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CHRB UPDATE ON REVIEW OF SUDDEN DEATHS

The California Horse Racing Board is continuing its ongoing review of sudden deaths in racehorses. Given that one barn at Hollywood Park housed a relatively high number of the sudden deaths that occurred over the last two years, CHRB investigators have taken steps to determine if there was a relationship between the barn and sudden deaths. Interviews were conducted with the personnel at that barn, including the trainer, assistant trainer, and veterinarians. All were very cooperative and provided all relevant information. Environmental possibilities as a cause are also being evaluated and tests will be conducted. The pathology and toxicology work has been completed on those horses with no indication of foul play. This aspect of the review is believed to have been as thorough of an examination as has ever been done anywhere in the world with such cases.

This is all of the information the CHRB is releasing prior to a final report to be issued upon completion of the review.

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