



STUDY GOAL

Achieve enduring land use compatibility that supports both a healthy equine industry and the property rights of all Larimer County citizens.

TRANSITION PROGRAM

Larimer County is motivated to conduct this study because of the following factors.

- ⊙ Appreciation of our agricultural heritage
- ⊙ Magnitude and economic contribution of the horse industry
- ⊙ Awareness of number of unapproved facilities
- ⊙ Multiple complaints about facilities in operation without proper approvals

Some of the challenges of revising the current regulations are:

- ⊙ Transitioning between the old and the new regulations
- ⊙ Developing satisfactory outcomes and being fair with established businesses
- ⊙ Achieving fairness between those businesses that are currently permitted and those that are not currently permitted

The County recognizes the current permitting process is not consistently followed.

When thinking about how to transition between the existing regulations and any new regulations, we need your ideas.

If new regulations are adopted, the County is considering setting up a special program for a limited time period during which **existing** businesses would be able to document their activities and become recognized.

This limited-time program is referred to here as the transition program.

The transition program could offer existing businesses incentives to become recognized.

In considering a transition program, input is needed from you.

- ⊙ Do you support a transition program for existing businesses — meaning should the County offer special opportunities for a limited time to encourage existing businesses to become recognized?
- ⊙ What is important to include in the transition program — for example items such as reduced costs, shortened review processing time, limiting review to selected topics, etcetera?
- ⊙ If the County adopts new regulations and a transition program, how can we best communicate with the horse community about these?