



**Public comment**

All divisions

First and last name: Stephanie Winkle Today's date: 3/14/8  
Organization: Hudson Valley Wild Horse Protection Fund

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Agenda item you are speaking on: Public Comment

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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All divisions

First and last name: Avita Strong Today's date: 3/14/18

Organization: Virginia Range Wild Horses

Email address: avomalchen@gmail.com

Agenda item you are speaking on: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: \_\_\_\_\_  
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All divisions

First and last name: Loyd W Spackman Today's date: March 14-18

Organization: Home Ranch

Email address: ~~loydwspackman~~ loydwsherbarr

Agenda item you are speaking on: Breeder

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: is the board Dept. financially solvent

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**Public comment**  
All divisions

First and last name: Therese Cline Today's date: 3/14/2018

Organization: Wild Horse Preservation League

Email address: therese.cline@gmail.com

Agenda item you are speaking on: Wild Horse RFP

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?  
 In favor  
 In opposition  
 Neutral

Do you wish to speak?  
 Yes  
 No

Comments: Please withdraw your RFP to transfer ownership of the Virginia Range wild horses. The business leaders have asked you, the citizens have demanded, and the advocates have volunteered to work with the NDA to manage the wild horses. PLEASE LISTEN TO THE PEOPLE OF NEVADA!



**Public comment**  
All divisions

First and last name: John Cline Today's date: 3/14/18

Organization: Wild Horse Preservation League

Email address: John.Cline@usa.net

Agenda item you are speaking on: Wild Horse RFP

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item? Do you wish to speak?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

- Yes
- No

Comments: The wild horses are an icon to the state of Nevada. These animals should be managed, but in a humane way. Please consider the re-instatement of the cooperative agreement.



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All divisions

First and last name: Pat Colletti MD Today's date: 3/14/18  
Organization: Virgina Range Sanctuary  
Email address: doctorspat@yandex.com  
Agenda item you are speaking on: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: How to Support Boudy on your effort to properly manage Virginia Range Horses. Do not support give away but garner a large public effort coordinated by VRS.



**Public comment**  
All divisions

First and last name: Susan Kauffmann Today's date: 3-14-18  
Organization: Virginia Range Sanctuary  
Email address: the dark horse rider @ gmail-com  
Agenda item you are speaking on: N/A

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: want to speak about the horse related RFP.  
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**Public comment**

All divisions

First and last name: De Loue Hoolik Ukaalik Today's date: 3/14/15

Organization: Wild Horse Preservation League / American Wild Horse Campaign

Email address: ukaalike@gmail.com

Agenda item you are speaking on: horses

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No NU

Comments: NR 569,016 NR 569,031, NR 568,355, 568,340, 568,350 per all barren statutes

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First and last name: Loyd W. Sherburn Today's date: March 14-18

Organization: Gene Bennett LLC

Email address: loydws@sherburn

Agenda item you are speaking on: Wind horses

Are you in favor, in opposition or neutral regarding the agenda item?

- In favor
- In opposition
- Neutral

Do you wish to speak?

- Yes
- No

Comments: Need to contact Gene Bennett

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**Alora Bartosz**

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agenda_number	3
agenda_letter	A
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	Neutral
Wish to Speak	Yes
Comment	

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**Alora Bartosz**

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City	Reno
State	NV
Zip code	89521
agenda_number	3
agenda_letter	A
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	Neutral
Wish to Speak	Yes
Comment	Regarding the RFP and the recent press... I would just like to let the board know that there IS ANOTHER OPTION currently on the table that can be a win for all. Stopping the RFP doesn't mean that you're stuck in the same old arrangement or environment that wasn't working previously. There are LOCAL, competent, proven, TRUSTED groups that can and will work together who are fully ready to take on the management of the horses and the range with a new vision and the financial and physical support to succeed. The local NDA office already knows and trusts the capabilities of this Local group and they are growing fast in numbers and strength. Just know... YOU AREN'T STUCK... there IS a 3rd option. Please consider stopping the RFP and entertaining a new group to manage the herd. Public safety is THE priority and managing the numbers to a reasonable size is mandatory. THIRD OPTION... JUST KNOW IT IS THERE and available to you.

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State	NV
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agenda_number	5
agenda_letter	A
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	In Opposition
Wish to Speak	No
Comment	<p>I am very disappointed in the Board's response regarding the RFP to transfer ownership of Virginia Range wild horses to a nonprofit group. The Board acknowledges receiving our calls, social media posts, faxes and email, but I wonder if you are really hearing what the citizens of this great state are saying. We want these horses protected. The Board must realize that no nonprofit will be able to take ownership of these horses due to financial constraints, which leaves only organizations who want to profit from these horses, will remove them from the range and sell them to kill buyers to be sent to slaughter. These horses have economic value to the State in tourism and the fact that so many of the billion dollar firms relocating to TRIC are in favor of protecting the horses and are willing to put their money where their mouth is. Does this Board really want to be known to the world as the group that slaughters our beloved Virginia Range Horses?</p> <p>I urge you ... meet with the advocate groups. Let's come up with a solution that is acceptable to all concerned ... it can be done.</p> <p>Respectfully</p>

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City	Las Vegas
State	NV
Zip code	89019
agenda_number	1
agenda_letter	A
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	In Opposition
Wish to Speak	No
Comment	DO NOT ALLOW TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP OF THE VIRGINIA RANGE HORSES TO AN UNKNOWN ORGANIZATION RESCIND THE RFP-----NOW!

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City	Reno
State	NV
Zip code	89519
agenda_number	4
agenda_letter	B
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	In Opposition
Wish to Speak	No
Comment	As a Nevada citizen , I find it unacceptable that RFP put out by NDA does not include provisions that guarantee the future for the Virginia Range wild horses and provides NO ASSURANCE that they : can't be sold for slaughter won't be completely removed from the Virginia Range  I ask you , Director Barbee, and members of the board to follow your civic responsibility to work with local advocates to create a humane plan for our treasured horses of the Virginia Range! Thank you for your consideration, Barbara Stephano

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State	nv
Zip code	89521
agenda_number	2
agenda_letter	A
Favor, Opposition, Neutral	Neutral
Wish to Speak	Yes
Comment	<p>Kelly Hyatt, RE: Virginia Range Horses and working with NDA</p> <p>I wish to speak, but I may not get off work so if I am not there I would like my letter read into the public record.</p> <p>Thank you Director Barbee, and NDA, Chris Miller and Doug Ferris, for the opportunity I have had during the past few years, as a volunteer for many of the various local groups ,to work with NDA in a positive way in regards to public safety and range matters pertaining to Virginia Range horses.</p> <p>I am one of the very small handful of volunteers who actually did the on the ground grunt work. I have spent many hours delivering hay onto the range for diversionary feeding, hauling water up to the range, monitoring injured horses and calling in for assistance when they needed to be put down, or rescued or relocated, moved out of roadways and so on. I am trained in Technical Large Animal Emergency Rescue, and I have participated in several live foal rescues and fencing projects as well as recruited two people into the darting/documenting program, which led to almost 1000 horses being added to the WHIMS identification data base and I am also one of the original 4 certified PZP darters for the Virginia Range and have personally darted 150 horses on the VR Range.</p>

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	<p>Please don't be part of making the innocent horses become the victims of human folly and emotions when only humans have the capacity to work together to find solutions that can be for the better of all.</p> <p>Kelly Hyatt Virginia Range Wild Horse Volunteer</p>

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March 14 2018

Nevada Board of Agriculture  
405 South 21th Street  
Sparks, Nv 89431

I oppose the decision to transfer ownership of the Virginia Range feral stray horses to a non-profit Organization. As a tax payer I have the right to protest this decision. I want to walk out to the open land and see these beautiful Nevada Icons. I am tried of seeing only people, and building, and houseing developments, and warehouse's.

I dont see you running up to the mountains to remove all the Bears, and Deer's, and other wild animals. these horses don't belong to you, as well as all the other wild animals, why would you make this kind of a poor decision, why are you choseing to destroy all the wild Nevada horses. we don't belong to Elko's decision.

I am tired of the people who have the power, taking advantage of people that do not have the power, and taking what matter's the most from the tax paying people. According to NRS 569, it is illegal to take our wild Nevada Icons, the way you propose in the RFP. they belong to the tax paying people, not to the agriculture department. You don't have the right to make this decision for the people of Nevada.

Sincerely *Norma Davidson*  
*Roger*  
Norma & Roger Davidson  
14050 Feldspar CT  
Reno Nevada 89521



March 14, 2018

Paul Anderson,  
Chairman, Nevada Board of Agriculture  
405 South 21<sup>st</sup> Street  
Sparks, NV 89431

Dear Mr. Anderson,

In response to your letter of February 15, 2018 addressed to Hidden Valley Wild Horse Protection Fund, we would like to thank you for taking the time to respond. However, the wording of your response is very disappointing, short sighted, disingenuous, and completely missed the point.

First, the communications sent to the Board cannot be classified as "public comment". Each letter addressed to a Board member with the subject line "Official Correspondence to the Nevada Board of Agriculture" must be handled as an official document according to NRS 239, Nevada Public Records Law. Please ensure the NDoA staff handles these communications accordingly and not just as "Public Comment".

Second, while you, on behalf of your Board, have apparently failed to recognize it, the multiple letters, FAXes, phone calls, emails, and posts to social media have been and will continue to be the only responses the NDoA will receive to the poorly thought out and formulated RFP to transfer ownership of the Virginia Range horses to a non-profit organization.

Third, the tone of your response fails to recognize or acknowledge the voices of the many people who reached out to let you know how they feel through the messages they have sent and continue to send to you, which is "RFP bad, Cooperative Management Agreement good".

Additionally, did you or any other Board member or NDoA staff respond to one of the multiple letters, calls, FAXes, emails, or social media communications? As a Board of appointees, you may believe that you have no responsibility to the public. However, just as elected officials have no guarantee of position stability, appointed officials have a much less secure and tenuous base from which to operate.

We ask that you listen to the people, those who have reached out to the Nevada Board of Agriculture, and heed their call to rescind the RFP and return to a Cooperative Management Agreement with local advocates. It is the right thing to do and the easiest to accomplish before public pressure becomes more than may have been expected.

Sincerely  
  
The Board of Directors

Hidden Valley Wild Horse Protection Fund  
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