

A photograph of four people and a dog on a trail. On the left, a young man in a red shirt and white shorts stands with a bicycle. Next to him is a man in a grey shirt and khaki shorts. In the background, a woman in a pink shirt and blue pants is riding a brown horse. On the right, a man in a light blue shirt and jeans stands holding a leash. In the foreground, a large black and white dog is sitting. The background is filled with green trees and foliage.

Sharing the Trails Safely

**Three
S's**

Stop, Stand, and Speak

BCHW Peninsula Chapter



Common Courtesy On the Trail

- ❖ Respect Trail Restrictions
- ❖ Be Considerate
- ❖ Be Watchful
- ❖ Slow Down - Poor Sight Lines
- ❖ Keep Noise and Dust Down
- ❖ Keep Your Ears Listening
- ❖ Keep Pets Under Control

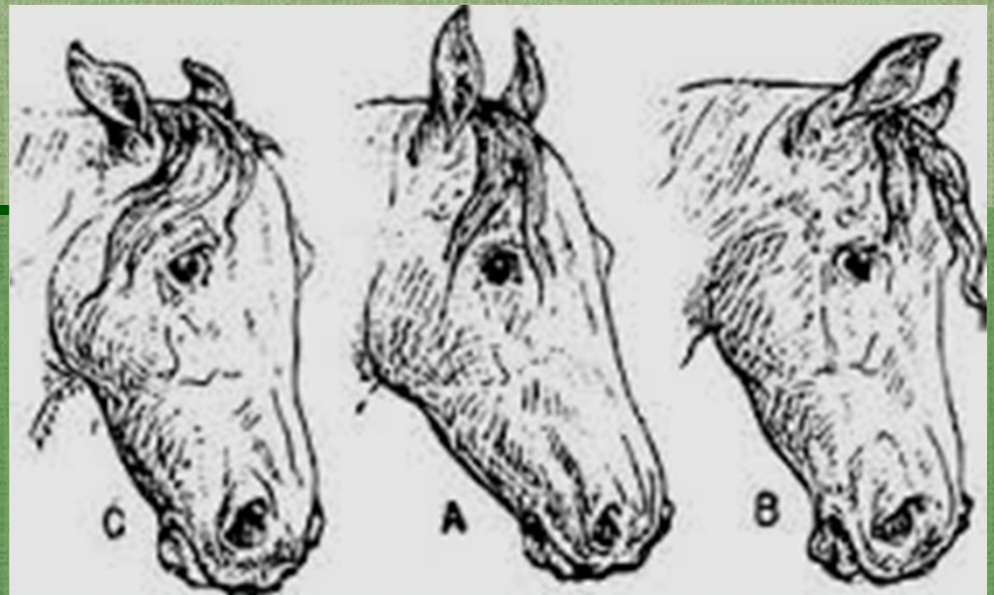


Equine Behaviors

★ Personalities and Temperaments

Calm,
but...which is

Attentive?
Concerned?
Afraid?

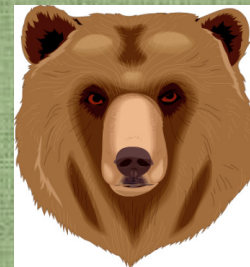


Equine Behaviors

★ Horses Are Prey Animals

★ Fright = Flight

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Stop, Stand, and Speak

- Stop - all movement can be perceived as aggressive.
- Stand - to the side, downhill is best if safe, anything above the head is a predator.
- Speak - smile! Horses can read your face. Say "Hello, how are you?" or "It's a nice day." Speak clearly, but don't shout.

***Take off your pack, remove your helmet,
Get off your bike (ORV), ask what you can do.***

The Three S's On The Trail

Stopped

Standing &
Speaking

with
Smiling Faces



Hiker Meets Packer Mountain High!

- ✓ Hiker standing to the side.
- ✓ Rider keeping an eye on pack animals.
- ✓ Hiker watching stock.
- ✓ Hiker on safe side.



Meeting

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Bicyclist

➤ Biker moved downhill side.

➤ Rider responding to biker with a thank you and wave.

➤ Horse is attentive, but calm.



Slow Down!

Limited Sight Line



Intersection has potential for collision or negative interaction. Go slowly, announce your location, listen for others.



Remember

“Yield the Trail” signs provide only the basic guidelines for trail safety.

Interactions will occur that will require the knowledgeable, courteous, respectful cooperation of all trail users.