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Zoo's Draft Annual Plan for 2019 available for public review and comment

WHAT:

Woodland Park Zoo's Draft Annual Plan for 2019 is available to the public beginning December 1 through midnight, December 31, 2018. The Annual Plan describes any programmatic changes, capital improvements or other key developments for the coming year.

HOW:

INFO:

The Annual Plan is submitted annually in the fourth quarter to the Superintendent of Seattle Parks and Recreation. Public comment on this plan is encouraged and is available for review and comment on the zoo's website at www.zoo.org/reports.

The plan also is available for review in hard copy at the zoo's Center for Wildlife Conservation reception office at 5500 Phinney Ave. N. during zoo hours. In addition, nearby neighborhood community councils are notified of the Annual Plan's availability and are encouraged to make comments.

Comments on the Draft Annual Plan 2019 can be submitted electronically to zooinfo@zoo.org. Written comments can be mailed to: Woodland Park Zoo, 5500 Phinney Ave. N., Seattle, WA 98103, Attention: "Annual Plan Comments."

WHEN: Public comment period: December 1 through midnight, December 31, 2018.

> Fall/winter hours: 9:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. daily. The zoo is open every day except Christmas Day, December 25. For more information and to become a zoo member, visit www.zoo.org or call 206.548.2500.

Founded in 1899, Woodland Park Zoo engages more than a million visitors of all ages, backgrounds, abilities, and walks of life in extraordinary experiences with animals, inspiring them to make conservation a priority in their lives. The zoo is helping to save animals and their habitats in the wild through more than 30 field projects in the Pacific Northwest and around the world. Woodland Park Zoo is accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aguariums and certified by the rigorous American Humane Conservation program. The Humane Certified™ seal of approval is another important validation of the zoo's long-standing tradition of meeting the highest standards in animal welfare. Visit www.zoo.org and follow the zoo on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.

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