Resources for Horse Facility Operators

Regulatory Information:

San Francisco Bay Regional Water Quality Control Board - State authority for the region’s Confined Animal Facility regulatory program. For any questions related to the General Confined Animal Facility (CAF) Permit requirements, monitoring and reporting procedures, and/or to report a waste discharge, contact: Laurie Taul at 510-622-2508 or laurie.taul@waterboards.ca.gov. The General CAF Permit documents, forms, and the Statewide Water Quality Regulations for Confined Animal Facilities can be downloaded from the CAF Program page of the SF Bay RWQCB website:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water_issues/programs/TMDLs/agriculture/CAF.shtml

Additionally, a list of compliance assistance organizations can be found near the bottom of the Confined Animal Program webpage.

To learn more about Total Maximum Daily loads (clean water action plans) and the impaired water bodies near you, information is available on the website here:
http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/water_issues/programs/TMDLs/index.shtml

Technical Assistance:

Natural Resources Conservation Service/USDA – Free technical advice for farmers, ranchers, and private forestland owners, including equestrian facilities. Financial assistance available in the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) for developing a Comprehensive Nutrient Management Plan (CNMP) and then implementing practices identified in the CNMP.
https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/site/ca/home/

Further information and Resource Documents:

Marin County Stormwater Pollution Prevention Program – Horse Owners guides and other reference material focus on caring for the land, managing manure, and giving practical solutions to horse owners on what can be done to help protect the environment. http://www.marincounty.org/depts/pw/divisions/mcstoppp/general-public/horse-owners

Tomales Bay Watershed Council – Links to the presentations and handouts from the April 26th workshop. Download permit documents, forms, fact sheets, composting standard operating procedures, and more info on technical assistance. http://www.tomalesbaywatershed.org/horse-owners.html
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