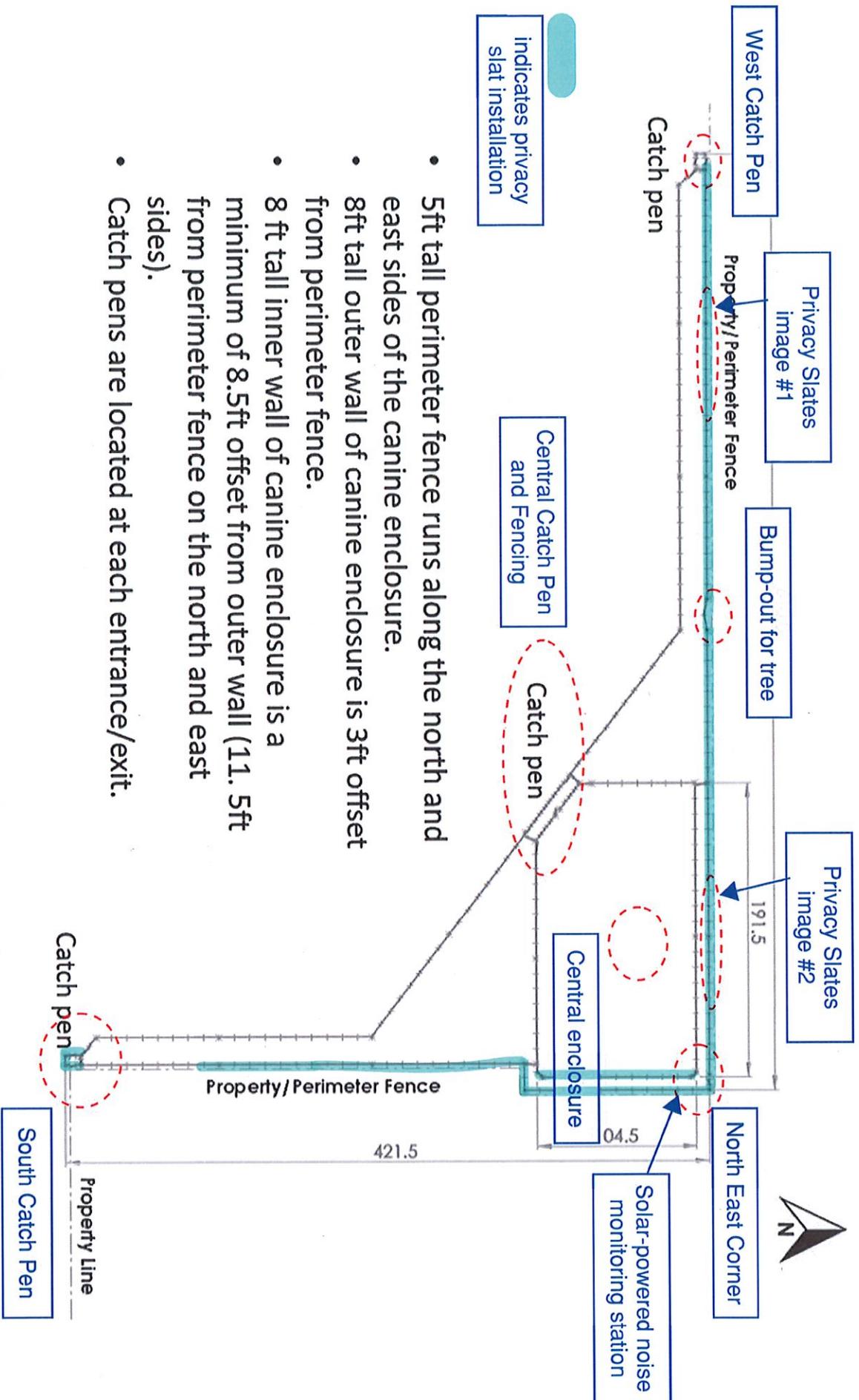
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**Site Inspection  
Photos with Key Map**

**Inspection date  
03.20.26**



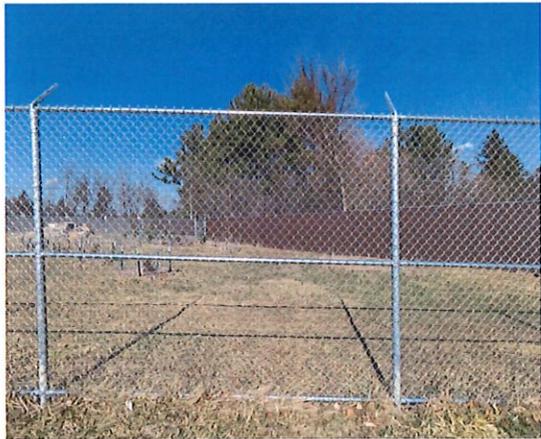
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**ATTACHMENT 3 – Perimeter Fence and Enclosure Design Layout**

South Catch Pen



Central Catch Pen  
and Fencing



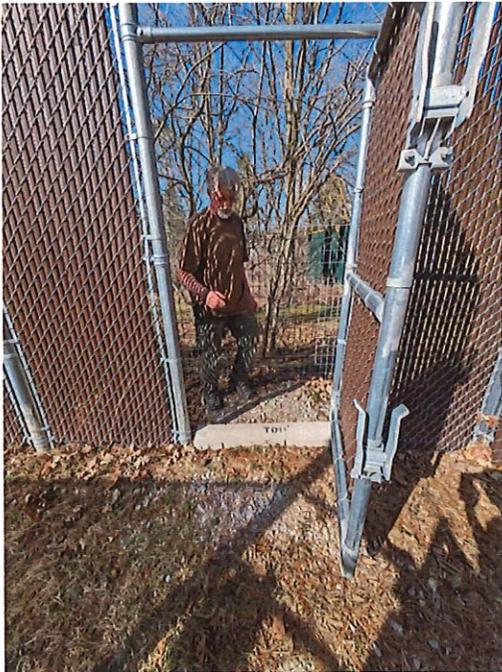


Central enclosure





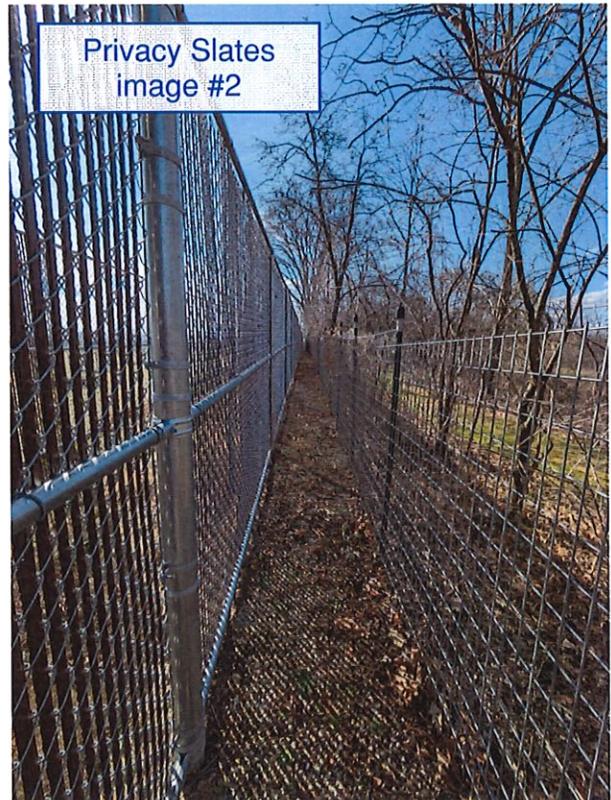
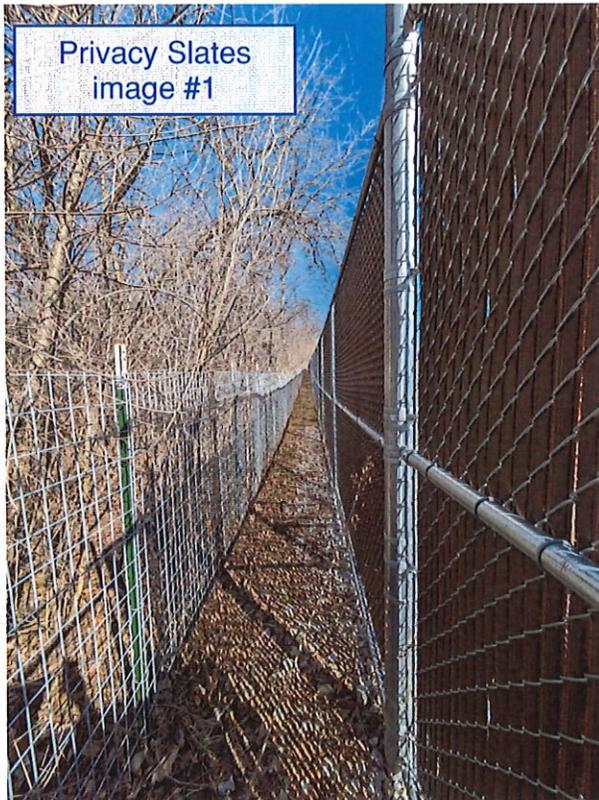
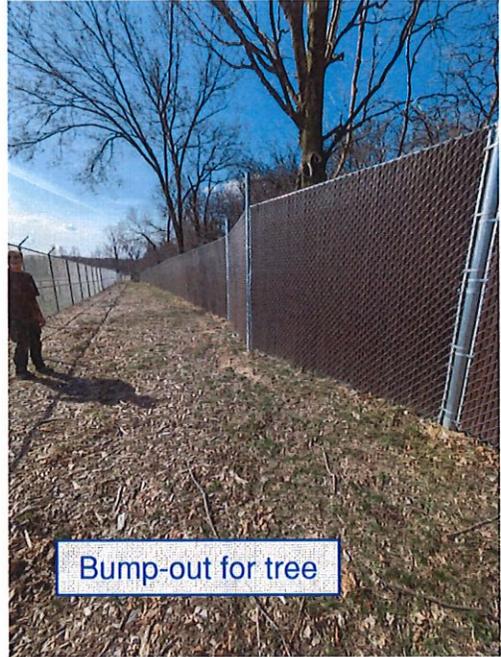
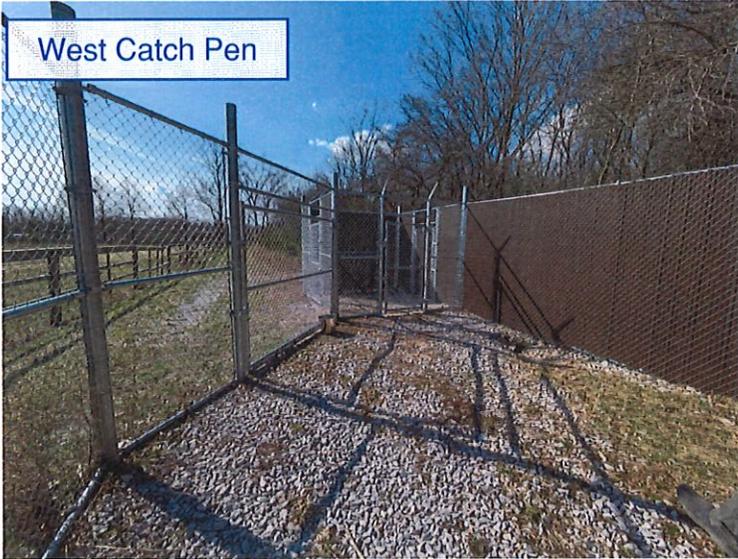
North East Corner



PROPERTY LINE  
MARKER



REBAR SPACED  
EVERY 4 INCHES





Solar-powered noise monitoring station