

TO: CORY HUNT, GOVERNOR SANDOVAL'S OFFICE

SUPPORT THE COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT

Affecting the wild and free roaming horses of the Virginia Range

My name is _____. I am a resident of _____, a wild horse admirer and have lived in this area for _____ years, enjoying the gift that is the wild horses of the Virginia Range.

I would like to encourage you, Cory Hunt, to declare support for the signing and the implementation of the Cooperative Agreement to humanely manage the historic wild horses of the Virginia Range that is currently before the Nevada Department of Agriculture and your office.

As you know, the Cooperative Agreement will allow local area non-profit organizations to play a significant role in the overall management of the historic wild horses of the Virginia Range. The agreement promotes and implements measures to increase public safety as well as the protection of our wild horses.

The Cooperative Agreement includes a comprehensive fertility control program that will help Cooperators reach a healthy and sustainable horse population on the range over time, provide authorization for diversionary feeding to keep the horses safe and on the range during winter months and severe drought conditions, allow at risk horses to be relocated to predetermined safe areas on the range instead of being permanently removed from the range, encourages the advancement of additional fencing and other measures designed to keep the horses off of roadways, and encourages general on the range management to track, document, and provide care for the horses as needed.

Funding in support of this desperately needed fertility control program is currently at risk. If the agreement is not signed soon, Cooperators stand to lose in excess of \$45,000 from organizations such as the Humane Society of the United States. Organizations like this have been prepared to assist with this project – let's not lose another opportunity to make a difference in our community and for our wild horses.

This is a win-win-win agreement and should be signed at the earliest opportunity. This agreement is urgently needed. Most of all, it promotes public safety. I would like to thank you for your time and consideration of this request to take action now.

Respectfully submitted,

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