



## ETI Meeting – February 6, 2020



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### **2 Issues threatening the equestrian community**

- I. SB 1383 - New State Waste Diversion requirements related to manure and stable bedding disposal.
- II. National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Citizen Lawsuits.

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#### **I. Senate Bill (SB) 1383 – Short lived climate pollutants: Organic Waste Methane Emissions Reduction – this includes horse manure.**

- SB 1383 regulates food waste, green waste and stable waste (manure/bedding), among other things.
- These items are now considered “solid” waste and must be diverted from landfills.

#### **Regulations will be put in place to meet the Statewide goal of 50% organic waste disposal reduction from 2014 levels by 2020 and 75% reduction by 2025.**

- CalRecycle will initiate enforcement actions on January 1, 2022 and local jurisdictions will be required to take on the enforcement actions in 2024.
- Diversion and enforcement costs expected to significantly increase disposal rates.
- Penalties can go up to \$500/day.
- It is estimated that 50-100 new or expanded facilities will be needed.
- Equestrians will be competing for composting space with food and green waste.

#### **The SJCEC is interviewing businesses who may be able to profit from stable waste**

- **Saddleback Canyon Riders need to stay close to County of Orange Waste Management to ensure flexibility with trash hauling contracts as new opportunities emerge.**
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**II. The Clean Water Act prohibits anyone from discharging “pollutants” through a “point source” into “waters of the United States” unless they have a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) Permit.**

- Stables with less than 500 horses qualify as Animal Feeding Operations and depending on how their pollutants are handled, they can be required to have NPDES permits.
- The federal government recognized that most stables should be considered Animal Feeding Operations (AFOs) and not Concentrated Animal Feeding Operations (CAFOs).
- AFOs are not required to obtain NPDES permits.
- Stables need to comply with AFO requirements if at all possible.

**What can we/each of us do? Make sure we follow “best management practices”**

**Covered Areas**



**Wash water connected to sewer system or settling area**



**Runoff Control**



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