

Board of Supervisors

Meeting Time: 05-21-25 09:00

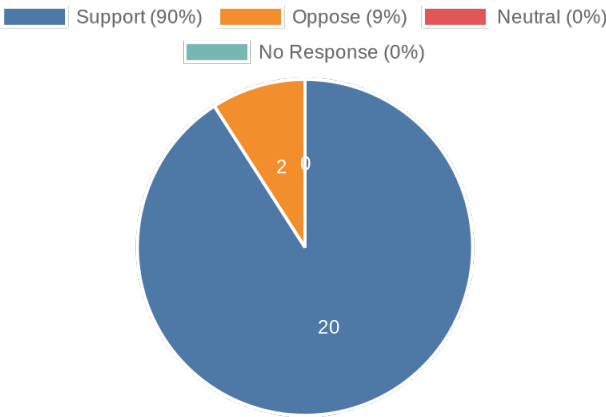
eComments Report

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Board of Supervisors	05-21-25 09:00	17	22	20	2	0

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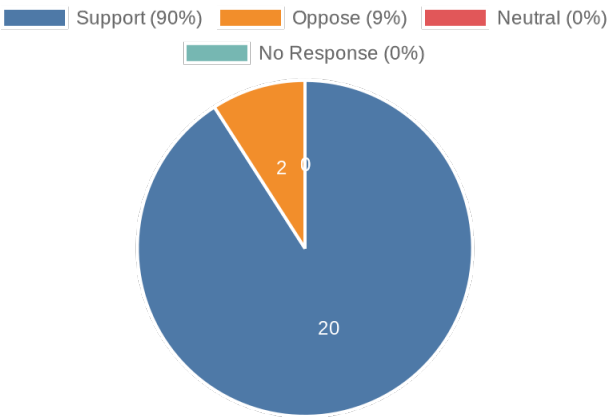


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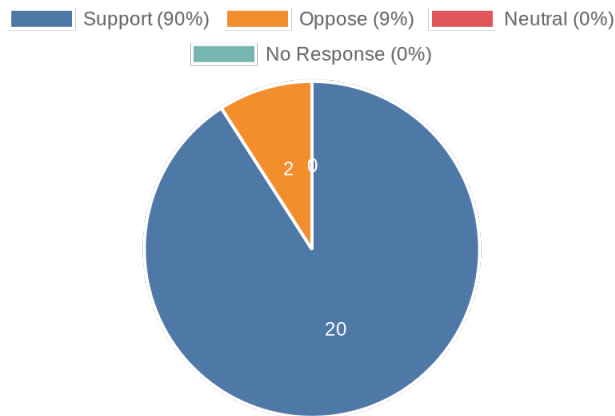
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Andy Larsen

Location: 92062, Poway
Submitted At: 9:37am 05-21-25

Public lands need to be opened for cattle grazing as it is brush management that does not cost tax payers like out of control wild fires do. I support the use of these lands for said purpose and it also supports the working local family ranch small business.

Corinne Larsen

Location: 92040, Lakeside
Submitted At: 8:04am 05-21-25

I support cattle grazing by local ranchers in our backcountry because of the benefit which reduces the risk of wildfires and maintains the natural environment.

Peter Larsen

Location: 92040, Lakeside
Submitted At: 7:42am 05-21-25

I support sustainable cattle grazing in San Diego County on public lands to be managed by local ranchers. We need to support their commitment for protecting the environment that benefits everyone.

Frank Ohrmund

Location:
Submitted At: 7:36am 05-21-25

Grazing would be a wonderful tool to limit wildfire dangers. I live on the eastern edge of Chula Vista and remember when a cattle rancher named Jerry used to run cattle all over Otay Ranch. Wildfires in this area were never as severe until that activity stopped in the early 2000's. The same activity occurred on Rancho Jamul. After building my home on the edge of city/open space line, I experienced massive wildfires in 2004 and 2007 and then just recently with the Border Fire. All of these fires occurred after all grazing activities ceased in these areas. After seasonal rains, the grasses (mostly non-native) get to be 3 to 5 feet tall in some areas and this

creates an incredible fire hazard. Grazing would keep tall grasslands from forming. I personally felt the need to purchase three goats to manage the growth on my hillside to lessen fire risks. This is a great idea!

Jim Davis

Location: 92070, Santa Ysabel
Submitted At: 5:29am 05-21-25

I am a cattle rancher in the Santa Ysabel area and use prescribed grazing to improve the land and to reduce the fuel supply for potential fires.

Katie Ostrander

Location: 92086, Warner Springs
Submitted At: 5:25am 05-21-25

Grazing in the backcountry significantly reduces the risk from wildfires and soil run off damage for all San Diegans.

Eric webb

Location: 92065, ramona
Submitted At: 4:59am 05-21-25

I support sustainable cattle grazing in sandiego county. A land owner should not have to go through a deposit based permit process to obtain a (Brush clearing permit) to run cattle or plant a crops on a piece of property when zoned specifically for agriculture use. I ask for you support.

branden vriens

Location: 91935, jamul
Submitted At: 4:47am 05-21-25

I support sustainable cattle grazing. Grasslands pull more carbon put of the atmosphere than old growth forests. Clearing old chaparal would open up more habitat for native deer populations and allow new grasses to over take. Cattle would keep the grasses healthy and growing while limiting the return of broadleafs to the area.

Gabe Larsen

Location: 91906, Campo
Submitted At: 9:48pm 05-20-25

Larsen Cattle supports range land grazing on public lands to be managed by local ranchers. With the approval of this agenda, ranchers will have the opportunity to uphold their strong reputation for taking the initiative to care for and nurture the public lands. Government Agencies need to depend on ranchers for grazing and proper management of range land.

Sarah Kelly

Location: 92036, JULIAN
Submitted At: 8:43pm 05-20-25

I support sustainable cattle grazing in San Diego County

Karen Feigel

Location: 92070, Santa ysabel
Submitted At: 5:46pm 05-20-25

Cows are not tractors and grazing should not be lumped in with grading permits. Grazing can benefit soils and the terrain. Ranchers have enough permits and considerations. Ranchers dont need more regulation.

Dan Silver

Location:
Submitted At: 2:17pm 05-20-25

Endangered Habitats League supports if amended. While we recognize the benefits of well-managed grazing, the program should be modified so as not to predetermine particular regulatory outcomes, to recognize that best management practices will be needed, and to include retaining a qualified rangeland consultant and input from UC Agricultural Extension. Detailed written comments have been submitted.

Glenn Drown

Location: 92065, Ramona
Submitted At: 12:36pm 05-20-25

The San Diego-Imperial County Cattleman's Association supports the recommendation that the CAO to provide options to Grading, Clearing and Watercourse Ordinance to facilitate grazing on historically grazed lands that have been fallow more than 5 years. The benefits grazing can provide has been well documented on the Rancho Jamul Ecological Reserve as well as on the County's own Open Space Preserves where grazing is an ongoing part of the management plan. Additionally the wildfire mitigation/suppression benefit of cattle grazing on large landscapes is well documented.

Being required to acquire a grading permit for fallowed lands that have been historically grazed is an unreasonable and time consuming burden that delays or disallows grazing at the most beneficial times.

We ask your support of this proposed item.

Thank you,

Glenn Drown, president SDICCA

Jeremy Walker

Location: 91962, Pine Valley
Submitted At: 12:30pm 05-20-25

I fully support this and believe the county would benefit from implementing these changes.

Glynna Hoekstra

Location: 92082, Valley Center
Submitted At: 12:27pm 05-20-25

Grazing has long been shown to aid in the restoration of native grasses, support of endangered species (by improving habitat) and most importantly, for fire mitigation. Rancho Jamul is an excellent example of this, as is Rancho Cienega del Gabilan. Rancho Lilac can be also, if we just get through the red tape! Please support grazing in San Diego County - it's good for everyone.

James Kemp

Location: 92103, Campo
Submitted At: 8:37am 05-20-25

As a multi-generational cattle rancher in Campo, I support the reintroduction of grazing to fallow ranches throughout San Diego County. For the most part, the rangelands in question had a long history of grazing before being taken out of production for various reasons. Attitudes on grazing have changed considerably since the passage of the Endangered Species Act in 1973, when many managers of public lands believed that the practice was inherently detrimental to the environment and struggling species. Today we understand that well managed grazing has many benefits for pasture, soil, and flora/fauna health. Additionally, grazing is an important component of a multi-pronged approach to fire prevention, an effort that seems to become more important in San Diego County each year. I urge the Board of Supervisors to support this agenda item and begin an ongoing discussion with cattle ranchers on the best methods for reintroducing grazing to fallow rangeland throughout the county.

Allison Fender

Location: 92070, Santa Ysabel
Submitted At: 11:04pm 05-19-25

I am a 4th generation cattle rancher and I support expanding sustainable grazing practices for cattle in San Diego County of public, fallow and unincorporated land. There are numerous benefits to grazing livestock, especially cattle on open pastures and rangeland. Some examples include; wildfire protection, allowing wildlife to pass through with ease, eliminating invasive plant species while encouraging native plant growth and carbon sequestration with proper management. I urge the board to support this agenda item and to talk with your local Cattlemen and CattleWomen. I would personally love to welcome any questions on how we raise our cattle in the gorgeous back country of San Diego County.

Larry Hawkins

Location: 92065, Ramona
Submitted At: 10:03pm 05-19-25

I support grazing on San Diego County lands. Agriculture is an important industry and we need the County Supervisors support. Jeanines comment should also be support not oppose.

Catherine BeyerArthur

Location: 92065, Ramona

Submitted At: 9:52pm 05-19-25

Please allow cattle grazing its environmentally friendly. Beautiful to look at and great for the cattle and other animals. People love to come to see the cattle out grazing. Plus its grass fed cattle. Better for people and San Diego over all.

Thank you ,

Catherine Beyer Arthur

Jeanine Hawkins

Location: 92065, Ramona

Submitted At: 9:41pm 05-19-25

Don't add additional restrictions to Agricultural land use. Our ranch has been used for cattle since 1800s. Grazing and clearing is part of pasture management and wildfire prevention. We operate under a Ag Preserve contract that has it's own set of requirements. It is not fair to add on more.

Katherine Moretti

Location: 92070, Santa Ysabel

Submitted At: 3:47pm 05-19-25

I am writing to support the REVIEW OPTIONS TO PROMOTE AND EXPAND SUSTAINABLE CATTLE GRAZING IN THE UNINCORPORATED COUNTY. Promoting Cattle grazing is beneficial in many ways. One aspect that helps ALL of San Diego County is Cattle grazing is an effective tool in wildfire prevention by reducing fuel loads. Grazing decreases the amount, continuity, and height of flashly fuels, By reducing fine fuels like grasses and other low-lying vegetation, grazing can lower flame heights and the potential for wildfires to spread quickly. History has shown in the fires of 2003 and 2007 that reducing the spread of fire is beneficial to both the rural and suburban areas of San Diego County.

Paul Henkin

Location: 91902, Bonita

Submitted At: 5:33pm 05-16-25

I can think of one thing – Ban Craig Netwig and Debra Barkley from any new development in the grazing area. But seriously, expanding sustainable cattle grazing in the County helps mitigate environmental challenges such as soil degradation, proliferation of invasive species, and wildfire risks, and we can encourage less harmful land practices.

One thing that should be encouraged is the use of fire-resistant plants. Also, the use of herbicides which do not damage the environment or people living nearby, like Roundup does.

I really hope we can get a good discussion and suggestions before action, and not just steamroll us with preset plans, as so often seems to happen. I am hopeful.