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The horse industry is suffering because of the economy. Horses are not bred for consumption. Horse meat does not meet food safety standards.

US tax payers do not wish to spend their money on processing toxic horse meat sent to other countries not raised or regulated for consumption.

The USDA is correctly not issuing permits for horse slaughter inspections.

Thank you,

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