

TO: Los Alamos County Parks and Recreation Board

FROM: Members of the Equine and Livestock Working Group

RE: August 2024 Progress Report to PRB on Tasks

### Progress on Assigned Tasks

- ❖ 1: Recruitment of new members:
  - Members returning from the former ELAS
    - ◆ Cathy Miller, Donna Hayden, Dianne Wilburn, Jerry Cowan (PRB Liaison)
  - Members declining to continue
    - ◆ Nancy Ambrosiano
  - New Members
    - ◆ Lisa Reader, Wendy Burke-Ryan, Laura Cox (resource person)
  - Recruitment has been a bit challenging as there is not yet a formal framework published, so potential volunteers are not as willing to commit until they know what the job entails.
- ❖ 2: Review of County Publications and Information including website
  - As individuals, members completed and submitted comment and recommendations to PRB and to Council on the revisions to the Boards and Commissions Handbook (see attached)
  - Began review of information on the County Website
    - Challenges include compiling the information in a format that all can access and edit. Wendy has managed to get this going.
    - Members have begun markups on paper copies
- ❖ 3: Review of Rules governing all the arenas
  - Not yet formally begun –
- ❖ 4: Other:
  - Members have assisted with the Baling Twine Working Group.
  - Members attended the presentation on the grandstand improvements
  - Members attended the listening sessions on the BMX track
  - Members attended the Trails and Open Space listening sessions
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❖ 5: Request:

➤ Triage. We actually would like to request that this be added as an assigned task. The working group needs to be nimble and flexible so as to be able to respond to issues as they arise rather than waiting for a task to “be assigned”. While we know that we can provide input as individuals, we would like to be able to provide input as a cohesive group. Some recent examples are:

- There were issues with the County Horse Show scheduling over the top of an already scheduled and facility rental by a non-profit. Policy 1735 needs to be amended.
- There are issues with the proposed grandstand improvements, and land use conflicts between the BMX proposal and the grandstand proposal. Staff needs to coordinate between their hired consultants
- There are issues with the Trails and Open Space Master plan.

❖ ELWG is working hard – we hope to have drafts of our suggestions on the County Publications in the next few months.

❖ Thank you for your continued support of bubble up grass roots community involvement!