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**Thoroughbred Racing SA investigation into horse remains**

Thoroughbred Racing SA has been working closely with authorities following the discovery of the remains of a number of horses found in a conservation park south of Adelaide.

TRSA Chief Executive Jim Watters said the discovery is very concerning and stewards are working with authorities at the Environment Protection Agency (EPA) and the Department of Water, Environment and Natural Resources (DEWNR) to identify those responsible for the disposal of the remains of 12 dead horses.

The area where the remains were found has been examined by the TRSA stewards department, including the veterinarian, and evidence gathered from the site will form part of the investigation into the matter. At this stage, two horses have been identified as unraced thoroughbreds.

“As well as the investigation by the relevant government agencies, TRSA will also ensure this matter is fully investigated to determine whether any Rule of Racing has been breached by any licensed or registered person in the industry,” Mr Watters said.

“Integrity and animal welfare are extremely important to us.”

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