## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEW MEXICO

FRONT RANGE EQUINE RESCUE, et al.

Plaintiffs,

VS.

No. 1:13-CV-00639-MCA-RHS

TOM VILSACK, Secretary U.S. Department of Agriculture, et al.

Defendants.

## **ORDER**

**THIS MATTER** is before the Court *sua sponte*. Pursuant to the Court's August 29, 2013 *Scheduling Order*, the hearing on Plaintiffs' pending motion for preliminary injunction has been consolidated with the hearing on the merits. [See Doc. 137] Briefing on the merits of Plaintiffs' claims has been expedited and the briefing package will be complete on or before October 10, 2013. [Id.]

By the consent of the parties, the Court's August 2, 2013 *Temporary Restraining Order*, as amended on August 21, 2013, will remain in effect until October 31, 2013, when the Court anticipates issuing its ruling on the merits of Plaintiffs' claims. [See Docs. 94, 125, 141] The parties have left it to the Court's discretion to determine whether oral argument is necessary. [See Doc. 141] The Court has determined that oral argument is not necessary and, therefore, oral argument will not be permitted.

**SO ORDERED** this 5th day of September, 2013, in Albuquerque, New Mexico.

M. CHRISTINA ARMIJO

United States District Judge