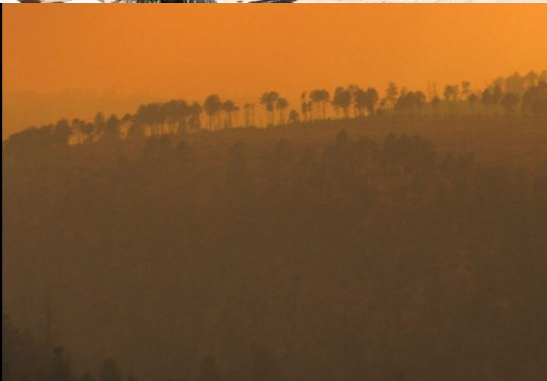


# Madeleine Carey

(who I am, why you should care and what is Pony Club??)



## Stable /Farm Design and Management Plan

*Present and discuss detailed outline (hard copy)*

- Type of facility
- Drawing of facility
- Floor plan w/dimensions
- Construction materials:
  - Flooring
  - Fencing, gates, doors
  - Footing
- Schedules
  - Daily
  - Farrier
  - Inoculations
  - Dental
- Manure management
- Pasture management
- Parasite management
- Poisonous plants
- Emergency plan
- Seasonal differences



**AFTER WILDFIRE**  
A GUIDE FOR NEW MEXICO COMMUNITIES

# Outline

- Learning from Las Conchas
- Evacuate, Shelter in Place, or Turn Out?
- Keeping your horse ready
- Keeping your rig ready
- Questions for your community to consider, however you define that to think about

# Learning from Las Conchas

- The importance of Cerro Grande and the intervening 11 years
- Timeline
  - Ignition 1 PM, June 26th (Sunday)
  - Decision to begin equine evacuation made within 6 hours, roughly coinciding with voluntary evacuation order
  - By the time mandatory evacuation of Los Alamos was ordered, equine evacuation was well on its way to being complete
  - Last horses moved off North Mesa Monday evening, June 27th
- What worked?
- What didn't?



Evacuate, Shelter In Place or Turn Out?



# Evacuate, Shelter In Place or Turn Out?



1. **Evacuate early**
2. **Evacuate early**
3. **Evacuate early**



# How to prepare your horse for wildfire evacuation

- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
  - [Hauling papers/brand inspection/brand card](#)
  - Bill of Sale
  - Breed/Association registrations
  - Proof of Insurance
  - Microchip documentation
  - Health certificate, vaccine records and Coggins
  - [Stall card](#) or record book with feeding and care instructions, vet and farrier contacts, emergency contacts if you cannot be reached
- Training
- Food, Water, Medications
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment
- First Aid and Utility Kit



# How to prepare your horse for wildfire evacuation

- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
- Training (practice, practice, PRACTICE)
  - Halter broke and easily caught
  - Safely loads in step-up, ramp, straight and slant load trailers
    - Lets others load them
  - Ties
  - Leads in a group, from a vehicle, and can be ponied
- Food, Water, Medications
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment
- First Aid and Utility Kit



# How to prepare your horse for wildfire evacuation

- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
- Training (practice, practice, PRACTICE)
- Food, Water, Medications (deploy a non-horsey volunteer)
  - Enough hay and grain for >3 days
  - Any medications including needles and syringes
  - As much extra as you have time to safely load
  - Water buckets (2x 5 gallon)
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment
- First Aid and Utility Kit



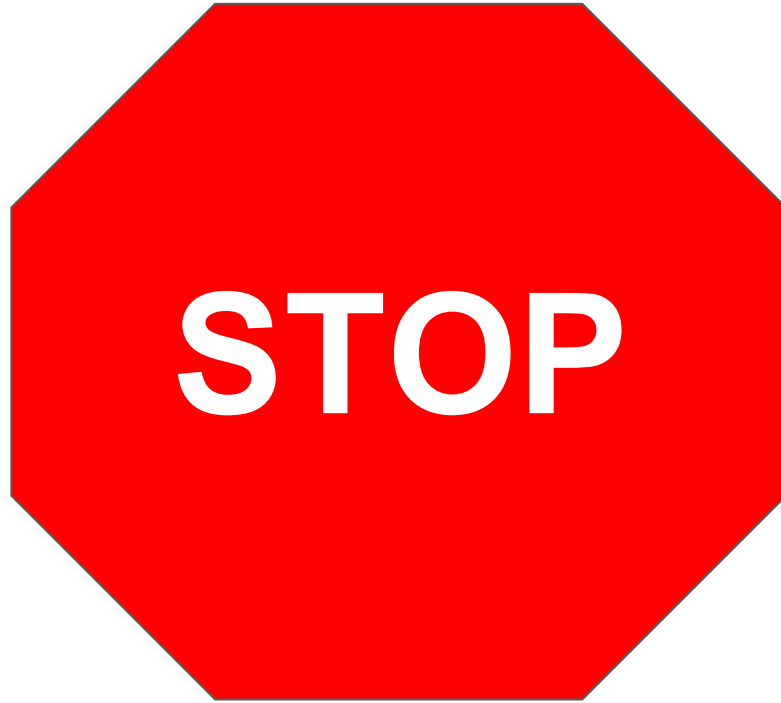
# How to prepare your horse for wildfire evacuation

- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
- Training (practice, practice, PRACTICE)
- Food, Water, Medications (deploy a non-horsey volunteer)
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment (acquire extras that live in the trailer)
  - Leather or cotton halters and leads (nylon melts!)
  - Stud chain, twitch, long line, whip(s)
  - Helmet, body protector, leather gloves and closed toed shoes for humans
  - Fast-acting IV Sedative
- First Aid and Utility Kit

# How to prepare your horse for wildfire evacuation

- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
- Training (practice, practice, PRACTICE)
- Food, Water, Medications (deploy a non-horsey volunteer)
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment (acquire extras that live in the trailer)
- First Aid and Utility Kit (the cavalry isn't coming)
  - [USPC Safety Handbook](#)
  - First aid kit
    - Equine and human
    - Cottons or nobows and standing wraps or polos to [control bleeding](#)
    - Antibiotic and fly control products
    - DRUGS (Xylazine, Acepromazine, Banamine, Dexamethasone)
  - Utility kit
    - Duct tape
    - Knife
    - Headlamp
    - Zip Ties
    - Caution tape

MOST IMPORTANT SLIDE OF PRESENTATION AHEAD



**CLOSE THE BACK BEFORE YOU TIE! UNTIE BEFORE  
YOU OPEN**



# Truck and Trailer

- [USPC Trailer Safety Checklist](#)
- **Truck**
  - Registered and insured
  - Rated to haul fully loaded trailer
    - Don't pull a 6 horse with a Ranger!
  - Safe and secure hitch
    - Always check your cotter pin!
  - Fluids, tire pressure, electrical
- **Trailer**
  - Registered
  - Hitch, chains, brakes, lights
  - Floor
  - Tires (2 spares)
- **Can hitch, back, drive, park and otherwise maneuver your rig?**
  - Can you hitch, back, drive, park and otherwise maneuver your neighbor's rig?
  - Can you say no?



# A few things to consider. . .

- Do you have enough trailer spaces for every horse on your property?
  - If no, what is your solution to this problem?
    - Evacuate extra extra early so you can make multiple trips?
    - Phone a friend?
    - Which horses do you take first?
    - Where do you leave horses in case you can't make it back?
- If you go out of town during fire season, leave your rig gassed up, hitched up and ready to go!
  - Leave keys somewhere safe and accessible
  - Especially if you are at a boarding facility
- If you have to evacuate yourself and your horses from the same fire, how will you manage that?
  - EVACUATE EARLY  
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# Community

- What resources do you have?
- What neighborhoods and properties are most at risk?
  - What are egress concerns?
- Where are you going to put all the horses (and other animals)?
- How are you going to care for evacuated horses?
  - [Guidelines for treating horses exposed to wildfire smoke](#)