

HORSE SLAUGHTER ADVOCATES WANT YOU TO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS HOW WE SHOULD TREAT OUR HORSES



USDA photo obtained by Animals' Angels

A 2007 USDA photo of a horse at a horse slaughterhouse with injuries sustained during US "regulated" transport to slaughter. This photo was part of a FOIA request containing hundreds of photos and reports of problems during transport to slaughter. These photos, along with undercover investigations and video footage from numerous sources, show widespread abuse and neglect in "regulated" US, Mexican and Canadian horse slaughter facilities.

SO THIS MIGHT NOT HAPPEN

Horse slaughter advocates are showing pictures of horses starving supposedly because they were not sent to slaughter following closure of the three remaining plants under state law. However, they have no proof of a connection between abandonment and horse slaughter. This photo is of a Texas horse severely starved in 2005 when there were two horse slaughterhouses in operation within a short drive. The owner did not send the horse to slaughter, but chose to abuse the animal.

Those defending horse slaughter fail to point out that the slaughter of American horses has not stopped, they are simply being shipped over our borders to Mexico and Canada for slaughter there. In fact, more American horses will be slaughtered in 2009 than in 2007 when three foreign-owned plants were operating in the US.



Photo provided by Habitat for Horses

ABUSE BY ANY NAME IS WRONG AND ILLEGAL. Neither of these forms of cruelty are acceptable. Substituting one form of cruelty for another is not the answer.

These are two wrongs we must make right!

Please support the Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act (S. 727/H.R. 503)