

EXT. THE FARM - DAY

The morning sun rises and casts a warm glow over a sign that reads: "SUNNY ACRES CO-OP"

A ROOSTER struts along an UNFINISHED WHITE FENCE, puffing out his chest before letting out a proud, echoing COCK-A-DOODLE-DOO!

Down the hill, a MODULAR HOME sits before a BLUE DOG HOUSE. Strutting out is DOG, a confident Australian Shepard. His fur shimmers in sunlight. He looks stunning and knows it!

His ears perk up at the sound of a front door CLANGING a bell. A FARMER clad in overalls, a green hat, and muddy work boots steps out. The illusion of heavenly rays or light appear behind him.

Dog rushes over and barks with excitement. He puts his front paws on his legs. The Farmer pats his head.

A collage of memories in the form of PICTURES flash by:

- A YOUNGER FARMER playing with a PUPPY.
- Dog and Farmer sitting together on a truck's tailgate.
- Dog in a small tuxedo at his wedding.

Best friends through it all!

The Farmer climbs aboard a TRACTOR. He waves at Dog to join his side. Dog leaps next to him.

The tractor putters through the farm. CHICKENS peck for corn outside a hen house. Sheep sun bathe in an OPEN FIELD. A cozy slice of paradise!

Dog turns back to the front. His mood sours as they stop at--

THE STABLE - CONTINUOUS

--an old fashion barn with a classic red and white paint job.

The Farmer hops off the tractor. He grabs the barn handles, swings open the doors and reveals HORSE who tosses back her mane and strikes a picture-perfect pose. A sleek chestnut coat and a bold white stripe running down her face.

She's breathtaking and it makes Dog sick.

The Farmer pats Horse's face.

A collage of memories in the form of PICTURES flash by:

-- The Farmer helping a BABY HORSE stand for the first time.
-- The Farmer and Horse in front of a successful harvest.
-- The frontpage of a NEWSPAPER shows Horse and Farmer driving a wagon of KIDS from a burning building. The headline reads: "SCHOOL CHILDREN SAVED BY DYNAMIC FARM DUO!"

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THE PASTURE - CONTINUOUS

The Farmer brings Horse to an open field and releases her. Horse watches the Farmer leave with loving eyes--

SPLAT! A mud ball pelts Horse, snapping her out of her trance. She looks around to see where it came from.

No one's around.

She returns to grazing when mud splatters against her face!

This gets her attention.

She finds Dog leaning against the half-painted fence with another one ready in hand.

Horse stomps over and angrily towers over Dog. Her chest puffed out.

Unfazed, Dog writes 'FAT ASS' across her chest.

Their faces pressed against one another as they stare each other down. Neither backing down.

As the Farmer passes by, Dog and Horse smile to him. Once out of sight, they return to their glare, intense as ever.

Horse pulls back with a defiant SNORT. She turns to make her leave, then stops at the fence post, eyeing a PAINT-BUCKET balancing atop it.

WHAM! She KICKS the fence! The bucket topples over. SPLASH!

The Farmer rushes over to see Dog soaked in WHITE PAINT!

He shakes his head in disappointment, then drags Dog over to a wash stall.

Horse trots away with a defiant, smug grin across her face.

Dog only responds with a scowl.

It's war now.

FADE TO:

EXT. THE OPEN FIELD - DAY

Dog keeps watch of grazing sheep. He's deep in thought, tracing crude drawings in the mud while plotting his revenge.

He picks his head up at the scent of a COYOTE TRIO, slinking around the fence. Their eyes locked onto a YOUNG SHEEP smelling a flower.

Dog WHISTLES, grabbing their attention, then gestures to an adjacent pasture where Horse sleeps peacefully.

The coyotes envision her as a giant T-BONE STEAK. Dog nods and then turns a blind eye. Excited coyotes rush over and POUNCE at Horse.

They bite and scratch at her behind a huge DUST CLOUD. Eventually, Horse drags herself out of the chaos. A coyote continues to chew on her rear-end.

Dog grins as he watches the Farmer bandage up a grumpy Horse.

THE CHICKEN COOP - DAY

Dog watches the Farmer continues his work on the fence.

Horse glares at Dog, then spots a bag of chicken feed.

With a nasty grin, Horse slips over like a huge snake. She grabs the feed bag and SLAMS it over Dog's head.

A plume of YELLOW DUSK surrounds him, then settles. Dog, now covered in CORN FEED, finds himself surrounded by chickens.

He flees from them as they peck him to no end.

Horse relishes her revenge. It is short lived as she turns back to coyotes, waiting for round two.

The Farmer washes Dog, taking time away from the fence.

THE OPEN FIELD - DAY

Horse is hard at work tilling the land with a large plow.

Dog makes his way over to a HAY BALE COMBINE. He cranks it to MAX POWER.

Hay bales the size of REFRIGERATORS rain down on Horse. It looks like a warzone as she scurries through the field in search of cover.

The Farmer rushes over to turn the combine off.

Horse lets out a sigh of relief, only for one final hay bale to SQUASH her.

MONTAGE:

A) Dog, from the back of a wheel barrow, searches for Horse through binoculars. Horse, looming behind him, STOMPS on it. Chickens watch Dog soar across the sky.

B) Dog startles Horse with a cheap Halloween prop. She backpedals into a snare trap that lifts her into the air by all four legs and dangles around like a pinata.

The coyotes wait for her with sticks.

C) A boxing glove POPS Dog in the face from his dog house.

D) Horse falls into a PIT covered by a camo-tarp.

A series of comedic trades persist throughout the day as the Farmer makes progress on the fence.

LATER

Horse rests her head on the pasture fence.

A BEE HIVE painted like an APPLE catches her attention. She perks up and trots over to it. She takes a huge bite. A moment of bliss. Until--

--her mouth EXPLODE with ANGRY BEES. She sticks out her tongue. It's full of welts.

Dog HOWLS in laughter.

Horse has had enough! She takes another bite of the hive and stampedes at Dog, spitting bees at him like a MACHINE GUN!

Dog retreats into THE SHED--

--then BURSTS out driving the TRACTOR at full speed!

Horse's jaw drops. The dog runs her down.

THUMP! THUMP! Dog smiles. It's short lived as Hooves CLANG onto the front of the Horse, covered in tire tracks, drags herself up onto the tractor!

She butt checks Dog off and takes the driver's seat.

Dog hangs on by biting her tail, then climbs back up.

Dog and Horse fight for control, trading spots several times and throwing a flurry of fist-i-cuffs. They SMASH through the CHICKEN COOP, then through a VEGETABLE GARDEN.

They press foreheads against each other. They're ready to rip each other apart. They pause realizing they're heading straight for the Farmer and the fence!

The Farmer leaps out of the way as the tractor SMASHES into the fence! A wasteland of shattered fence posts and a wrecked tractor.

Dog POPS out from a pile of leaves. Horse pulls herself from a hole she was buried head first in.

The Farmer stands in disbelief before a wasteland of fence posts and mechanical parts. His hard day's work destroyed.

He hangs his arms and heads for the house, passing Dog and Horse without acknowledging either. He's too tired for this.

INT/EXT. THE HOUSE - CONTINUOUS

Gloomy vibes settle in as the Farmer closes the door, leaving nothing but the slowly building PITTER-PATTER of rain behind.

Dog and Horse approach the house to check on him. They peer through a WINDOW and watch an exhausted Farmer falls into his recliner.

Leaping into his arms is a KITTEN. Small, grey and with vibrant lavender eyes. She brings a smile to farmer's face as curls up by his side.

Dog and Horse gawk at the sight. They're appalled! Disgusted! Offended! They can't believe it!

The turn back to their destruction. A destroyed fence. A wrecked tractor. A chickens and sheep everywhere.

I guess they can believe it.

Dog and Horse glance over to the FARM CO-OP sign, then to each other. They understand what needs to be done.

THE FIELD - NIGHT

Lightning FLASHES! Thunder ROARS! A torrential downpour commences. Dog rushes through the field, gathering tools and muddy chickens. He places them back in the shed and the chicken coop respectfully.

THE STABLE - CONTINUOUS

Horse bursts out through the stable doors with a cart in tow.

THE FIELD - CONTINUOUS

Horse trudges up a muddy hill. Her legs tremble and slip the mud as gusts of wind grow stronger.

Dog BARKS at her to keep going! Horse buckles down. With pure strength and sheer will, she makes it to the top! Horse pauses to catch her breath then smiles at Dog, appreciating the encouragement.

Supplies unload. Dog digs a hole, then Horse STOMPS a fence post in.

They saw wood, going back and forth on a DOUBLE SIDED SAW.

As Dog and Horse continue to work, the coyote trio return. They slink past the duo and towards a chicken coop where chickens sleep with their young.

Dog, now behind them, lets out a startling BARK! The coyotes JUMP and slip down the mud-soaked hill. They pile into a HOME-MADE CATAPULT. An enormous shadow waits for them.

Lightning FLASHES. It's Horse with an angry, vengeful glare. A coyote whimpers.

She taps a button by her hooves. The catapult launches the Coyotes at a breakneck speed! They look like a shooting star. Young sheep watch in astonishment.

LATER

The storm starts to quell as the morning sun starts to peer over the horizon. The Rooster stands atop a weather vane to perform his morning ritual. Dog grabs him by the throat. He gags him and toss him into the SHED, needing more time.

FADE TO:

The sun now fully risen.

An exhausted Dog and Horse stand before one final fence post as Horse taps it in.

They steps back and proudly look to a CRAPPY-LOOKING FENCE. Nails protrude from crooked boards with sloppy coat of paint. It barely resembles a fence at all.

They look at one another with new found appreciation for their efforts.

The front door OPENS. It's the Farmer.

Dog BARKS to grab his attention. He and Horse raise a PITIFUL SIGN, barely legible, that reads: "WE SURRY!"

An awkward beat. The animals don't know how he's taking it.

Then, a smile begins to form. The Farmer is ecstatic! He runs over and hugs them both.

The Farmer sets up a camera on the fence post. It FLASHES--

CUT TO:

INT. LIVING ROOM - DAY

A FRAMED PHOTO of the trio sits on a coffee table.

Best friends through it all!

PULL OUT:

The kitten stares at the photo with pure malice.

She retracts her claws--

CUT TO BLACK:

--and bellows a maniacal CACKLE.

END