



EQUINE
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Message from the Joint Steering Committee (JSC)

May 13, 2011

Since our mediated agreement was reached in March 2011, the JSC has been engaged in continued discussions and negotiations with a view to reuniting the equine community in Canada. Subcommittees have been established, meetings have been held, and the services of a governance consultant have now been retained to help facilitate our success. The JSC is committed to communicating its progress regularly through meeting updates to its stakeholders, and with its subcommittees, will be working very hard over the next three months to achieve a resolution by August 1, 2011.

During this critical time, the JSC asks that all members of the equine community in Canada be respectful of each other, and of the delicate process that we are undertaking. Whether you are a member, a volunteer or a staff member of a provincial association or of Equine Canada, we hope that you will be cordial in your communications and accommodating of your current differences. In short, we trust that the spirit of understanding that we must exhibit ourselves in these negotiations can also be reflected in the larger equine community.

Our success is more likely if we can work in a collaborative fashion, and this will be more likely if we are not also dealing with an external environment of negativity and criticism.

We thank you for your understanding and support.

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