

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I am writing in regards to the proposed ordinances that would restrict the use of proper rodeo equipment. I understand the Los Angeles city council has submitted these changes in concern for the animals welfare. I want to say that as a lifelong equestrian and someone who practices live stock husbandry that our animals are our lives. When you own stock animals your days are long. They often receive far better care than we give ourselves. The first lessons we teach our children is that the animals eat before we do. If it's raining go out and see to their comfort. If they are United secure the proper veterinary care. Not only are our animals our economic livelihood which by endangering or damaging we would be inflicting wounds on our own success and lives. But more importantly we love the animals we spend our days, our lives with. By restricting some of these proposed implements or practices we begin the slippery slope of degrading a lifestyle that the americas, and particularly the west was founded on. If you speak to the professionals in the bovine or equine industry you will find almost everyone you f them vehemently oppose the abuse, injury, or forced coercion of animals of any kind. Just as a border collie loves to herd cattle so too do our bucking stock love to buck, our barrel horses love to run.