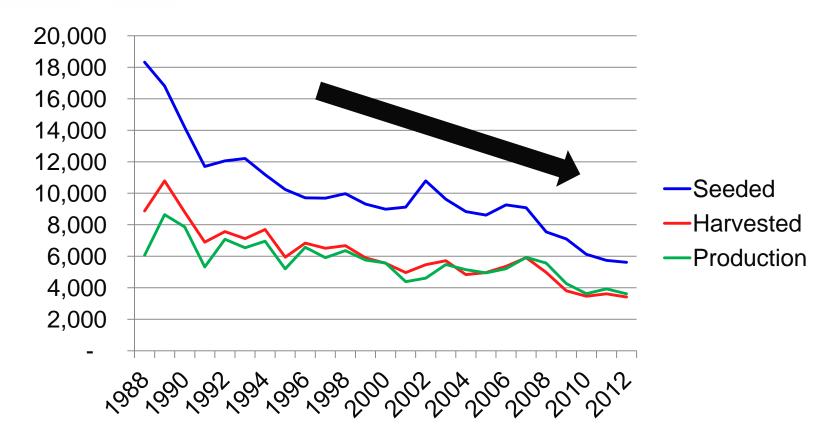
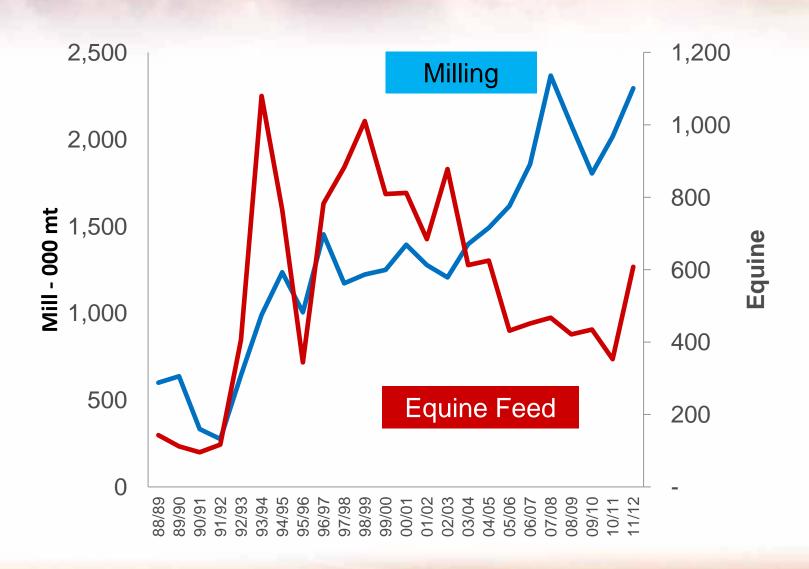




#### **North American Oat Stats**



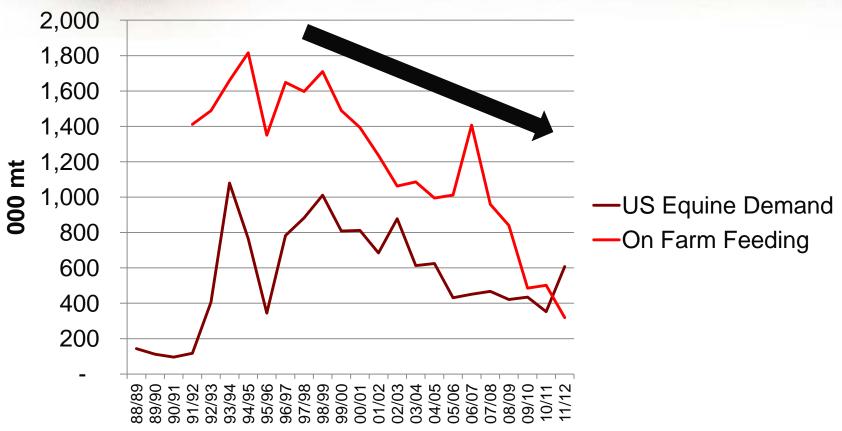
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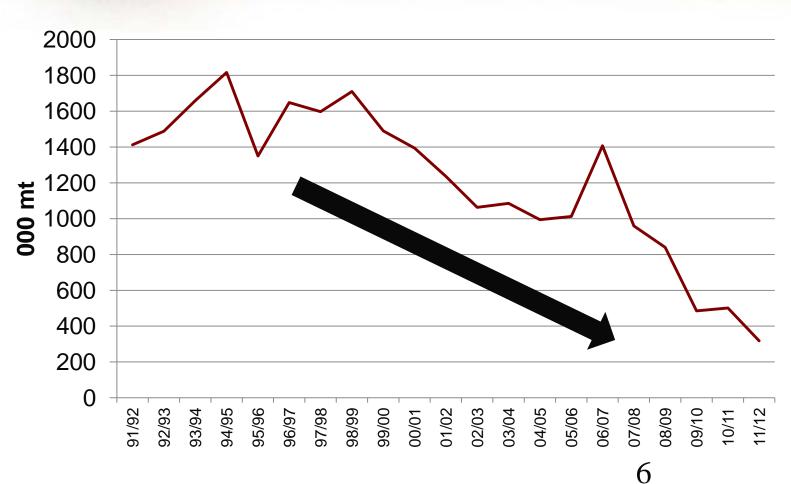
#### What Reduced Equine Demand

- Oat prices increased relative to corn, barley, wheat mids and rice bran
- Push towards pelleted/complete feeds
- Over emphasises on reducing starch in healthy horses
- No advocate for oats

# Total Canadian Feed Use



#### W. Canada On-Farm Feed Use





 Increase consumption of oats in Equine Markets

Push the "Price Envelope"



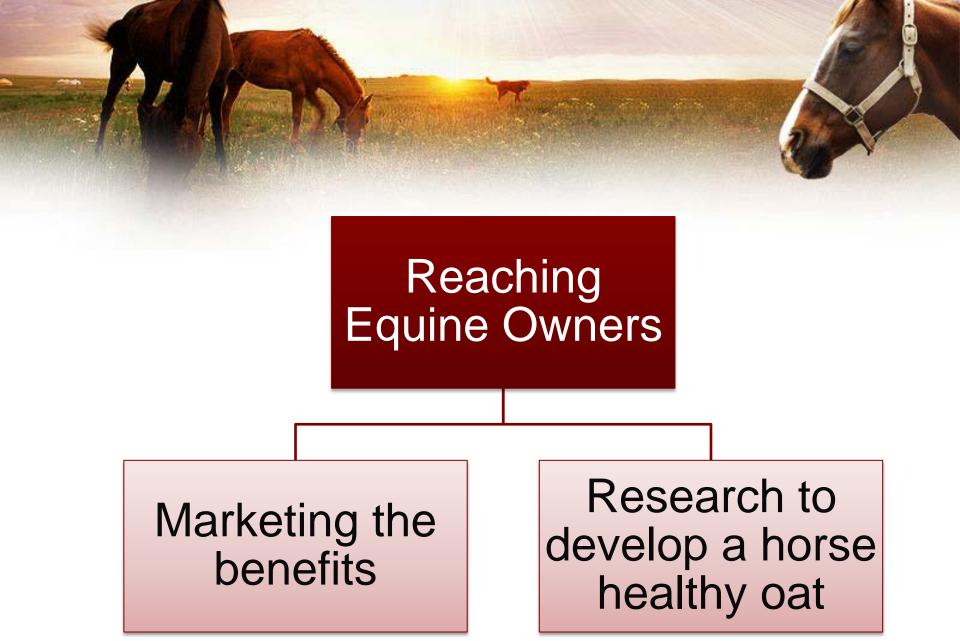
- Strategic imperative Stem the long-term decline in Canadian oat area and production.
- Medium term Increase oat demand in U.S. equine markets---which will increase oat area/production.
- Increased predictability of oat supply and price.
- Create more robust oat demand market.
- Improve oat nutritional value for human and equine markets.
- Increase value of oats for growers, food companies and equine feed manufacturers.



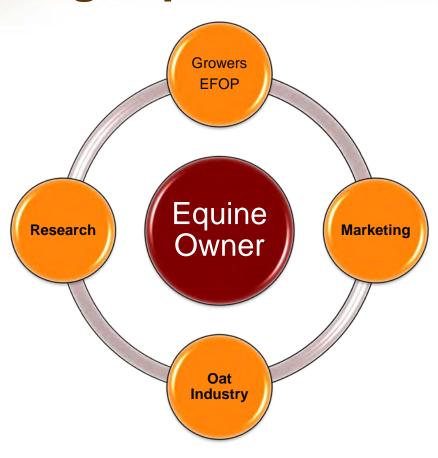
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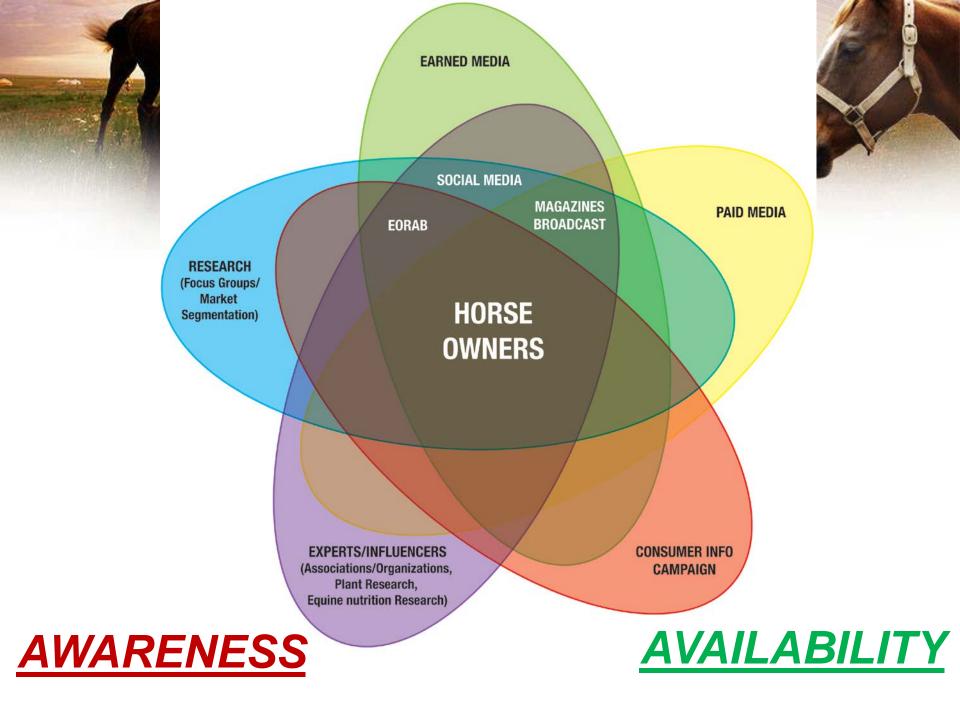
Equine Feed Oat Project

Equine Owner











#### Research

- Nutritional and plant breeding research
- Will provide long term growth for oats in equine markets
- Equine Oat Research Advisory Board
  - 23 members from across the equine industry
  - Determine research to be funded
- Working with oat millers to ensure continuity

#### Working with Industry

- Working with Expert Influencers
  - Veterinarians
  - Farriers
  - Equine Feed manufactures
  - Equine Nutritional Researchers
  - Grain Companies
  - Oat Millers

















### How Much Gain Can We Expect?

		Forecasted	Long term objective		
Total US Horses (USDA 2005)		9,000,000	9,000,000		
"Half Rule"		4,500,000	4,500,000		
Additional oats per day (lbs)		0.25	2.2		
				W. Canada's 3rd	
Total oats consumed			la	largest export	
	Pounds	1,125,000	9,918,000		
	Metric tonnes	186,256	1,642,036		

## **EFOP Funding Objectives**

- Fund fully the objectives in 2012 EFOP Business Plan
  - **2012- \$1.23 million, 2013 \$1.32 & 2014 \$1.18**
- Obtain funding from oat industry and governments.
- Three-year commitment
- Spread the cost of funding the EFOP on an equitable basis, across the industry
- Engage entire oat industry in EFOP and develop synergies with food/feed companies, equine nutritional research, equine veterinarians and oat plant breeders

#### Keys to the Future of Oats

- Higher oat yields could help but not without increased physical demand
- Without volume, oat area slides into a "contract crop" status – Equine is that volume
- Need to innovate
- "Critical Mass" and Momentum
- Growers need take control of their oat market through POGA

## Do We Really Need an Expanded Oat Market?

- Canada is <u>THE</u> major oat market
- Low input/risk, good returns
- Needed diversity
  - Disease issues
- Markets are cyclical
  - Need to develop synergies
- EU-Canada free trade agreement



