## BCHI Education Report Respectfully submitted on February 26, 2019 by Marybeth Conger and Karen Kimball

An informational update about Idaho Equine Brand Inspections (S 1080)

On Feb 21,2019 the bill to raise the limits on horse inspection fees was heard by the Senate Agriculture Committee and it passed. The committee heard testimonies from Cody Burlile (Idaho Brand Inspector), DeEtte Lindberg (Idaho Horse Board), Ed McNelis (Idaho Horse Council), Tosch, an unnamed attorney from the Sheriff's office, Bob Naerebout (Idaho Dairymen's Assoc.), Arlynn Hacker (Idaho Horse Council), Senator Bracket, Mrs. Kriner (J. R. Simplot) and Wyatt Prescott and they all knocked it out of the park. The only testimony against, was heard from Delan Lee representing Farm Bureau. The bill will go on to the House which will be the hard part due to Judy Boyle's opposition. The Idaho Horse Board will let everyone know when the bill will be heard by the House Agricultural Committee. Patty Anne Lodge has been an amazing advocate for the Horse Industry in Idaho!

## Here's a BCHA Education update

The BCHA Education committee continues to support BCH chapters with meaningful training, helping chapters grow while supporting BCH mission. Saturday February 23 from 8:00 AM to Noon MST was the first ever BCHA Chapter/State Officers Roles & Responsibilities training webinar covering the President/Vice President, Director, Secretary, and Treasurer positions. Can you believe Back Country Horsemen and webinar are both in the same sentence? Now that is what I call progress! Anyways, current BCHA officers were the instructors sharing their BCH experiences with us during the presentations. There were 40 to 50 participants at each of the modules; a good turnout for the first time. A survey was sent to all attendees to gather feedback on how the education committee can improve future webinars. Also, the BCHA Education Committee has developed an education architecture spreadsheet that BCH members can use now. The spreadsheet has active links to many topics of interest. To view the spreadsheet that was recently sent to all BCH states, click here.

What's new with
The plan continues
to complete the LNT
Educator Course in
cancelled this course
due to fires. Only one
available now vs the
successful
will update all of the
on the BCHI website.
to all chapters to



for Marybeth Conger
STOCK Master
2019. BCHC has
the last two years,
annual course is
two in the past. After
completion, Marybeth
LNT training modules
Then a survey will go
identify LNT needs.

Karen Kimball has some LNT train the trainer course news to cover.

2018 LNT/Education hours are impressive
2,150 hours for total value of \$53,071.16
Kuddos to all BCHI members for these outstanding results

Visit your BCHI website often and click on the Education button

There you will find an LNT video, a BCHA overview slide presentation, a trail etiquette video, Horse Sense- guide to minimum impact horse camping Part 1 thru 7, safety posters, recruitment resources such as the BCHI placemat, BCHI wanted poster, a BCHA poster, chapter member training outlines and so many other educational resources.

	Was produced by the USDA and the US Forest Service
BCHA VIDEO	National Technology & Development Program in
Leave No Trace	cooperation with the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor
	Ethics.

<b>EDUCATION</b>	Includes information on Safety, Packing, Knots & Hitches,
<b>RESOURCES</b>	Dutch Oven Cooking, "Leave No Trace", Idaho Horse Trails,
	Public Awareness Education, and more.

## <u>BCHI Chapter Member</u> Prepared by BCHI members Training

Horse Sense --A Guide to Minimum Impact Horse Camping

How-to video series for Horse Camping. Series of 7 10-minute clips produced by the Backcountry Horsemen of Idaho North Central Chapter, The University of Idaho Natural Resources Lab and the NezPerce National Forest, Moose Creek Ranger District.

Part 1 Trip Preparation - Stock Conditioning and Grooming
Part 2 Trip Preparation - Horse Feed, Equipment and Tack
Part 3 Trip Preparation - Food, Kitchen Items and
Containment Systems

<u>Part 4</u> The Trip - Know the Area, Equipment List and Stock Hauling

<u>Part 5</u> The Trip - At the Trailhead, Packing the Cargo and Trail Conditions

<u>Part 6</u> The Camp Area - How to Reduce Impact with Stock Containment, Equipment and Camp

Part 7 The Camp Area and Home - Minimum Impact Camping, Day Trips, Breaking Camp and What To Do at Home

RECRUITING POSTERS

**Wanted Poster** 

Downloadable BCHI Placemat Design

**BCHA** 

**SAFETY POSTERS** 

What the Horse Sees - 11x17" - <u>Hiker poster</u>

What the Horse Sees - 11x17" - Biker poster

What the Horse Sees - 8x10" - Hiker poster

What the Horse Sees - 8x10" - Biker poster

Trail Etiquette for hikers, bikers, and horse riders on the National Forest [YouTube video from Forest Service]