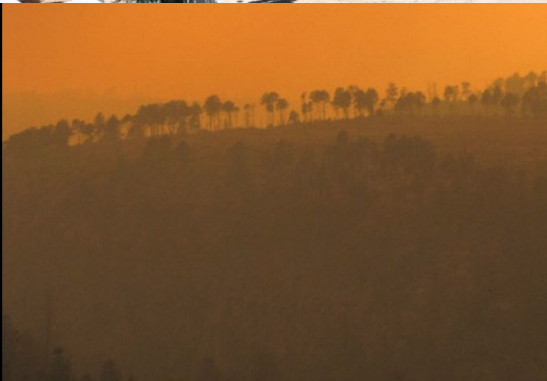


# Madeleine Carey

(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 (and Cerro Grande and Cerro Pelado and HP/CC)
- Evacuate, Shelter in Place, or Turn Out?
- Keeping your horse ready
- Keeping your rig ready
- Questions for your community to consider
- Considerations for other species

# Learning from Las Conchas

- Community memory
- 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

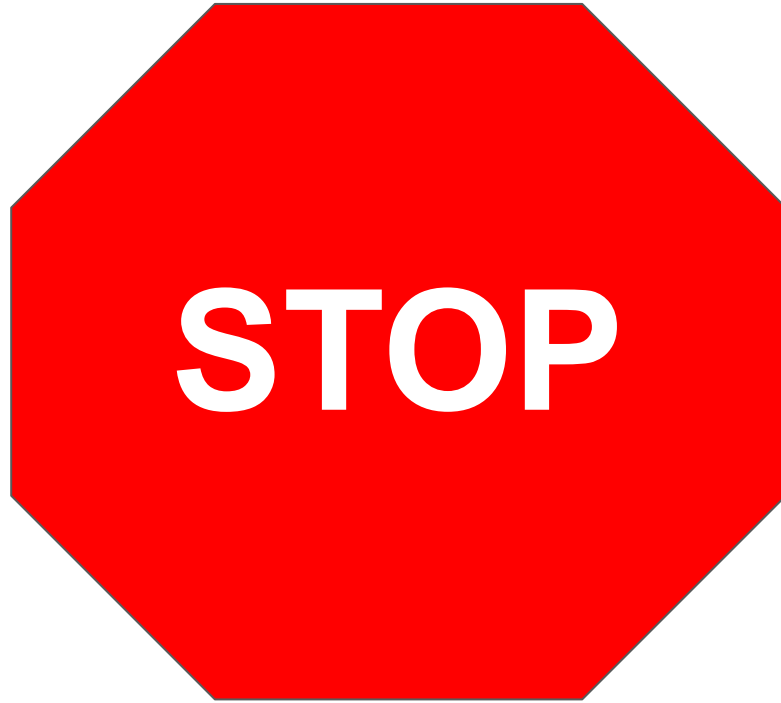
- Paperwork (2x hard copy + digital)
- Training (practice, practice, PRACTICE)
- Food, Water, Medications (deploy a non-horsey volunteer)
- Halter, leads, and safety equipment (acquire extras that live in the trailer)
  - Leather or cotton halters and leads (nylon melts!)
  - Stud chain, twitch, long line, whip(s)
  - Helmet, body protector, leather gloves and closed toed shoes for humans
  - [Fast-acting IV Sedative](#) (Rompun, or something else that is safe both IV and IM)
- 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 you go out of town during fire season, leave your rig gassed up, hitched up and ready to go!
- If you have to evacuate yourself and your horses from the same fire, how will you manage that?



# Community

- What resources do you have?
  - People and places
- What neighborhoods and properties are most at risk?
  - What are egress concerns?
- Where are you going to put all the horses (and other animals)?
  - Adequate fencing + feeding
  - Do you need to manage for infectious disease like HPAI, RHD, EHV, VS?
    - Who are the decision-makers for this (NMLB, NMDGF, NMBVM)?
- How are you going to care for evacuated horses?
  - [Guidelines for treating horses exposed to wildfire smoke](#)

# Ideas for trainings and community days

EMT/fire and Veterinarian knowledge exchange

Trailer hitching, backing, driving and loading

ICS and radio training for community members

Fire crew visit to farms, ranches, boarding facilities

County Fairground Spring Cleaning

Annual update of key contacts statewide

Have the conversation

Questions?

