

# Equine ID Subcommittee of the Animal Identification & Information Systems

## 2005 Mid-Year Report

The Equine ID subcommittee met during the annual conference in April 2005. The business session discussion was around topics where the industry needs to focus direction, which includes:

- Standards – (performance)
- What type methods of ID we recommend
- Movement
- Application – how will veterinarians, producers, owners and/or others apply the recommended method(s) of ID in the industry?

As a first step, the subcommittee submits the following recommendation for consideration:

- The NIAA Equine ID subcommittee meets quarterly and in conjunction with the NAIS Equine Species Working Group (ESWG) as an effort to move forward with overall goals / objectives.
- The resolution presented the NIAA Equine ID Subcommittee in April 2005, and passed by the Animal ID and Info Systems committee, was instrumental in the ESWG formulating and creating a similar recommendation for their more in depth series of recommendation on equine ID as they relate to the NAIS.
- No revisions or additional resolutions are proposed at this time however they may surface by April 2006.
- During the 2005 NIAA ID / Info Expo, the subcommittee and ESWG were encouraged to get behind premises and animal ID. To put the suggestion into action, the NIAA Equine ID Subcommittee and ESWG Committee on Horse ID and Technology will work together to address the issue of standards related to performance and applications.
- It is anticipated that an update on this subject along with any findings be presented in April 2006. In addition, six speakers who were unable to participate in the Equine Session during the ID/Info Expo due to Katrina and Rita will be again invited to present during that annual meeting.