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ALPINE SANCTUARY RESCUES TWO CATS FROM TIGER KING PARK AS PART OF LARGE-SCALE RESCUE OPERATION



Jeff Lowe's Big Cats Dispersed Among Reputable U.S. Sanctuaries

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May 23, 2021 (Alpine) – Lions Tigers & Bears, San Diego's only accredited big cat and bear sanctuary, led by Bobbi Brink, worked with several other accredited sanctuaries and the U.S. Department of Justice this week to carry out a large-scale rescue of endangered big cats at Tiger King Park in Thackerville, Oklahoma. In total, 69 big cats – lions, tigers, lion-tiger hybrids and one jaguar – were removed from Jeff and Lauren Lowe's facility due to "ongoing Endangered Species Act violations."

Two of the rescued female tigers are now housed and under the care of Lions Tigers & Bears while the U.S. Department of Justice seeks forfeiture of the animals. The Lions Tigers & Bears Rescue Team brought three animal rescue haulers to Oklahoma to facilitate the transport of multiple tigers from the Tiger King Park to three accredited sanctuaries in the U.S. including Lions Tigers & Bears.

"I was honored to bring a team to Oklahoma to assist with this significant animal rescue operation," said Lions Tigers & Bears Founder and Director Bobbi Brink. "With several accredited sanctuary teams working together with the federal

officials, it was an efficient and seamless operation. Our priority was relocating these big cats to accredited sanctuaries where they will receive proper veterinary care, diet, shelter and habitats while the court decides what's next."

The two rescued tigers will be under a mandatory quarantine for a minimum of 30 days and will be treated by Lions Tigers & Bears veterinary team.