

Instructions:

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**Study Group for
West Virginia Racing Commission**

**West Virginia Greyhound Training Tracks
Feasibility Questionnaire - October 2009**

1. Please mark the one statement that best reflects your feelings about building greyhound training tracks in West Virginia (*place an "X" in Column A*)

I feel greyhound training tracks are needed in West Virginia and should be built by the West Virginia Racing Commission and financed by the West Virginia Greyhound Breeding Development Fund

I feel greyhound training tracks are needed in West Virginia but should be built and financed by Private Enterprise

I do not feel greyhound training tracks are feasible in West Virginia for greyhound owners and breeders

I need more information with respect to Who (administrator and operator), What (type of training track), Where (how far I would have to travel), and How Much (training fees)

Feel free to add your comments:

2. Please mark one of the following statements only if you are an NGA greyhound breeder or owner living in West Virginia or, if you operate a greyhound business in West Virginia (*place an "X" in Column A*)

If training tracks were built in a WV area for which it would be feasible for me to travel to and use, I:

Would use it to train practically all of my young greyhounds

Would use it only in the later stages of training after sending my young greyhounds to break in with a trainer I use out of state

Would use it some (including to retrain injured dogs), but not significantly

Would probably not use it much at all

3. Please mark any or all of the following secondary statements that express your feelings: (*place an "X" in Column A*)

WV whelped greyhounds **should be** required to stay in WV and train at WV training tracks

WV whelped greyhounds **should not be** required to stay in WV and train at WV training tracks

I am concerned about unsafe track surfaces and the lack of operator training skills that might exist at WV training tracks

I am concerned about the possibility of outrageously high training fees at WV training tracks

- I prefer to have my greyhounds trained out of state by those with whom I have proven business relationships
- I am not a professional trainer, or I am not physically able, or I do not have kennel facilities, or I do not have time to train my greyhounds at West Virginia training tracks
- I think WV training tracks would grow in popularity and would attract business from breeders outside West Virginia
- I do not feel there are enough breeders in any one area of West Virginia to make a WV training track economically feasible
- It would be nice to have a WV track to retrain injured dogs
- Keep the WV greyhounds and training money in West Virginia, regardless

4. Please **fill in the blank** and indicate the following:

0 *If I were to use a WV training track, I would use it only if within _____ miles of my dog housing facilities (please answer in column A)*

My dog housing facilities are located at:

\$0.00 *If I were to use a WV training track, I would use it only if the cost were less than \$_____ per trip around the training track (please answer in column A)*

5. Please mark **any or all** of the following: *(place an "X" in Column A)*

If I were to use a WV greyhound training track, I would have to invest in the following:

- A dog trailer
- A truck to pull a dog trailer
- A new building, or remodeling an existing building for kennel room facilities
- Additional turnout facilities
- Additional labor to help catch dogs at the training track
- Additional labor to perform farm work while away at training

6. Please mark the one statement that best represents your feelings: *(place an "X" in Column A)*

I feel that training greyhound dogs in West Virginia would:

- Not affect the quality of my racing greyhounds
- Better the quality of my racing greyhounds
- Decrease the quality of my racing greyhounds

Other comments:
