



# ZAHP news & updates

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## Hurricane Season 2021 Updates

It's **National Hurricane Preparedness Week**, so what better time to ensure that your facility is prepared for this year's hurricane season? Colorado State University is predicting an "above-average" hurricane season for 2021 - so **start planning by reading our latest blog post!**

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## Updated Considerations and Precautions for Small Carnivores

On April 22, 2021 Veterinary Advisors for the AZA Small Carnivore Taxon Advisory Group (TAG) released an updated version of their **SARS-CoV-2 Considerations and Precautions**, originally created in April 2020.

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## Webinar Recordings

Visit the links below for recordings and materials from the following webinars:

- **Drills 101** - Presented by the AZA Safety Committee on May 5th, this webinar dives into how to plan, document, and execute drills.
- **SZS: African Swine Fever** - This Secure Zoo webinar, held on April 29th, features Dr. Scott A. Kramer, Swine Commodity Specialist with USDA-APHIS VS.



## Announcing 2021 ZAHP Capacity-Building Grants!

Since 2017, the Zoo and Aquarium All Hazards Partnership (ZAHP) has been able to provide a total of 43 small grants funded by the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) as a way to help enhance preparedness and response activities in the exotic animal industry (EAI).

We are excited to announce this year's grant program, which will provide opportunities for initiatives with a broader impact and scope by offering grants of **up to \$15,000** to exotic animal facilities and collaborating organizations seeking support for projects that would build capacity for response and/or recovery for the EAI.

*Applications are due June 21, 2021*

**Learn more and download the application here!**

## DarkSide Ransomware: Best Practices for Preventing Business Disruption from Ransomware Attacks

In light of the recent DarkSide ransomware attack on a U.S. pipeline company, the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) have released a cybersecurity advisory, "[\*\*DarkSide Ransomware: Best Practices for Preventing Business Disruption from Ransomware Attacks\*\*](#)." CISA and FBI are urging critical infrastructure asset owners and operators to adopt a heightened state of awareness and implement the recommendations listed in this advisory.

Review the following resources for more best practices on strengthening cybersecurity posture at your facility:

- [\*\*Joint Ransomware Guide\*\*](#) (CISA and Multi-State Information Sharing and Analysis Center)
- CISA Ransomware Webpage: [\*\*Ransomware Guidance and Resources\*\*](#)
- CISA Insights: [\*\*Ransomware Outbreak\*\*](#)