

Communication from Public

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Comments for Public Posting: I think that banning rodeo in Los Angeles would be a huge mistake. Rodeo represents native culture that is rapidly disappearing here. Rodeo is also a space for children to learn about their heritage and about ranching which is a valuable life skill. I come from a long line of immigrant farmers myself and I am proud of my roots. Removing rodeo is the removal of a family and cultural institution. Cowboys are good to their horses, but you know who is abusive to horses? The entire horse racing industry. I worked at Del Mar racetrack the year when around 20 horses died because of faulty track conditions in 2006 I believe, with many more casualties over the years. 200-400 die a year in California yet you focus on rodeo where incidents are significantly lower.