

## CALIFORNIA HORSE RACING BOARD

**M e m o r a n d u m**

**Date** : May 2, 2012

**To** : All CHRB Horsemen and Interested Parties

**From** : Rick M. Arthur, DVM  
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**Subject** : Vesicular Stomatitis in New Mexico

Effectively immediately, all horses entering a CHRB facility from a state where Vesicular Stomatitis has been confirmed must have a negative test for Vesicular Stomatitis not more than 30 days prior to shipment to California. Furthermore, if the horse originated from a state with Vesicular Stomatitis the accompanying health certificate must have the following statement:

***“The horses represented on this certificate have not originated from a premises or area under quarantine for vesicular stomatitis, or a premises on which VS has been diagnosed in the past 30 days. I have examined the horses and have found no signs of vesicular stomatitis.”***

Currently Vesicular Stomatitis (New Jersey serotype) has been identified only in **New Mexico**.

For additional VS information: [http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal\\_health/VS.html](http://www.cdfa.ca.gov/ahfss/animal_health/VS.html)

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