

WATERSHED PROTECTION PROGRAM

Welcome to Lake Winnapasuckee!

The lovely blue water of Lake Winnapasuckee is here for your enjoyment. It is also here for consumption by the 35,000 residents of Wobegon, ILL. The surrounding acreage is watershed. With this in mind, the following regulations have been adopted by the Lake Winnapasuckee Watershed Protection Administration (LWWPA).

1. All horses must be equipped with an OSHA- and EPA-approved HECD (Horse Excrement Containment Device) (aka "snood") rated for the duration of your excursion (1, 2, 4, 6 hr; 1, 2, 4, 8 day).
2. You must file an EP (Excursion Plan) with the Administrator not less than sixty days in advance of your trip. This EP will show phone contact number, your ETD and ETA, your anticipated route, the estimated duration of each segment, the location of each ECF (Excrement Collection Facility), estimated volume of HE to be deposited, make and model of horse; make, model and serial number(s) of ECD, and many other useless details. (See attached).
3. The Plan Administrator shall make available to you "Protecting Our Watershed" (in booklet or video format) no later than thirty days before your excursion. You must review this material and return it postage prepaid with Form 237.19a completed, certifying that you have read and understood all rules and regulations appertaining to your desire to enjoy a simple and pleasurable horse-back ride into the "wilderness". In the event of policy violations, your executed Form 237.19a will be used by the LWWPA to cover its ass, and all we ask from you is that you do the same for your horses.
4. You must also supply a Veterinarian's certification that your horse (if not using those supplied) does not have IBS (Irritable Bowel Syndrome). Also required is a Certificate of Compliance with the MOGGRA of 1995 (Methane and Other Greenhouse Gases Reduction Act). Bring an adequate supply of Hay-O!
5. 1987 Amendments (Section 183, 185 and 196(c)i *et. seq.* were added to the Wildlife Protection Act of 1837 to Prevent Unplanned Excretion. The act prohibits approaching or disturbing wildlife (if any) in any way that might cause them to have an accidental release. The "wild" animals you meet in the watershed have all been trained to use special facilities for excretion (except the birds and the fish - and we all know what *they* do in the water).
6. You must have on file with the Administrator contingency plans against possible failure of the horse, the HECD, or yourself.
7. Departures will be approved by the administrator for each day after compilation of all EPs, taking into account the rated capacity of the various ECFs to be visited. Modified EPs may be issued to you, and you will be notified at the phone number on your EP of any such changes. Modified EPs may be issued up to and including five minutes prior to departure on your excursion.
8. Snoods may be removed from horses only at designated areas surrounding the ECFs, and then ONLY for the duration necessary for transferring the snood contents to the collection apparatus. Any other removal of snoods from horses is a punishable offense which may land you in jail, or 6 months' duty at an ECF.
9. Watering troughs are strategically placed along bridle paths. Horses may drink ONLY from these troughs. ONLY horses may drink from these troughs. Water fountains for humans are placed elsewhere - it is up to you to find where they are hidden.
10. Comfort facilities for humans have been placed at other strategic locations for your use. Pay no attention to the fact that these drain into Lake Winnapasuckee - it is a problem we are working on, but money from permit sales is siphoned off by Mr. Gingrich to help reduce the budget deficit. Funding is expected to resume in 2006.
11. Accidental discharge of horse droppings is likely to get Lake Winnapasuckee declared a Superfund Site, but in any case the HazMat teams MUST be called in whenever this occurs. This disrupts everyone, as the special vacu-tainerizing equipment and a dozen operators must often be flown in by helicopter. Please police your horse!
12. Keep those snoods tight and snug, low around the belly. Leakage is highly undesirable (see Item 11).
13. At road intersections, pay attention to possible passage of "Honey-buckets": these are the trucks which haul the material collected at the ECFs to neighboring farms where it nourishes your potatoes. The drivers of these vehicles have been known to intentionally try to hit horses, so be careful!
14. Up-horse has the right-of-way. Violators will be cited!
15. For special instructions on what to do if your horse gets "frisky", see page 345 *et. seq.* of the HECD Operation and Maintenance Manual.
16. Wilful violation of any of the policies enumerated in this or any other obscure document some over-zealous Officer might try to stick you with will be punishable by excessive fines, draconian measures, and possibly horse-whipping.
17. Stay on the friggin trails!

Have a nice Trip!!

OUR MOTTO: NO SHIT!!