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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Honorable Eddie Crandell, Chair, Lake County Board of Supervisors

**FROM:** Stephen L. Carter, Jr., Interim Animal Care and Control Director

**DATE:** September 23, 2025

**SUBJECT:** Response to the 2024-25 Lake County Civil Grand Jury's Report, "Highway Havoc: First Responders' Adaptation During Cattle Truck Overturns"

Lake County Animal Care and Control appreciates the Grand Jury's invitation to respond to their Report. Responses to specified Recommendations are included below.

R5. That Lake County Animal Care and Control draft a Large Animal Response Annex for the County Emergency Operations Plan to be presented to the Board of Supervisors.

AGREE, will be implemented by the end of Fiscal Year 2025-26.

R6. That Lake County Animal Care and Control develop operational procedures that address its responses to large-animal injury incidents to be presented to the Board of Supervisors. (F-9)

AGREE, will be implemented by the end of Fiscal Year 2025-26.

R8. That Lake County [Animal] Care and Control reactivate its LEAP program so that it can be activated by first responders during emergencies.

DISAGREE, will not be implemented.

Explanation: While Animal Care and Control personnel respond to animal-focused emergency needs during disaster events, LEAP is not a County-administered program.