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Re: 31282 E Paint Mine, Saving the Wild American Burro  
Parcel No: 1200000378

We have received your letter regarding the property located at 31282 E Paint Mine Road. You are correct in that animal keeping and a hobby farm are allowed uses within the A-35 (Agricultural) zoning district; however, the uses that are occurring onsite are not limited to animal keeping or a hobby farm. The property owner has informed us of events that occur onsite. These events are detailed and are included on her Facebook page "Saving the Wild American Burro." Events, such as these, are not customarily incidental to animal keeping or a hobby farm. Based upon what we know of the activities/events occurring onsite, her use may be classified more appropriately as either agritainment or an animal refuge. Agritainment is an allowed use within her zoning district with a site development plan.

Please feel free to contact me regarding making application for either a site development plan to allow for agritainment or a special use to allow for an animal refuge.

Thank you,

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