

Mary Reents

From: J Barnhill [barnhill@wildblue.net]

Sent: Friday, July 23, 2010 9:33 AM

To: bbuckingham@grover.org

Cc: Mary Reents

Gentlemen:

We have just been informed of the intent to limit the number of spaces yet again at equestrian staging area at the end of grand avenue in Grover city. It is our understanding that promises were made in the early 90's that access to the beach would always be available, and the unpaved area next to the restaurant parking lot would always be there for the equestrian community to enjoy the beach.

At scoping meetings, we also understand 25 spaces were being proposed, although this is inadequate, we now hear the plan is to further reduce the number of spaces to 11. This is not nearly enough for our needs.

We respectfully request that you reasses the staging area as was originally promised.

John L and Judith A. Barnhill,

Members,
Backcountry Horsemen of California
High Sierra Unit

Mary Reents

From: Championspirit@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, August 01, 2010 10:48 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: sorry but you are wrong again re: equestrian staging area

I regret to say this but you folks are wrong to try and renege on the agreement made so many years ago which you abided by until big money developers bought your souls. I am 69 years old and one of the best days of my life was because I was finally able to ride my horse on the beach after 45 years of dreaming about this. Please do not take this staging area down to only 11 spots; this simply will not be adequate.

Judith baron
templeton, ca

Mary Reents

From: Laura Bearer [lbearer@lifeservicesmanagement.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 9:07 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Staging area for Equestrians
Importance: High

Reference: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

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We hope you will reassess this staging area to service the community as planned.

Sincerely,

Laura P. Bearer
90 E. Thousand Oaks Blvd #202
Thousand Oaks, Ca 91360
lbearer@lifeservicesmanagement.com
805-497-0414 x404

Mary Reents

From: gitlost@prodigy.net
Sent: Monday, August 02, 2010 10:02 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian Access

Mr. Bruce Buckingham City of Grover beach c/o Mary Reents SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200 San Luis Obispo, California 93401

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Sincerely,
Tooti Bevill
gitlost@prodigy.net
805-975-2460
Sent on the Sprint® Now Network from my BlackBerry®

Mary Reents

From: Sandra Brems [sandrabrems@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 4:07 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Beach Parking for Horses

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City of Grover beach

c/o Mary Reents

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I have friends who have attended your "scoping" meetings and the proposed 11 parking spaces are not enough and too small. The needs of the equestrian community will not be served adequately by this current proposal. I hope you will reassess this staging area to service the equestrian community as planned.

Sincerely,

Sandra Brems

Trilogy at Monarch Dunes

Nipomo

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7/19/2010

Mary Reents

From: Cece Campbell [closebyranch@gmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 01, 2010 8:52 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Please add to the Equestrian parking at Grover Beach!

"Mr. Bruce Buckingham
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Sincerely,

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Cece Campbell
Close By Ranch
San Luis Obispo County
805.434.7451

Mary Reents

From: lindarella@sbcglobal.net
Sent: Wednesday, August 11, 2010 4:35 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Grover Beach Staging Area

Dear Mr. Buckingham,

I understand that Hans R. Hansson has corresponded with you to voice the needs of the equestrian community for parking near the Grover Beach onramp. I do not know Mr. Hansson personally, but, I wanted to contact you as a resident on behalf of the horse-staging area at the end of Grand Avenue.

Since 1999, I've owned a building on Leoni Drive in Grover Beach where my business, Scarecrow Inc. Vampire Fangs is housed. Previously, I rented a commercial unit on Farroll Road, so, altogether, I have had my business in Grover Beach for 15 years. As a working-artist and business-person running a worldwide operation, quietly, from our special little corner of SLO County, I would like to add my voice to the chorus of equestrians, residents, business-owners and tourists *who need you to understand just how special and important it is to have a proper, safe place to park to bring our horses onto the beach.*

I simply can not express enough how special the privilege of having equestrian beach-access is, not only to us horse riders, but, to tourists, the businesses near the beach and toward enhancing the general "feel" of the beach in our neighborhood - particularly because so much coastal ambience is lost with so many automobiles and ATV's sharing the beach already. The ability to ride a horse on the beach is one of the reasons I was interested in moving from New York City to this area. At the time I thought riding on a beach was an activity that one could only schedule on some exotic vacation. I am not a seasoned equestrian, I never had a horse before I moved here as an adult, and, I have a single, elderly horse. The truth is: I don't know much about horses, except my own. But, I can tell you that the joy I experience when relating to the Pacific seascape from the back of my horse is absolutely unmatched. There are days when my entire ride may be accompanied by the view of a breaching whale, or a pod of dolphins.

In addition, I ride in the dunes between Grand Ave and Pier Ave : a magical place, particularly in the spring, when the lupine and lavender are blooming. There are so many different plants and animals to observe, it is just a beautiful ecosystem, and one that, thankfully, can only be experienced on foot or from the back of a horse. Riding in the dunes and on the open strand is such a magical experience, I think you really have to try it for yourself to understand how special it is to walk quietly along at the pace of an animal, while up higher than you would be on foot, which, offers so many more opportunities to observe what is going on in the ocean beside you. I believe I was also the first person to do the annual volunteer community beach clean-up on horseback some years ago, returning with some of the most foul waste including hypodermic needles, used tampons and condoms, because on my horse, I was able to gather trash that accumulates in some of the more remote areas of the dunes that would be almost impossible to reach on foot in the course of a single day. I also took it upon myself that day to clear the trash and refuse from the entire staging acreage.

One does have to have what we call a "bulletproof" horse to ride on the beach. I have experienced not only the joys of traveling by horse that I mentioned, but, also the dangers. Once, I had my 2-year-old daughter on my horse with me when a truck sped by and threw lit firecrackers under my horses feet. I have experienced many ATV riders and motorcycles intentionally speed up and maneuver purposely close to me while on my horse with the intention of setting my horse to rearing or bolting. Thankfully, my old horse is quite unshakable, and barely lifts a foot on these occasions. I can't imagine the kind of people who would do those things, and in general those experiences are few and far between. Most motorized beach-goers are not only respectful, but, grateful that we equestrians are there to make their seascape photographs more beautiful with our presence. I love it when children flag me over to pet my horse, and they often ask if there is a place to rent and ride during their stay. People are curious about horses, interestingly, even though they are such a common animal in our world, approaching one is still a singular experience when it's not something a person gets to do in the normal course of their day. I love giving other people the same thrill that I get to have every day since I've chosen to live in this beautiful community.

I have parked my modest, aged, 2-horse trailer in the dirt staging area and taken my horse onto the beach for a few hours only to return to cars, camping trailers and RV's parked within a few feet on all sides of my trailer leaving me unable to open the rear to get my horse back in. We need lots of room around each trailer to comfortably maneuver our animals aside our modest rigs, which are, in general, far smaller than many of the RV's that infringe on our margins without regard

to the distance needed between vehicles to just open a trailer gate. We also need signage that indicates proper parking distances and expresses the rights of equestrians so that RV's don't take over the spaces, which is what they often do now. Please, please, please add back the necessary space Mr. Hansson has requested and the necessary signage to reserve use of the area for our unique circumstances: the space that we genuinely need to park our trailers, open side doors to access our gear, provide enough room for us to safely remove and replace our animals, so that we can continue to safely bring our beautiful pets to the beach for everyone to enjoy. If you don't, you will be choosing to further support automobiles over horses, and, although their presence is a discussion for a different day, clearly, cars, ATV's, motorcycles and enormous RV's already get the lion's share of resources and accommodations at the beach already. It is a small thing you can do to assure the continued presence of horses on the beach not only for the riders, but, for the observers who enjoy their presence so much.

I would like to close with an invitation to you, personally, and any of your colleagues to meet me at the staging area so that I can show you just how much space that even a modest, 2-horse trailer like mine needs. I will show you how I park, unload my horse and how I tie him to the side of the trailer to tack him, so that you can see for yourself that Mr. Hansson's request for more room is extremely reasonable, and in fact, the safest proposal. I would also be more than happy to walk you along the beach on my horse, and into the dunes so that you can feel the amazing energy of the experience and see for yourself the beautiful flora and fauna and importantly, the wonderful response you will get from beachgoers who enjoy so much, the sight of a horse and rider trotting in the breeze, setting seagulls aloft and kicking up the surf to make their photos some of the most memorable of their vacation to the Central Coast. Please do your part to keep these experiences possible by choosing to provide an appropriate amount of space.

Please contact me on my cell phone 805-234-7355 if you would like to arrange a time to get together so that you can be best-informed while making this important decision.

Sincerely,
Linda Camplese, Creative Director & Owner
Scarecrow Inc.
Resident, Mom & devoted Grover Beach horse-rider

Mary Reents

From: stephen citron [scitron@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 12:26 PM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: horse trailer parking

It has come to our attention that there is a planned development in Grover Beach, which will eliminate the availability of using the beach and parks for equestrians. I know that without sufficient space to park a horse trailer, the equestrians won't be able to use ANY of the area. This is very distressing, as unlike the moto/dune buggy folks, equestrians are not vocal about political and community needs. That does not mean that they don't need access and places to prepare for riding. This includes the availability of a parking area with access to the beach.

I personally have driven all the way to Grover City just to have the enjoyment of serene riding on the sand. It is also one of the **ONLY PLACES** in California where beach access is possible and allowed!!

There is **ONE** in San Diego, next to the border, **NONE** in Orange County, **NONE** in Los Angeles County, **NONE** in Ventura County and **NONE** in Santa Barbara County. After that, we must go to Montana De Oro, in San Luis Obispo County! Bicyclists have access every where, Equestrians have very few, and these become so crowded, they become dangerous. The very nature of animals being spooked by traffic or loud motorcycles dictate **QUIET** areas to recreate and enjoy the outdoors with our wonderful horses.

Please reconsider building over the parking for horse trailers

Thank you for your time and consideration;

Stephen Citron
Palmdale, CA.

Mary Reents

From: SandraRClark@aol.com
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2010 2:22 PM
To: Mary Reents; christie.cormack@novartis.com; rlcanton@yahoo.com
Subject: Pismo Beach Horseback trailering

From: SandraRClark@aol.com
To: bbuckingham@grover.org, SandraRClark@aol.com
Sent: 7/25/2010 2:14:39 P.M. Pacific Daylight Time
Subj: (no subject)

Greetings,

My name is Sandra Clark, I have been a resident of California since 1972 and have been a generous tax supporter of the State of California. One of the benefits of remaining in California is the amazing weather and locations we have to go horse back riding. With all the other negative things going on in California please do not limit and reduce the already limited riding locations we can visit by reducing trailer spaces. This is one of the pleasures or trade offs of all the high taxes (we are in the top 10% tax bracket). If you check the data you will find the horseback riding folks that fit in this category are in the higher tax base. Thank you for your time and consideration, in the era where many folks are leaving California.

Please use wise stewardship over his precious resource, Pismo Beach and our amazing coastline.

active citizen and volunteer,
Sandra Clark

Mary Reents

From: christie.cormack@novartis.com
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2010 6:48 PM
To: SandraRClark@aol.com
Cc: Mary Reents; rlcanton@yahoo.com; spwool@att.net
Subject: Re: Pismo Beach Horseback trailering

Great Letter Sandra!

We can maybe copy some of your excellent points and send our own emails to the site!

Kind regards,

Chris

Chris Cormack, Sr CRA
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Mary Reents

From: Sue Eason [susaneason3@gmail.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 2:22 PM

To: Mary Reents

Subject: Add the 25 parking spaces

Please add 25 parking spaces so us horses lovers can ride their horses.

Sue Eason

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~Sue~

Mary Reents

From: sandra erb kramp [sekramp@yahoo.com]

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 3:30 PM

To: Mary Reents

JULY 15, 2010

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover beach
c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
San Luis Obispo, California 93401

Reference: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

I am a resident of Oceano and a horse owner. I have recently purchased a horse trailer. My hope is to go riding on the beach without the hassle of loading my horse and driving to the beach, only to find there is no place to park!

Horse owners contribute to the local economy, Farm Supply, gas stations, resturants, farmers & Miners for example.

If your plans included ample parking, our community could attract horse events, shows, feed seminars & club rides from other horse communities! Once they come , their sure to want to lunch and check out ours local stores.

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Sincerely,

7/19/2010

Sandy Erb kramp
Oceano

Sandy

Mary Reents

From: Lisa Fiske [fiskelisa@msn.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 12:23 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents

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Sincerely,

Hans R. Hansson

President

IN SUPPORT OF THE 25 SPACES

Lisa Fiske

928 Anna Circle

Nipomo Ca 93444

Hours in the barn are stolen pleasures.

It is in my blood to love horses, I share my life with them.

My horses know my secrets, we braid our tears into their manes and whisper our hopes into their ears.

A barn in a sanctuary in an unsettled world.

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Mary Reents

From: CJ Foglietta [jcfoglietta@yahoo.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 5:59 PM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian Staging Area

The 11 parking spaces are too small. We were promised access to the beach at the end of Grand. We were also promised 25 spaces for horse trailer. PLEASE keep your promise.

Chris Foglietta
930 Labrador Ln
Arroyo Grande, CA

"You will always be lucky if you know how to make friends with animals." proverb
Adopt your next pet from a shelter. <http://www.petfinder.com/pet-adoption>

Mary Reents

From: Hans & El-Jay Hansson [hansson@verizon.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 14, 2010 9:46 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Cc: hans & El-Jay Hansson
Subject: Convention Center Beach Parking

RIDE NIPOMO EQUESTRIAN TRAILS ALLIANCE, INC.
P. O. BOX 1738
NIPOMO, CALIFORNIA 93444

July 14, 2010

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover beach
c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
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Hans R. Hansson
President

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From: trailqueene@charter.net
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 4:59 PM
To: Mary Reents

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We hope you will reassess this staging area to service the community as planned.

Sincerely,

Esther Hoffman

Mary Reents

From: Kitt Jenae [hoofmessages@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 28, 2010 10:40 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Re: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

Kitt Jenae
Mobile Horse Trainer since 1981
Member of Ride Nipomo
 692 Beverly Dr.
 Nipomo, CA 93444

July 28, 2010
 Mr. Bruce Buckingham
 City of Grover beach
 c/o Mary Reents
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Sincerely,
 Kitt Jenae

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"If we ever forget that we are One Nation Under God, then we will be a nation gone under." President Ronald Reagan 8/23/84

Mary Reents

From: Image Specialties [ImageSpecialties@msn.com]
Sent: Sunday, July 25, 2010 11:51 AM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian Concerns Grover Beach Project

Please keep all of the equestrian parking at the Grover Beach project. Equestrians pay their taxes and need access to parking just like everyone else. You will have wide support if you protect the rights of equestrians.

**Thank you,
Linda Jones
310-397-8886**

Mary Reents

From: kjowers [kjowers@verizon.net]
Sent: Friday, July 16, 2010 10:31 AM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian parking at Pismo Beach

To Whom it May Concern,

I am so disappointed to hear the proposed parking for horse trailers at Pismo Beach has dwindled to just 11 spaces, and they are so small it probably will only actually handle a few rigs. This is a shame, I've seen this happen time and again. If you are going to squeeze out the locals who patronize your community in favor of tourists, at least find an alternative site for horse trailer parking and beach access.

The reasons so many of us have chosen to live on the central coast do not include more 'tourist accommodations'. Tourists enjoy seeing the riders and their horses on the beach and in the parking area. I can't count the number of photos my horses have posed in for tourists. We are part of the charm, as well as part of the local economy. I give up a lot of luxury for the pleasure of spending all my free time and money on horse related things, you would be amazed if you knew what each of us riders spends locally, 12 months a year, every year, whether the economy is up or down. We ride, we feed, we buy gas, lunch, park passes, tack, clothing, it goes on and on.

Please don't squeeze us out. So many riders retire out of state because they want a horse friendly community. Do your part to keep the central coast horse friendly, please.

Sincerely,

Karen Jowers

Mary Reents

From: kristej1124@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 22, 2010 6:05 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian Staging Area

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover beach
c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
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Sincerely,

Kriste Judd
Shell Beach, CA
709-3585

Mary Reents

From: Veronica [taxpoet@ca.rr.com]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 8:37 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: HORSE AREAS

PLEASE DON'T SQUEEZE OUT OUR CALIFORNIA FLAVOR AND AMBIENCE!
HORSES AND THEIR RIDERS ARE CALIFORNIA!
THEY CAUSE SUCH JOY WHEREVER WE GO.

THEY CAN ADD SO MUCH TO YOUR MISSION AND VISION BY BEING
INCLUDED, NOT REDUCED TO 11 SPACES FROM THE EXISTING 25..

HORSE RIDING SHOULD BE PRESERVED AS A TREASURE..
AND AN ECONOMIC ASSET FOR RESIDENTS AND TOURISTS ALIKE.

PLEASE, DO NOT REDUCE OUR SPACES FROM 25 TO 11....
INCLUDE US IN YOUR PLANS AS A CALIFORNIA TREASURE.

THANK YOU,
VERONICA KELLY
EQUESTRIAN TRIALS INTERNATIONAL
CORRAL 20, CORRAL 210

Mary Reents

From: Shannon Kessler [skessler99@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 3:29 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Cc: Shannon Kessler
Subject: Equestrian Parking at Grover Beach
Attachments: bbjuly152010

Dear Mr. Buckingham,

I am writing to implore you to fight for 25 parking spaces at the Grover Beach entrance to Pismo Beach. This will barely be enough as it is. As a lifelong equestrian I fully appreciate the blessing it is to have access to the beach with my horse. I frequently enjoy riding on the beach with my 65 yr old mother and my 9 yr old daughter. I have even gotten my husband and father to go along a couple of times.

I am very concerned about the loss of parking that will naturally occur with the construction of the hotel/center. But as a Realtor and the wife of a builder understand the need for income and tax producing properties.

I feel that guaranteeing a minimum of 25 spaces is the best compromise and is only fair to the equestrian community nationwide. You may not have the chance to hear from the many out of area equestrians who use the beach parking. I rode just Tuesday with my friend from Arizona, who hauled all the way out here and boarded her horse to fulfill her lifelong dream of riding on the beach. On that same ride we brought along our Spanish exchange student and she said it will be her best memory of her stay, please see the attached photo.

As a Parks and Recreation Commissioner for the City of Arroyo Grande I understand the challenge you face. Our area is widely recognized as exceptional. Especially for physical pursuits. Please do not compromise this important feature of our beautiful Central Coast.

I would hate to lose or forever impair the beach access for horseback riding enthusiasts.

Please call or email me if you would like more information or someone to refer to as a user of the area.

Thank you for your hard work on our behalf.

Sincerely,

Shannon Kessler

South County Realty

lic. #01405952 cell # 805-710-3512

102 Bridge St.

Arroyo Grande, CA 93420

Mary Reents

From: jkeyes [keymac@ocsnet.net]
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 11:01 AM
To: bbuckingham@groves.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Horse Staging Area Concern

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover beach

c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
San Luis Obispo, California 93401

Reference: Equestrian Staging Area

To Who it May Concern:

My name is John Keyes and I am the Chairman for the California Equestrian Trails and Lands Coalition. <http://www.calequestriancoalition.com/>

CET&LC represents 15 horse organizations, with a combined total membership of over 35,000 horse owners.

CET&LC is very concerned by the move to change the access for horses in your area.

If you remember in the early 1990's State Parks closed Oso Flaco to animals, we were assured equestrians would have access to the beach at the end of Grand Ave in Grover City.

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Fifty parking spaces for trailers, with the room to tie horses on at least one side of the trailer, would be a preferable alternative.

As noted by equestrians at your scoping meetings, the presently suggested eleven parking spaces are not adequate for the needs of the equestrian community.

We hope you will reassess this staging area.

Sincerely,
John Keyes
Chairman: California Equestrian Trails and Lands Coalition

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September 8, 2010

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover Beach
C/o Ms. Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
San Luis Obispo, California 93401

Dear Mr. Buckingham,

The Central Coast of California Arabian Horse Association would like to voice our concerns of the proposed size of the equestrian staging area near the proposed Grover Beach Convention Center. Although members have attended your meetings, we feel, as a body, that we should comment on the access to Pismo Beach off of Grand Avenue. We were pleased to learn of your continued commitment to maintain access in this area, especially in light of other areas that have been lost to our use in the past, and promises made at those closings.

Equestrian access in many areas continues to shrink. This is despite the fact that riders and riding organizations are numerous, and work to maintain current trails, and aid in the acquisition of new land for users of all types. In many cases, promises of easements and trails have not been delivered, as developers have paved over easements, or failed to build promised trails. In this case, the issue is the size of the proposed staging area for horse trailers, and others who are not equestrians but may also decide to use such a parking lot. Many motor vehicles heading to, or exiting the beach, use the current area and will likely continue such practices.

As you have been made aware, our rigs can be fairly large, and on any given day, many riders use the staging area. We also require additional room on the side of the trailers, for tying horses and moving safely around them. The possible reduction of spaces to only eleven, we feel, falls well short of what is needed, especially for busy days or when group rides are staged. Please work to maximize the number of spaces available. The plan for traffic control is yet another issue.

Historically, culturally, and financially, the horse industry is a significant part of our county. Pismo Beach provides a special and unique riding venue that is used by many riders, and should not be lost. True access to this site hinges on this adequate space for parking and staging that we are requesting.

Sincerely,



Pamela Krahl

Trail Riding Chair, Central Coast of California Arabian Horse Association

COMMENTS ON THE GROVER BEACH LODGE EIR
NOTICE OF PREPARATION AND SCOPING MEETING



The following useful comments are addressing these issues:

- Scope and content of the EIR.
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- Methods on how environmental issues are analyzed.
- Potential Alternatives to the project.
- Potential mitigation measures that would avoid or reduce environmental issues.

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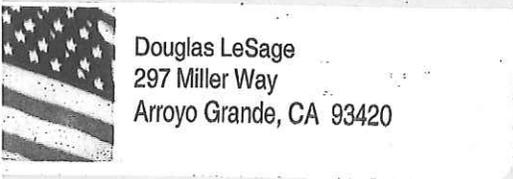
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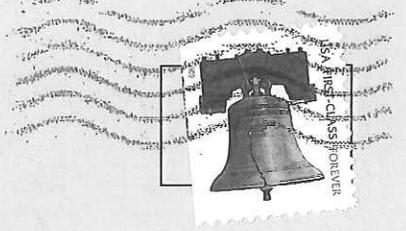
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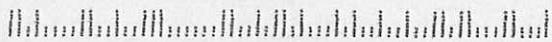
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Mary Reents

From: Corinne Mercardante [poohuaha@hotmail.com]
Sent: Sunday, August 01, 2010 9:59 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: FW: Grover Beach Equestrian Access

Date: Sun, 1 Aug 2010 22:31:56 -0400
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mreents@swca.com

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From: DMurphy81@aol.com
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 10:00 PM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: Horse Staging area at Pismo Beach

I was at the first meeting regarding the proposed staging area for horses @ Pismo Beach. We explained that the present plan would absolutely NOT work the way it was designed. We explained in detail why it wouldn't work and yet it seems to be going forward. I strongly oppose this plan and will urge the many riding groups I belong to in this area to oppose it as it now stands.

Darcy Murphy

Mary Reents

From: Shelly N [naworski@pacbell.net]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 1:01 PM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: grover beach

Dear Friend,

I guess we have never known whom to thank for the Horse Trailer Parking area at Grover Beach. We, horse people, should have been counting ourselves To prove to the powers that be, how often this parking Area has been utilized over the years, even since I was At Cal Poly some near 30 years ago. Traveling over to the beach And stabling now with friends, it has been very nice to count on That staging area to park, saddle and ready for a nice ride on the beach. It would be so frustrating to find another spot as safe and friendly as that spot. I urge the powers that be to please not change it. Thank You for your consideration,

Shelly Stace-Naworski

Bakersfield, CA

PS: I would certainly be willing to spend a small fee to continue the use.

Mary Reents

From: Teresa Pearce [teresainoc@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Monday, July 26, 2010 11:12 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: RE: Pismo Beach limiting the number of horse trailers parking!

To Whom it May Concern,

I was recently relayed some information regarding the proposal to eliminate 14 horse parking spots from Pismo Beach. I travel up to that area several times a year with my horses and know how hard it is to find parking any way. I really enjoy taking my horses out on the beach and enjoying the local restaurants and seafood while I'm up there! It would be such a shame to see you diminish the importance of equestrians visiting your town. If your proposal goes through, you can probably count me out a future visitor to your community!

Thank you,

Teresa Pearce

Orange County Rep for Stephen Young
P: 714-731-4564 F: 714-832-5676
E: teresainoc@sbcglobal.net

From: C Cormack [mailto:cormack1210@yahoo.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 24, 2010 7:42 PM
To: lynn canton; Connie Lynn Bowin; Gay Giannone; chris cormack; Connie Lynn Bowin; Deb Redfern; Doris Karras; Gay Giannone; Julie Mauer; Karen Grecco; Leilani Martin; lynn canton; Marcie Dial; Marla Kingsland; Mary Carlson; MARY JOAN Dial; MaryAnne Turner; Meri Bahidiy; Patrice Christman; Sandra Clark; Sandy Forkert; Sheila Whistler; Stacey Haden; Susie Dakota; Teresa Pearce; Trixi Eithuber
Subject: Pismo Beach limiting the number of horse trailers parking!

Thought you would want to know, Pismo Beach is trying to limit the number of horse trailers that can park on their city beach lot. Whenever horse attendees are being eliminated, it starts by slowly reducing the number of places we can park our vehicles. If you do not like this idea, please voice your opinion by letting the Pismo Beach City know that we are here and we are not going away! Send an email to the following to let them know your disagreement with this new proposal to limit the 25 spaces to only 11.

bbuckingham@grover.org

mreents@swca.com

Most kind regards,
Chris Cormack

----- Forwarded Message -----

From: "SoCalGaitedRiders@yahoo.com" <SoCalGaitedRiders@yahoo.com>
To: SoCalGaitedRiders@yahoo.com
Sent: Tue, July 20, 2010 2:16:11 AM
Subject: [SoCalGaitedRiders] Digest Number 2494

Southern CA Gaited Horse Riders

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Re: MAJOR ALERT re: Pismo Beach Area From: Dalynn Zampino

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Re: MAJOR ALERT re: Pismo Beach Area

Posted by: "Dalynn Zampino" dalynnz@hotmail.com [dalynnz](#)

Mon Jul 19, 2010 11:41 am (PDT)

Hi!

SO SORRY TO BOTHER YOU WITH THIS.....HOWEVER.what happens in each horse community ALWAYS comes home to roost with all of us....we MUST STICK TOGETHER and support ALL horse areas in the entire state!

please read below and pass it on to other horse groups....PISMO BEACH has always been a very special place for horses...
let's not lose it!

thanks....send a letter/email PLEASE! now you know why that EQUESTRIAN BILL OF RIGHTS we are working on is so VIP!!!!

Begin forwarded message:

From: Becky

Subject: FW: Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

This effects all equestrians! Write a letter, make a phone call! When trail access gets limited or closed, no matter where it is, it effects all of us!

Becky

From: ljclarke <<mailto:ljclarke@thegrid.net>>

Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 1:02 PM

Subject: Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

Please feel free to pass this on to your area horse groups.

DO Your Own e-mail or letter - we MUST keep enough parking to enjoy the beach on horseback with our groups or individually!

The E-mail addresses regarding beach parking are as follows

bbuckingham@grover.org

mreents@swca.com

The letter below was sent out to horse organizations locally. The letter they sent to Grover Beach is below that. You can write your own or cut and paste plus add your own comments. Please send something!

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Mary Reents

From: Elizabeth Rennie [buffyr63@ix.netcom.com]
Sent: Saturday, July 31, 2010 8:51 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

Although I am not a resident of Grover Beach, my husband and myself often ride our horses in the area. Since there are limited places to ride our horses on the beach, we really are thankful that Pismo, Grover Beach and Oceano have kept that available to us and other equestrians.

We have heard through the grapevine that there is a proposed hotel/convention center to be built in the area where we equestrians park our trailers to have this awesome beach access. Please consider the facts that there is a need for more than the 25 spaces in the current proposal. At least 50 spaces with room for the horses to be tied on the side of the trailer would be better.

Thank you for listening.

Elizabeth Rennie 661/269-0174

Carole D. Brown
P O Box 957
NIPOMO, CALIFORNIA 93444

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Carole Brown

Ride Nipomo member
Horse owner
State Park user
Law abiding, tax paying citizen

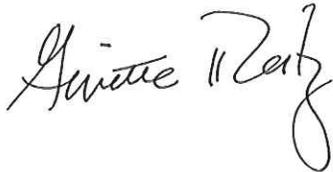
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We have been promised 25 spaces. Anything less than that is unacceptable.

Ginette Reitz,
1450 5th st., Los Osos, CA

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Ginette Reitz". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned below the typed name and address.

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Sincerely,



Marshal D. Klein

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RIDE NIPOMO EQUESTRIAN TRAILS ALLIANCE, INC.

P. O. BOX 1738

NIPOMO, CALIFORNIA 93444

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William and Nancy Shipley

1270 Camino Caballo

Nipomo, CA 93444

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I moved here two years ago and selected this area because of it is one of the few areas in the state of California that considers nature and accommodates both people and animals. This is what makes the Central coast special. Please do not reverse and become just another city on a beach and ruin what makes this area so unique and desirable.

Sincerely,



Sharon Lee Ashworth

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NOTICE OF PREPARATION AND SCOPING MEETING



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Comments:

THE PROPOSED EQUESTRIAN PARKING AREA IS
PROBABLY ONE THIRD THE SIZE OF THE EXISTING
AREA - THIS IS NOT WORKABLE.

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Comments:

- Add the Equestrian issue for its own EIR Bullet
- adding boarding facility - overnight - Revenue
- moving the staging area to the Ranger Station Park.
- Size of new parking equal to the current parking
- Don't provide water troughs - make people use the own buckets
- Concern if they do not allow parking across the street due to endanger species, what is the back up plan

Prevents disease

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Comments:

Build 2 story parking structure for hotel guests
Relocate Equestrian parking to proposed parking or
further south on Hwy 1

organize summary section for Equestrian parking

Need more Equestrian parking (wider SPACES)
DO NOT NEED Hitching posts, people tie ~~horse~~ horse to their
TRAILERS

State land Behind Pier Ave Liquor Store for Equestrian
parking

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Comments:

My concerns regard the equestrian area.

1.) Equestrian parking area is well-located, but a bit small. I like the pull-in aspect.

2.) I hope the surface is dirt or compacted decomposed granite

3.) Will the Equestrian Area be done first, at the beginning of project, so that Equestrian use is not impacted?

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Comments:

Larger Equestrian parking area to accommodate 47' horse trailers
more Equestrian spaces, wider spaces to allow tying horse to side
of trailer. Double length of staging area and move to Hwy 1 side.
On Dune Trail head, Equestrians are SB375. Use proposed Equestrian
staging area for RV rig to reduce them in their tires. Add left turn
lanes for RV staging area and Equestrian Staging Area. Dump
station needs to be located far away from Equestrian rig.
Downsize your development. 2 story hotel parking. EIR needs
Horse and its own section. Segregate report. Need dimensions
Add a Bus Stop somewhere close.
No Palm trees - please - 1 one pine instead, or something else.

NAME:

Deak Ridd

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Comments:

Reservations For use of equation area
for space, safety and
No trailer larger than 4
horse trailer * the larger trailers
do not allow space for smaller
trailers. My apology to comments
made from Horse People. I am
in agreement with your plan and
wish the best of the beach!

NAME: LISA FISKE
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Comments:

Area should be DG or DIRT ?
Will it be first thing built or the last.

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Comments:

IRIDE ON THE BEACH SEVERAL TIMES A MONTH.
IS THERE GOING TO BE TRAILS IN FRONT OF THE
HOTEL/CONFERENCE BLDG. SIMILAR TO WHERE
THERE ARE NOW.

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B. VERLENGIERE

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- 2) My 13-year-old son wonders what will be done to do sand clean up in the street @ West Grand, as it will be a bigger problem w/more traffic
- 3) I always want to be sure the disabled parking is truly accessible - so important because it's beach access.

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Mary Reents

From: Julie Steiner [juliaste@sbcglobal.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 7:52 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Horse staging area Grover Beach

July 15, 2010

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover beach
c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
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Reference: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

I have been using the Grand Ave parking area for 19 years to access the beach by horse. At first, we parked right in the paved parking lot, but that soon got too crowded for safe handling of horses. Next, the move was made to the dirt lot next to the pavement, and now that has also become overpopulated at times by horse trailers and other over sized trucks and trailers that are too large to park in the lot.

I hope you will see your way to continue the original plan to provide the 25 spaces (just for horse vehicles). There are many days when 11 spaces would be unable to provide sufficient room for visiting horse enthusiasts.

As our community grows and development, it is important to continue maintaining this area's unique concern and investment in a horse friendly environment.

Thank you,
Julie Steiner
Retired Teacher/ Ride Nipomo Member

July 21, 2010

Mr. Bruce Buckingham
City of Grover Beach
c/o Mary Reents
SWCA Environmental Consultants
1422 Monterey Street, Suite C200
San Luis Obispo, CA 93401

Dear Mr. Buckingham:

Subject: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center – Trailer Parking Spaces

With so many equestrians delighted by the use of this beach parking dirt lot at the end of Grand Avenue in Grover City, it is with dismay that less than 25 parking spaces is now being proposed to allow for horse trailers. We realize that double that amount utilizes this area to bring their horses to. We are grateful that State Parks also placed a hitching post for the horses. Reducing the amount to only 11 parking spaces is very very disappointing for our recreational riders.

I would like to respectfully request that the 25 parking spaces, if not more, be placed as promised in the scoping meetings. Room to tie your horse to your trailer is also required for saddling up purposes.

At recent scoping meetings, again the parking allocation of only 11 spaces is very disappointing and does not allow for as much recreational uses for people to ride and walk their horses.

Please, please allow the 25 or so parking spaces for the horse community. We are so very grateful for this amenity and beautiful area to allow us to ride our horses.

Sincerely,

Sherrie Stolarik
25241 West Carson Way
Stevenson Ranch,

Equestrian Trails, Inc.

Mary Reents

From: Andrea Taylor [andreatk@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 5:06 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Reference: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

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City of Grover beach
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Sincerely,

Andrea Taylor
Member: Ride Nipomo
Horse Emergency Evacuation Team
San Luis Obispo Coastal Mounted Association

Mary Reents

From: Robert R. Taylor [rrtranch@netzero.net]
Sent: Saturday, July 17, 2010 7:55 AM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: Reference: Equestrian Staging Area Convention Center

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From: CYNTHIA TIPPETT [clt969@verizon.net]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 1:21 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org
Cc: Mary Reents
Subject: BEACH ACCESS AT THE END OF GRAND AVE IN GROVER CITY

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Sincerely,

Cynthia Tippet
Montecito, CA

Ann Washington
Curly Horse Ranch
1617 Aliso Ave
Costa Mesa, CA 92627

July 20, 2010

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Curliest Regards,
Ann Washington

Mary Reents

From: Victoria Wells [yenbad@hotmail.com]
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 1:32 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: DO NOT CUT DOWN EQUESTRIAN PARKING SPACES AT GROVER BEACH!

July 14, 2010

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Hans R. Hansson

Vicki Wells

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7/19/2010

Mary Reents

From: jdwright@aol.com
Sent: Wednesday, July 21, 2010 10:28 AM
To: Mary Reents
Subject: Re: [ETI_C20] Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

Thanks. Both addresses have a space in unusual places on the original email. Needed to verify before forwarding.
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Kimberly Dwight www.PalmdaleBoarding.com
Equestrian Trails, Inc. www.ETInational.com editor ETI-magazine@ETInational.com
We have a new ETI Corral 138 the Barrel Springs Riders in the Antelope Valley www.corral138.bravehost.com/
is our web site. We also communicate through <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/barrelspringsriders/>
Our daughter Sergeant Courtney Dwight Degarmo and hubby Sgt. Chris Degarmo just bought a house in North Carolina where they'll be stationed permanently.

-----Original Message-----

From: Mary Reents <mreents@swca.com>
To: jdwright <jdwright@aol.com>
Sent: Wed, Jul 21, 2010 10:09 am
Subject: RE: [ETI_C20] Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

Both are correct if your comments relate to the Grover Beach Lodge project at West Grand Avenue in Grover Beach.

Mary Reents

From: jdwright@aol.com [<mailto:jdwright@aol.com>]
Sent: Tue 7/20/2010 8:00 PM
To: bbuckingham@grover.org; Mary Reents
Subject: Fwd: [ETI_C20] Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

just trying to verify the email address before I forward. Neither look correct.

bbuckingham@grover.org , mreents@swca.com

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is our web site. We also communicate through <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/barrelspringsriders/>
Our daughter Sergeant Courtney Dwight Degarmo and hubby Sgt. Chris Degarmo just bought a house in North Carolina where they'll be stationed permanently.

-----Original Message-----

From: Stephanie Abronson <stephanie@abronson.com>
To: Al Schlom <al_schlom@wellsfargois.com>; American Horse Council (American Horse Council) <AHC@horsecouncil.org>; Calabasas Saddlery <jlindberg@calabasassaddlery.com>; California Equine Podiatry Center <cepc.farrier@gmail.com>; Equestrian Land Conservation Resource <info@elcr.org>; Equestrian News <nancy@theequestriannews.com>; Equestrian Trails Magazine <ETI-magazine@ETInational.com>; Equestrian Trails, Inc. <ETI@ETInational.com>
Cc: Boots and Saddles Club <veronica@bootsandsaddlesclub.com>; California Riding Magazine <info@ridingmagazine.com>; California State Horsemens Assoc. <csha@psnw.com>; info <info@europeanequestrian.com>; Horse Industry Alliance <plcolbert@aol.com>; Hollywood Dolls Horse Club <hollywooddollshorseclub@gmail.com>; Interscholastic Equestrian League <IELNancyG@aol.com>

Sent: Tue, Jul 20, 2010 7:29 pm
Subject: FW: [ETI_C20] Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy

Time to write letters. YOUR letter is important! You can follow how this message reached me, and why I am forwarding it to you.

--Stephanie Abronson

From: sheila mears [<mailto:mearsranch@yahoo.com>]
Sent: Monday, July 19, 2010 9:30 AM

--- On Sun, 7/18/10, Rebecca Borquez <beckywild1@yahoo.com> wrote:

From: Rebecca Borquez <beckywild1@yahoo.com>
Subject: [ETI_C20] Pismo Beach Horse Beach staging area in jeopardy
To: ETI_C20@yahoogroups.com
Date: Sunday, July 18, 2010, 9:37 PM

This effects all equestrians! Write a letter, make a phone call! When trail access gets limited or closed, no matter where it is, it effects all of us!

Becky

From: ljclarke <<mailto:ljclarke@thegrid.net>>
Sent: Thursday, July 15, 2010 1:02 PM

Please feel free to pass this on to your area horse groups.

DO Your Own e-mail or letter - we MUST keep enough parking to enjoy the beach on horseback with our groups or individually!

The E-mail addresses regarding beach parking are as follows

bbuckingham@grover.org

mreents@swca.com

The letter below was sent out to horse organizations locally. The letter they sent to Grover Beach is below that. You can write your own or cut and paste plus add your own comments. Please send something!

IT IS TIME TO BAND THE EQUESTRIAN COMMUNITY TOGETHER.

THIS ISSUE WILL EFFECT ALL EQUESTRIANS IN SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY -- AS WELL AS SANTA BARBARA , VENTURA, ETC.

PROMISES WERE MADE -- NOW INSTEAD OF 25 PARKING SPACES FOR HORSE TRUCKS AND TRAILERS, THEY WANT TO CUT TO 11 -- THIS WILL MOST DEFINITELY SET A PRECEDENT. WHETHER YOU RIDE THE BEACH FROM GROVER BEACH OR NOT -- THIS IS NOT IMPORTANT. WHAT IS IMPORTANT IS THAT WE STICK TOGETHER WITH A COMMON GOAL. DO NOT LET US DOWN. PLEASE CONTACT ALL THE HORSE GROUPS,

STABLES, HORSE BUSINESSES, YOU KNOW, AND ASK THEM TO WRITE EITHER THEIR OWN LETTER OR COPY/PASTE OURS -- TIME IS OF THE ESSENCE. LET'S SHOW THAT EQUESTRIANS DO CARE ENOUGH TO BAND TOGETHER.

UNITED WE STAND DIVIDED WE FALL

HANS HANSSON
PRESIDENT OF RIDE NIPOMO

July 14, 2010

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