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### **Equine Advocacy Organizations Form Partnership with Cruelty Investigators**

Chicago (EWA) – Wild Horse Freedom Federation (WHFF) and Equine Welfare Alliance (EWA) have announced a new working relationship with a team of professional undercover cruelty investigators. This new alliance will increase WHFF and EWA's ability to inform law enforcement, lawmakers, the media and the public regarding all forms of cruelty to domestic and wild equines.

Hard-nosed and effective, with a history of these successful investigations focused primarily on equine cruelty related to the horse slaughter pipeline, the work of the investigators has assisted enforcement agencies and exposed numerous inhumane conditions inherent to the horse slaughter world.

Their investigation of Three Angels Farms, already notorious for two recent accidents, revealed numerous blatant on-going transportation violations. The report has been widely used throughout the equine welfare community, publications and the TV news media.

"Investigations are a critical element in establishing equine welfare", said EWA President John Holland, "This partnership will allow us to better share resources and information and help coordinate our overall efforts on the most critical situations."

Holland points out that the Canadian Horse Defence Coalition (CHDC) has a similar relationship to arguably one of the most impressive undercover investigation programs in the world. That effort has provided video of horrific abuses in the major Canadian horse slaughter plants.

One member of the team, a certified cruelty investigator, is looking forward to branching out to investigations and observations of wild horses and burros.

EWA and WHFF are honored to be working with such high caliber investigators in their effort to provide documentation that will help to end the cruel practices surrounding slaughter of American horses and to help protect America's wild horses and burros.

Author and president of WHFF adds, "The central heart and core of Wild Horse Freedom Federation is to initiate responsible legal defense of our treasured horses and burros; this cannot be accomplished without quality, rock solid evidence and documentation. We are delighted that these professionals have joined our team and, hopefully, will aide us in securing the safety and future welfare of our American equines both domestic and wild."

Donations can be made through either website that will direct donations to a separate fund established by WHFF, a 501(c)(3) non-profit, ensuring 100% of donations will be used strictly for investigations.

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*The Equine Welfare Alliance (EWA) is a dues-free 501c4, umbrella organization with over 250 member organizations and hundreds of individual members worldwide in 18 countries. The organization focuses its efforts on the welfare of all equines and the preservation of wild equids.*

<http://www.equinewelfarealliance.org/>

*Wild Horse Freedom Federation (WHFF) is a registered, Texas non-profit corporation with federal 501c3 standing. WHFF puts people between America's wild equids and extinction through targeted litigation against governmental agencies whose documented agendas include the eradication of wild horse and burros from public, federal and state lands. WHFF is funded exclusively through the generosity of the American public.*

<http://wildhorsefreedomfederation.org/>