

## State of Indiana Indiana Horse Racing Commission

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The Indiana Downs track surface will be closed for racing and training on Friday, June 15, 2012 and Saturday, June 16, 2012.

The Indiana Horsemen's Benevolent & Protective Association ("IHBPA") has petitioned the Indiana Horse Racing Commission ("IHRC"), seeking relief from an allegedly dangerous racing surface. This cancellation is being done in the exercise of an abundance of caution to protect the safety of horse and rider.

The IHRC staff, working in conjunction with the stewards, will conduct an investigation of the HBPA's allegations and will report its findings to the Commission. A decision regarding racing the remainder of the race meet will likely be made by Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

Indiana Downs has had an admirable track safety record—well within industry norms. The current race meet is on pace to be one of the safest meets in the United States in 2012.

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