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The fairgrounds need to be updated and maintained for the safety of horse and livestock. The fires up the McKenzie River and in Lyons sent animals north, south, east and west. We had horses and livestock in Redmond, Salem, Albany and Eugene. The Willamette, Oakridge, West Fir fire sent animals east and west again, Redmond and Eugene. We have limited areas to safely evacuate animals and need to trust that the facilities can hold horses and livestock that are frightened, scared and traumatized. Please support programs to implement grants for continued updates to maintain safe areas to evacuate to. The human partners need to trust the safety of their horses and livestock so they can support their families and jobs.