2011 EHV-1 Outbreak
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NCHA Western National Championship
April 29 to May 8, 2011
April 29-May 8: Ogden, Utah
National Cutting Horse Association
Western National Championships:
>700 Horses

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Significant EHV-1 Outbreak Facts

• 708 entries in Western National Championships
  – Significant number of ancillary horses
• Most horses left Ogden event on or before May 8, 2011
• Colorado horse that participated at Ogden event displayed significant signs of EHM and was euthanized on May 11, 2011
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Significant EHV-1 Outbreak Facts

• Horse that had competed in Ogden was euthanized at a cutting event in central California after showing neurological signs EHV-1 on May 13, 2011
  – Show was immediately cancelled
  – Several hundred horses potentially exposed

• Pacific Coast Cutting Horse Assn. cancelled major show the following week
  – May 19-22
Significant EHV-1 Outbreak Facts

• Breeder Invitational Cutting Event cancelled May 14
  – Mercuria World Series of Cutting cancelled after Open go-around (rescheduled)
• Industry request for USDA-APHIS assistance May 16
• All NCHA approved shows cancelled May 14- June 6, 2011
  – Bio-security measures strongly recommended as shows reopened
5/26/2011 - Status of Horses that Attended the Ogden Competition -- and in-contact horses

States with Confirmed or Suspected EHV-1 Infections Among Horses with 1°, 2°, or 3° Exposures from the Ogden Competition

States Where No Confirmed or Suspected EHV-1 Infections have been Reported Among Horses with 1°, 2°, or 3° Exposures from the Ogden Competition

Sources: USDA/APHIS and other official statements

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EHV-1 Outbreak Lessons Learned

- Industry contact person and coordinator
  - AHC/USDA (APHIS-VS) Workshop June 2010

- Communication
  - CSU Team
  - AHC & AAEP
  - USDA/APHIS & State Veterinary Services
  - Industry communication
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Summary

Communication! Communication! Communication&
Team Approach

Thank You