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Bay Area Barns and Trails

(BABTT) provides organizational, technical and financial support to community groups working to preserve and acquire equestrian lands contiguous with, and safely accessible to, public trails in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano, and Sonoma Counties. We're here for one simple reason: to help you and your neighbors protect those special places that horses need to call home.

Challenges and Opportunities

Tell us about equestrian land or trail acquisition opportunities and natural resource enhancement projects in your area. If your favorite trail, ranch or stable is in the path of "urban sprawl" and soon to become a housing development, industrial park or strip mall...please contact Bay Area Barns and Trails at 415.383.6283.

Be an Open Space Advocate!

Bay Area Barns and Trails is recruiting equestrians for our Board of Directors and Advisory Board. If you are an open space advocate — and believe that public-private partnerships can save equestrian lands here in the Bay Area — we invite your participation.



Photo: Western Trail Ride Adventures

Riding the old trails of Mt. Diablo with Western Trail Ride Adventures - www.westerntrailride.com

Success Stories Around the Bay Area

Contra Costa County: Save Mt. Diablo

Almost a third of the Directors on Save Mount Diablo's 17-member Board are equestrians. One of them, Danville resident Bob Marx, has ridden for more than forty years, rides three days a week, and will soon compete in his 8th Tevis Cup (the Western States 100), a hundred mile endurance race. "I used to ride on farmers' land in Wisconsin, but you had to stick to fence lines and access was difficult from one farm to the next. I was really happy to get involved in preserving the mountain...I love Mount Diablo for its isolated majestic beauty, for its variety of species and terrain, and for its vistas. Diablo has among the best access of any urban area for equestrians and other recreational users. I can ride for days if I want. I'm most proud of Save Mount Diablo's dedication to expansion of public lands all around the mountain to allow for greater recreational opportunities."

Excerpts from *Mt. Diablo from Four Feet Up - Where Equestrians Stand on the Mountain*. Seth Adams, Director of Land Programs: www.savemountdiablo.org/DiabloWatch.htm

Horses are AG partners in Alameda County, California.

The efforts of Alameda County Equestrian Society has resulted in inclusion of an equestrian position on the proposed Agricultural Advisory Panel that is being formed as a result of Measure D. This panel will "preserve and enhance agriculture and agricultural lands..." Acknowledgment exists that equestrians represent the dynamic link between rural and urban citizens through agricultural land usage... The county is taking a positive step to acknowledge the critical role played by the horse industry in open space planning and agricultural preservation. www.alamedacountyquestrians.org

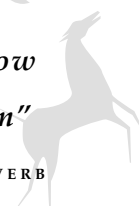
SAN FRANCISCO BAY AREA LAND AND TRAIL TRUSTS THAT SUPPORT EQUESTRIAN/EQUINE OPPORTUNITIES

Bay Area Ridge Trail Council www.ridgetrail.org
Landpaths www.landpaths.org/
Land Trust of Santa Cruz County www.ltsc.org
Muir Heritage Land Trust
www.muirheritagelandtrust.org
Peninsula Open Space Trust
www.openspacetrust.org

San Joaquin River Parkway & Conservation Trust
www.riverparkway.org
Save Mt. Diablo www.savemountdiablo.org
Sempervirens Fund www.sempervirens.org
Solano County Farmlands and
Open Space Foundation
<http://slipnet/~samiller>

"We do not inherit
the Earth from our
Ancestors, we borrow
it from our Children"

- ANCIENT INDIAN PROVERB



What is a Land Trust?

Land trusts are tax-exempt non-profit organizations that protect important land resources for the public benefit. They can operate locally, regionally or nationally and are funded by membership dues and/or donations from individuals, corporations and foundations. Land trusts protect land permanently and directly through donations of land, purchases and through agreements with owners that restrict a property's use. Land trusts also tend to be non-adversarial, working in cooperation with landowners and government agencies. This, combined with their tax-exempt status, makes land trusts highly effective tools for protecting important scenic, historic, recreational and wildlife areas.

Yolo Land Trust:
www.yololand@dcn.davis.ca.us

What are Conservation Easements?

A conservation easement is a legal covenant that imposes restrictions on development of a property. Conservation easements usually run with the land in perpetuity, and therefore remain in effect even though property ownership may change. Tax benefits are available only for perpetual easements that subject all future landowners to original restrictions. There are many types of easements (agriculture, trail, habitat preservation, open space) which are determined by the landowner and holder of the easement. The landowner and the land trust mutually agree upon the precise restrictions applied to the property. When a land trust acquires a conservation easement, the underlying fee title remains with the landowner. The trust monitors the property to ensure that the terms of the covenant are respected; i.e. that the land remains as the donor and the land trust agreed upon. A stewardship (monitoring) fund is often necessary to ensure that the land is managed according to the limitations and requirements of the original easement agreement.

Land Trust Alliance - www.lta.org

***"Horses HELP Agriculture -
Horses ARE Agriculture"***

- MARIN HORSE COUNCIL



Photo: Chip Hankins

Second Annual Martinez Benefit Ride - Riders on the Feeder Trail on the way to Sky Ranch and Gustin.

Equestrians Support Land and Trail Trusts:

Martinez Horsemen's Association Hosts Two Benefit Events for Muir Heritage Land Trust Ride: "Where in the World is Feeder Trail #1?"

The Martinez Horsemen's Association's 2nd annual benefit ride for the Muir Heritage Land Trust (October 13, 2001) raised \$6,200 to support the re-establishment of Feeder Trail #1, a vital historical route that connects the heart of Alhambra Valley to Franklin Canyon via Sky Ranch. Equestrians and hikers — whose goals were to draw attention and raise funds for projects of the Muir Heritage Land Trust, the East Bay Regional Parks District, Contra Costa County, and the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council — gathered on East Bay Municipal Utility District property at the intersection of Bear Creek/Pereira Road and Alhambra Valley Road. Tina Batt, MHLT Executive Director, stated, "The Martinez Horsemen's Association is helping us work with local property owners to make the trail accessible to horses and bike riders...one more step to turning the area of the East Bay into probably the most livable site in the country... We are buying property in the Franklin Ridge area along the route of the trail and trying to preserve a wider wildlife corridor...funds will be used to retire the last remaining debt on the Gustin Property, another recent acquisition." The fundraiser included a matching contribution from Bay Area Barns and Trails. For information about the Muir Heritage Land Trust, 925-228-5460 www.mhlt.com or The Martinez Horsemen's Association, 925-229-2122.

*"There are properties that
need to be protected whether
we are there or not"*

TINA BATT, MUIR HERITAGE LAND TRUST

Beyond the Bay Area: Equestrians Support the Truckee Donner Land Trust

The Truckee Donner Land Trust (TDLT) is trying to raise a half million dollars as its share of costs with the State to purchase Schallenberger Ridge that runs along the south side of Donner Lake. This acquisition is critical for completion of the Donner Lake Rim Trail which begins in Truckee, goes up the north side of Highway 80 to where it joins the Pacific Crest Trail (PCT), turns west and follows the same route as the PCT to the Schallenberger Ridge. A new trail is now in planning ...to complete the 23-mile loop back to the Town of Truckee. Horsemen have been active with the TDLT over the past few years to assure that the Rim Trail will be available for mixed use, INCLUDING EQUESTRIANS... Bay Area horsemen have donated the bridge in Negro Canyon across Gregory Creek to assure equestrian access to the trail on the north side of the trail alignment.

Truckee Donner Land Trust www.tdlandtrust.org

Success Stories Across the Country

Kentucky Farmland an Oasis Amidst Rising Subdivisions

A conservation easement donated to River Fields, Inc. (KY) will help preserve a 591-acre family farm bordering the Ohio River in one of the fastest growing suburban areas near Louisville... There's been an outpouring of joy at the Wallace family's conservation gift... The easement prohibits subdivision of the farm and new construction. Commercial activity is prohibited except for the petting zoo and existing farm and horse-boarding activities.

Land Trust Alliance Exchange Summer 2001 www.lta.org

Brooklandwood Protected Forever as a Steeplechase Venue

Six years of combined efforts have culminated in Brooklandwood being protected forever as a steeplechase venue. Developed with strong considerations to aesthetics and sensitive considerations to environment, it boasts a hillside contoured into a natural amphitheatre for race goers in a beautiful natural setting. The Catawba Lands Conservancy (CLC), a group currently celebrating its tenth year of working "to preserve the land, water and wildlife resources of the Lower Catawba River Basin and the Southern Piedmont of North Carolina," had never taken on an equestrian project like the "Brooklandwood" land, a 200 acre site which hosts a National Steeplechase Association-sanctioned race meet, the highlight of which is the Queen's Cup. Located just south of Charlotte, North Carolina, it lies in a rapidly developing suburban ring where former farms, replaced by tightly packed subdivisions, create an all too familiar patchwork with the open space of the few remaining farms.

Equestrian Land Conservation Resource www.elcr.org

- Adapted with permission of the author, A Story of Successful Networking, by Georgiana Hubbard McCabe, from The Resource, Official Newsletter of the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource, Summer, 2001

Sonoma County Coalition for the Outdoor Recreation Plan

Sonoma County Coalition for the Outdoor Recreation Plan (CORP) stands firm on outdoor recreation and trail opportunities for underserved Sonoma County.

CORP'S MISSION: To advocate for an extensive, diverse and sensible system of trails in Sonoma County.

In March 2001, CORP submitted its comments to the Citizens Advisory Committee for the Sonoma County Outdoor Recreation Plan (2300 County Center Drive, Suite 120A. Santa Rosa, CA 95403) "CORP is a group of two dozen organizations representing over 15,000 Sonoma County households and has actively participated in the development of the draft Outdoor Recreation Plan (Plan) since 1996: CORP asks that the PLAN identify regional multi-use trails such as the Bay Area Ridge Trail, Adobe to Adobe Trail, The Mark West Trail, Foothills Trail, McCray Ridge Trail, Cedars Trail, and Salmon Creek Trail. CORP also asked the County to restore and extend Sonoma Mountain Parklands by adding an open space park of at least 300 acres on this eastern slope of the mountain overlooking the Sonoma Valley, as shown in the 1989 General Plan's Land Use Map, and also add an open space park of at least 300 acres on the upper mountain overlooking the Petaluma Valley to replace the county park proposed at or near Lafferty Ranch. CORP'S also asked for expansion of the size of the North Sonoma Mountain Open Space Park, northeast of Jack London park, to at least 500 acres, as was called for in the 1964 park plan, and for expansion of several existing, undersized parks, such as Crane Creek and Helen Putnam." If you'd like to help CORP accomplish these goals, contact Coalition for the Outdoor Recreation Plan, P.O. Box 14483, Santa Rosa CA 95402 or check their website: www.sonomatrails.org

What is a "Bridge" Loan?

When an 84-acre property that would be a vital section of a ridgeline trail and nature reserve in southeast Vermont went up for sale in May 2000, 19 "charitable creditors" stepped in quickly with \$10,000 and \$ 5,000 interest-free loans to the Putney Mountain Association to meet the \$115,000 purchase price... The 18-month bridge loan, established in consultation with the Vermont Land Trust (VLT) and the Vermont Housing and Conservation Board (VHCB) enabled the association to come up with the cash needed to acquire land that would otherwise have been shortly sold for development... we contacted people who had been partners in earlier purchases and people who had heard about the trail project and wanted to help, and raised the money in about three weeks... although the bridge loan had an 18-month duration, the charitable creditors were reimbursed within 10 months.

- Land Trust Alliance Exchange - Summer 2001

MEMBERSHIP GIFT! HISTORIC BARN OF MARIN



Join Bay Area Barns and Trails at the \$30 level or above, and receive six assorted notecards by Nick Hamil. ...Or, purchase 6 Cards for \$15.00

Shown: Stewart Ranch, Morning Star Farms & Miwok Stables. Includes: Marin Stables, Golden Gate Dairy Stables & Morgan Horse Ranch



Photo: Siegel & Strain, Architects, Emeryville, CA.

The circa 1878 restored Lone Oak Farm house.

Challenges & Opportunities

Alameda County: Lone Oak Farm

Alameda County Waste Management Authority (ACWMA) hosted an idea-gathering session in Livermore to discuss the renovation and future of Lone Oak Farm on North Flynn Road in east Livermore. The 27 acre property sits in the middle of 1700 acres owned by ACWMA on land purchased as a "hedge" against future landfill needs but which they now doubt will be used for that purpose. The 100+ year old house on the property has been lovingly repaired and restored by a team of "green"/contractors who saved and recycled materials from the house and several old barns on the property, as demonstrated in a 15 minute video documenting the project and the property's history. Scenarios suggested by ACES and others attending the meeting were: (1) Use of the facility by 4-H / FFA / Livermore HS Ag Program to raise animals and hold meetings; (2) Horse boarding facility; (3) Regional manure composting/recycling center.

If you have questions about this project or would like to express support for

these or any other possible uses for the property, please contact: Burton Edwards at bpe@siegelstrain.com

- DEBBIE SMITH, ACES
www.alamedacountyequestrians.org

Contra Costa County: Sycamore Grove Park

Public Meeting of the Technical Advisory Committee for the Resource Management Plan Study of Sycamore Grove Regional Park was held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, September 27, 2001 at Ravenswood Historic Site, 2647 Arroyo Road, Livermore, California. This was the second of five meetings that will provide a forum where the public may get involved in the Resource Management Plan by learning about and providing input on the management of the resources at Sycamore Grove Regional Park. For more information, please contact Kenneth Craig, Superintendent of Planning and Parks at 925.373.5729.

-LORRAINE KAINUMA, ACES
lkainuma@yahoo.com

Santa Clara County: San Jose Police Mounted Unit Barn

Tully Road once meandered amongst the great orchards near the Santa Clara County Fairgrounds. During the 1960's, Paul Templeton leased the popular *Tully Road Stables* from Ed Keeble who, in 1986, donated the stable and adjacent lands to San Jose for its Mounted Unit (MU). Today, this stable is home to 20 MU horses; it is beautifully maintained and retains its original knotty pine walls and historic character. Tours are available in the stables. Indeed, the stables and their MU horses are a community resource. However, in 2001, *Tully Road Stables* is in the

"path of progress" ... a new library and parking lots have been proposed to pave over the horses' turn-out fields and corrals. Fortunately, the *Tully Road Stables* has a protector in Maggie Kelly, a 5th generation resident of the area, who hopes to persuade her elected representatives to find a compromise. Maggie believes that the stables and fields should stay exactly where they are. She believes that, "with the growth of our City, we will need the Mounted Unit more. I have seen them in action, at parks, at festivals, at schools, all over our city. I have watched them go into places that cars can't. These horses need all the land that they have." To help keep San Jose Mounted Unit horses in their healthy and happy home, e-mail Maggie Kelly at cazador@earthlink.net

Solano County: McIntyre Ranch

Twenty-five acres were purchased ten years ago by Greater Vallejo Parks and Recreation District (GVRD). Located in the still rural north Valley off Hwy 80 near PGE property that may be sold for homes/golf course, etc. Surrounded by open space with access to Bay Area Ridge Trail, Blue Rock Springs Park and Hiddenbrooke development. Potential for trailhead and camping. Current use: Cornerstone Equestrian Center/therapeutic riding program (707) 643-2223; email: narha@narha.org

Inquiries? Contact Rosemary Alex, Greater Vallejo Parks and Recreation District: 395 Amador St., Vallejo, CA 94590. 707-648-4602 www.gvrd.org

Support equestrian activities on McIntyre Ranch: Write to Bob Keiths, Chairman, Greater Vallejo Recreation District, 395 Amador St., Vallejo, CA 94590. phone 707-648-4600 FAX 707-648-4616.



SPECIAL THANKS

Debbie Smith of Bay Area Equestrian Network serves thousands of horse enthusiasts and equine businesses in Northern California and throughout the state. Debbie's management of the Bay Area Barns and Trails' website has been truly outstanding. www.bayquest.com

LAND AND TRAIL TRUSTS ACROSS THE COUNTRY THAT ALLOW EQUESTRIAN/EQUINE ACCESS

American Land Conservancy: Bizz Johnson Trail www.alcnet.org/bizz.html
Continental Divide Land Trust www.cdlf.org
Daley Ranch www.ci.escondido.ca.us/visitors
Eagle Valley Land Trust www.evlf.org
Great Outdoors Conservancy www.thegreatoutdoors.org
Groton Conservation Trust www.gctrust.org

Jackson Hole Land Trust www.jhltrust.org
McDowell Sonoran Land Trust www.mslf.org
Mountains Conservancy: Backbone Trail www.cyberjava.com/earth/mtns/mtns.htm
Nevada County Land Trust www.nccn.net/~landtrst
Trinity County RCD: Weaverville Basin Trail www.snowcrest.net/trcrd/wvrbsin.htm
Truckee-Donner Land Trust www.tdlandtrust.org



Bali Hai, one of the five remaining residents, ruminates on his future in Golden Gate Park.

San Francisco City & County: Golden Gate Stables

HIGH NOON FOR CITY'S STABLES...EQUESTRIANS MAY BE OUT OF LUCK AT PARK.

The unhappy trails in Golden Gate Park start at the city's historic stables, and it seems they might end there. For the better part of a year now, the city has been dragging its feet over what to do with its aging and dilapidated equestrian center, a place that has survived time, indifference, neglect and no small amount of bureaucratic bungling. And given the lack of horsepower to be found among the town's leadership, it's no surprise that another San Francisco tradition is near the brink. The situation with the venerable site is so unstable right now that nobody — not the mayor's office, not the Recreation and Park Department, not the Board of Supervisors — can say for sure whether the stables will be closed, or for how long, just a few weeks before the deadlines that will determine its fate come due. The stables have been around since the time the windy western end of the city was transformed from a sea of sand dunes into one of the world's great urban parks, courtesy of William Hammond Hall and John McLaren. But the stables have hardly been upgraded by the city since they were constructed and are now in a state of disrepair that has the boarders chafing at the bit and considering trotting off to court...Since the current operators of the stables announced that they were going to pull out of their lease earlier this year, the site on the northern side of the Polo Fields has been awash in allegations, threatened lawsuits and a dwindling number of boarders and riding classes. Those classes will end for good at the end of the month, and quite possibly, only the lawsuits will remain.

That's the way it works in San Francisco. You hope for a nice quiet ride into the Sunset and end up circling the wagons...if the stables are not refurbished and reopened in a reasonable amount of time, I know one columnist who will be suggesting that a whole posse of folks should be driven out of town.

- 9/1/01 KEN GARCIA, SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE; e-mail kgarcia@sfnchronicle.com.

Support the Equestrian Land Conservation Resource

A national voice for a united equestrian land conservation movement dedicated to promoting access to and conservation of land for equestrian and other compatible uses through education and partnerships. Founded by concerned equestrians and conservationists with the assistance from the Conservation Fund, ELCR promotes the protection of open land and provides information to concerned individuals who wish to maintain access to land for the riding and driving of horses. www.elcr.org

GOLDEN GATE PARK STABLES

LIFE TODAY - 10/22/2001

All horse owners were sent eviction notices dated September 30, 2001 and most of the stalls doors have been nailed shut. However, five privately boarded horses remain, cared for by their dedicated owners who feed, clean stalls and maintain the grounds. The City continues to provide water and electricity and the boarders have hired on-site security to ensure the safety of the horses. Boarders continue to mail in their monthly board checks, but these checks are being returned due to the Unlawful Detainer motion filed by the current leaseholder.

THE LAW SUIT

On September 27, 2001 a lawsuit was filed by six boarders as plaintiffs against the City of San Francisco, the current operators and the Recreation and Park Department. Their ultimate goal is to keep the stables open to the public, and to recover financial charges passed on to them for renovations never made.

When the current operators signed their contract with the City in 1995, one of the lease conditions was that the tenant provide approximately \$680,000 of capital improvements to the property over a 15 year period. The City has now acknowledged this was an unreasonable burden on the vendor. To date, approximately \$175,000 in capital improvements were made. To help fund improvements, private board fees were raised from \$325 a month to \$475. Boarders are now suing to recover this \$150 a month rent increase since 1995 — approximately \$11,000 per boarder — for improvements never made.

TASK FORCE ALMOST COMPLETE

San Francisco Supervisor Tony Hall successfully introduced a resolution to the Board of Supervisors to create a Working Group to study the many questions surrounding the stable's future. The Working Group was originally set to include:

- One person experienced in teaching horseback riding;
- One person experienced in competitive equestrian sports;
- One person with a background in stable management, or who has run a boarding facility;
- One veterinarian, with particular expertise in equine medicine.
- One individual who is currently boarding at Golden Gate Park Stables.

Later, another position was created for a person with expertise in construction. Appointments have been filled with the exception of the construction expert and a current boarder from GGPS. The latter appointment may prove to be difficult to fill, as most boarders from GGPS are currently involved in the lawsuit. For more information, contact San Francisco Supervisor Tony Hall, or Mary Landers, at 415-554-6516.



BABTT Grants Program

\$500 - \$2,500 Equestrian Land and Trail Stewardship Grants

Stewardship Grants are available to enhance equestrian lands in Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Mateo, San Francisco, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma Counties. Projects should focus upon trails, stables, pastures, staging areas or horsecamps near a creek, lake, reservoir, bay, or estuary...riparian buffer, culvert, berm, stream-crossing, puncheon, turnpike, waterbar, cribwall, french drain, corral, water trough, hitchrail, fencing, composting bin, windrow, community garden, native plant restorations, re-seeding overgrazed pastures... Inquiries from organizations, individuals, and landowners - public and private - are welcome. Contact **Bay Area Barns and Trails** Phone 415-383-6283; Fax 415-381-3809; e-mail BABtt@earthlink.net

BABTT 2001 Grants to Equestrian Organizations

Contra Costa County • Martinez Horsemen's Association/Muir Heritage Land Trust Benefit Ride 10/13/2001

BABTT donated \$3,200 of pledge contributions to support the Benefit Ride to help the Muir Heritage Land Trust, East Bay Regional Parks District and the Bay Area Ridge Trail Council acquire lands to re-establish Feeder Trail #1 which was originally dedicated on July 27, 1952 as a link in the California Riding and Hiking Trail. www.muirheritagelandtrust.org

Contra Costa County • East County Horsemen's Association received \$2,500 to support enhancement of *Tank Trail* in Antioch's Contra Loma Regional Park. The project will restore pastureland and trails, replant native oaks and grasses, enhance wildlife habitat, including a local population of quail, and install a water tank for wildlife AND trail users. The East Bay Regional Parks District will direct project. Echomembership@mail.com www.ebparks.org/

Marin County • Ocean Riders of Marin/Golden Gate Dairy Stables received \$1,500 to help produce a video describing its partnership with the San Francisco Police Department's *Wilderness Program* for inner city children, the Golden Gate National Recreation Area water quality improvement projects, and the Green Gulch Farm/Zen Center composting program which demonstrates the beneficial use of horse manure in organic gardening. oceanridermp@prodigy.net

Marin County • Marin County Open Space District/Horse Hill Erosion Mitigation received \$1,000 to help defray costs associated with spring improvements and wildlife habitat enhancements on the Alta Bowl/Horse Hill Open Space Preserve. The project reduced erosion around springs on steep slopes and enhanced wildlife habitat at the springs by installing underground water storage tanks, water lines, and watertroughs for horses. www.horsehill.org; www.co.marin.ca.us/pos/opensp.html

Sonoma County • Back Country Horsemen of California/North Bay Unit Annadel State Park received \$1,000 to construct 2-horse corral in Annadel State Park. Corral will be used for CA State Parks' Silverado District Ranger Horse Patrol Program, with a second stall to care for injured horses found in the park or to temporarily house a horse due to an unexpected injury to its rider. Other donors included the Sonoma County Riding and Driving Club, Wine Country Peruvians, Sonoma County Horse Council, and Martin Ranch Supply. www.bcha.org/units



A clearinghouse for information on horses, horse trails and other related equine uses.
www.californiastatehorsemen.com/envirohorse.htm

Education

During the year 2000 individuals and organizations supported and facilitated a research project of the University of California, Davis: Veterinary Medicine Teaching and Research Center (VMTRC): *Environmental and Public Health Impacts from Horses*. Dr. Rob Atwill presented findings from this research during the Western States Horse Summit, May 31, 2001. Horse Manure Impacts on Public Health and the Environment: Dr. Robert Atwill described the results of Phase 1 of the study: "Of a total of 500 samples collected, 5 were positive for E. coli O157:H7 and zero were positive for Salmonella. Of the positive samples, 4 were from horses and one was from a very fresh manure pile. All manure pile samples aged for more than 24 hours were negative in this study"... "once the data is analyzed, we plan to publish the results in a scientific journal and in an equine lay journal..." Phases 2 and 3 of this study are planned for a later date.

Information, contact **Envirohorse** www.californiastatehorsemen.com/envirohorse.html or Dr. Rob Atwill e-mail ratwill@vmtrc.ucdavis.edu



United We Stand - United We Ride! Golden Gate Bridge & San Francisco viewed from Marin's GGNRA.

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Alistair Bleifuss, *Bodega* | Judy Etheridge, *Sunol* | Chip Hankins, *Martinez* | Annette Rains, *Oakley*
 William Symmes, *Oakland* | Barbara Weitz, *Mill Valley* | Nancy White, *San Jose*

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Resources for Protecting Our Environment

CONSERVATION PRINCIPLES FOR EQUESTRIAN TRAIL USERS

Clemson University:
www.sctrails.net/Trails/library.html

HORSE TRAILS IN FOREST ECOSYSTEMS

Clemson University:
www.sctrails.net/Trails/library.html

CONSERVATION ETHICS GUIDING THE GOETHE TRAIL

Helen Koehler, Volunteer,
 Florida Division of Forestry, and
 Florida Office of Greenways and Trails
 e-mail blackprong@aol.com

HORSES FOR CLEAN WATER

Alayne Renee Blickle <http://members.aol.com/arblickle/aboutn.html>

RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Alameda County Equine Facilities Assistance
www.baysavers.org/projects/equinefacilities

WEED FREE FEED

Bonnie Davis, 2 Horse Enterprise
www.weedfreefeed.com

Bay Area Barns and Trails Permanent Endowment Fund

The Bay Area Barns and Trails Endowment Fund is reserved for lands and trails acquisition throughout the nine counties of the San Francisco Bay Area. This revolving fund will allow us to offer prompt financial assistance to landowners considering a conservation alternative to the sale or development of properties crucial to our equestrian life. This fund will also enable Bay Area Barns and Trails to obtain matching funds from private and public foundations as well as local, state, and federal funding sources.

Thanks to our 501(c)(3) non-profit status, your gift is generally tax-deductible. Always consult your tax advisor. For further information, please call 415-383-6283. Bay Area Barns and Trails was established in 1999 as a California non-profit 501 (c) (3) corporation. Federal Tax Exemption granted in November, 2000. ID/EIN #68-0442986; CA#C-2150981

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-WILL ROGERS



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Your membership will help Bay Area Barns & Trails provide support to equestrian groups and landowners — both private and public — working to preserve San Francisco Bay Area equestrian properties for future generations. Thank you for helping BABTT save "habitat for horses".

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Comments? _____

Special Interests? _____

NEW MEMBERSHIP GIFT!



Memberships of \$ 30 or more will receive six Notecards/Envelopes by Nick Hamil depicting "Historic Barns in Marin County, CA". Shown above: Marin Stables

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