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The Vision for the Placitas Herd:
Achieve healthy horses & healthy range in balance with
diverse community interests



Placitas Herd Management Plan: Working Draft 1

- Goal 1 – reduce reproduction using the immunocontraceptive PZP & support herd health via annual PZP treatment.
- Goal 2 – improve herd & community safety while achieving the highest possible quality of life for the horses.
- Goal 3 – implement humane, science-based herd management for the Placitas herd throughout the life of the herd.

Humane, Sustainable Management Objectives & Strategies for the Placitas Herd

- Goal 1 - Reproduction ~ treat 90% of mares & fillies annually, monitor for out-of-season births, assess foaling & optimize PZP
- Goal 2 – Health, Safety, & Quality of Life ~ explore developing a community-based refuge, designating a community herd, relocating family bands to refuge outside of the community, developing actual & virtual adoption programs, & designating feeding & watering zones
- Goal 3 – Sustained Herd Management ~ continue management & secure the necessary legal, policy and funding commitments



Herd Management Planning & Implementation

- Utilize multiple methods to achieve more effective & timely results
- Prioritize health & safety in choosing initial management actions & implement additional actions over time
- Build cooperation to achieve results for the larger community, the horses, & the environment

THANK YOU



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