Public Comment for Upcoming Commission Meeting

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Comments:

I regret not supporting the ban on feeding free-roaming horses in the Placitas area, I feel that it is a band-aid attempt at a horse solution. I think the ordinance as proposed would create more problems than it would solve.

I live in the Las Huertas valley. The native grasses have been decimated in all areas, both public and private, which have not been fenced. I feel a more comprehensive solution should be formulated including 1) a new survey of all Placitas residents regarding their opinions about the presence of feral horses, 2) an up-to-date population survey of the feral horses, 3) a range evaluation by a range management expert, 4) a report from the sheriff's department listing the dates and places of horses being hit by vehicles. All this information should be made available to the public. Both state and county lawmakers should work together to find solutions.