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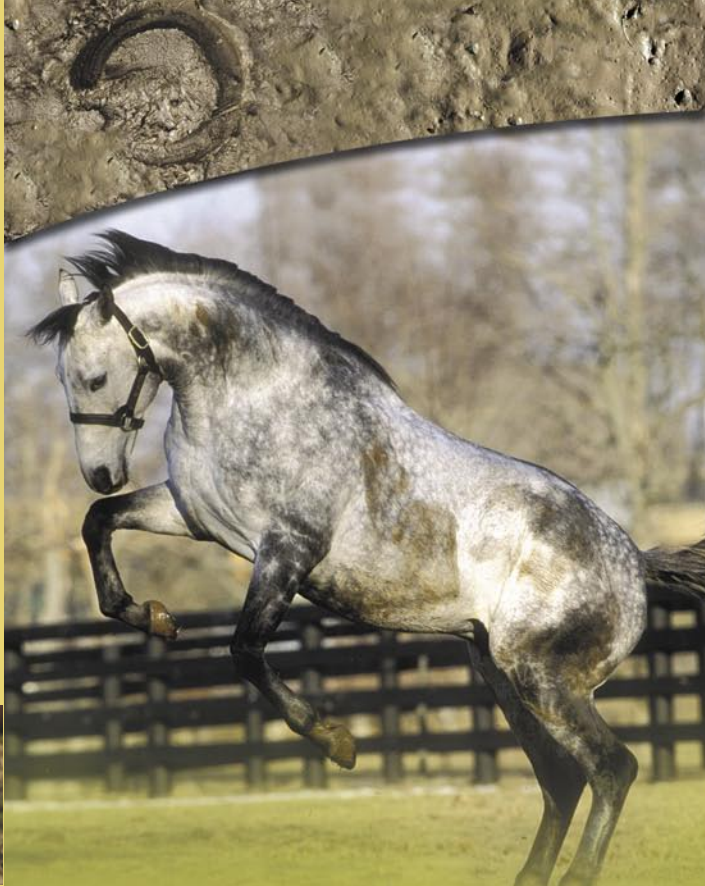
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Get out of the
mud...



LIVESTOCK AND LAND

BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES CAN HELP!

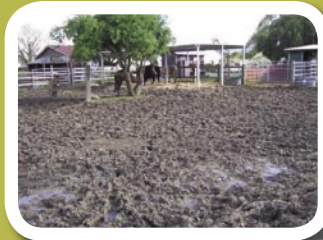
What are Best Management Practices?

BMP's are practical measures implemented on properties to help protect natural resources by addressing issues such as mud, manure, drainage, erosion, and pasture and paddock maintenance.



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» **BEFORE:** LOTS of mud!



» **AFTER:** Exclusionary fencing and grading for proper drainage. Easier to clean and no mud!



» **BEFORE:** Manure stored on the ground



» **AFTER:** Covered manure bunker with concrete floor



» **BEFORE:** Very muddy arena



» **AFTER:** Proper drainage significantly reduced pooling and sediment runoff

The Livestock and Land Program is a partnership between the local Resource Conservation Districts, Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and non-profit Ecology Action.

Resource Conservation Districts (RCDs) are special districts in each county whose goal is to protect and enhance natural resources within their communities through information, education, technical assistance and cost-share programs. RCDs understand issues at the neighborhood level and are governed by elected landowners who reside in the district. RCDs have a long standing partnership with the NRCS to provide valuable technical assistance on conservation projects. Together with ranchers, farmers, private property owners, educators, non-profits, community organizations, local governments and many others, the RCD strives to find collaborative local solutions to local problems.

HELP FOR LIVESTOCK OWNERS

The Livestock and Land Program offers assistance to livestock property owners in implementing and understanding BMPs through:

- Funding for land improvements
- Free site visits and consultations
- Workshops and trainings
- Publications and brochures

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS

Would you like to visit a BMP demonstration site?

We have 18 properties that have implemented a variety of Best Management Practices and are available for public viewing upon request. To visit one of these sites contact your local RCD office.

Would you like to talk to a local landowner who has taken advantage of our services?



Tim Foley: Program participant, Peer Leader and Demonstration Site Owner.

Our Peer Leader Program gives local livestock owners a chance to speak with a community member who has received assistance or funding from the Livestock and Land Program. For a list of local Peer Leaders contact your local RCD office or visit www.livestockandland.org.

HELPING YOU

BMPs can:

- Enrich animal health
- Ease operations
- Enhance land aesthetics
- Improve safety
- Reduce flies
- May even increase property values

HELPING THE COMMUNITY

BMPs can:

- Improve local water quality
- Improve air quality
- Boost neighborhood relationships
- Encourage community collaboration

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OR visit us online at
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