## <u>Movements of horses between Australia</u> and Hong Kong fully resumed

The Agriculture, Fisheries and Conservation Department announced today (November 25) that the Australian Government Department of Agriculture (DA) has fully resumed the movements of horses between Australia and Hong Kong.

The DA's assessment of Guangzhou's Equine Disease Free Zone, the Conghua Racecourse (CRC) and the biosecurity passage via which horses are transported between Hong Kong and the CRC has been completed. The assessment concluded that the suite of biosecurity controls that are in place met Australia's import standards and that accordingly Hong Kong should regain its status as an approved jurisdiction for the export of horses to Australia. Effective immediately, horses can be exported directly from Hong Kong to Australia as before the suspension.