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Abu Dhabi Equestrian Center and Racecourse United Arab Emirates	OPENING DATE : 2010	COST IN MILLIONS : \$480	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : Major racetrack exists; building equestrian center for FEI competition and Olympic qualifiers, which costs about \$135 million; all urban infill; rebuilding the riding academy; two indoor arenas, four outdoor arenas, stadium jumping venues; outdoor track with 6,000 seats; training facility. Adding health spa and wellness center; renovation of existing nine-hole golf course at track infield. In design/engineering phase.			
Maryland State Horse Park Anne Arundel County	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$120	ARCHITECT : GH2-Gralla Architects & Richter Cornbrooks Gribble
FEATURES : Maryland Stadium Authority has selected an 840 acre site. Planning 1,200 stalls, two indoor arenas, one major outdoor show arena; six outdoor arenas; Steeplechase course with an infield Grand Prix course; four dressage arenas; 3.5 km cross country course, visitor center and horse museum. Project on hold pending site entitlements.			
Apache Junction Rodeo Park and Event Center Arizona	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$23	ARCHITECT : J2 Architects
FEATURES : Involves 11 phases. The first, a restroom/concessions building and covered bleachers costs \$750,000 and will be completed in January 2008. \$4 million in roadways and parking is next. A tractor museum is in the master plan. Owners produce Lost Dutchman Days Rodeo and Community Fair.			
Hardy-Murphy Coliseum Ardmore, Okla.	OPENING DATE : Spring 2008	COST IN MILLIONS : \$6	ARCHITECT : GH2 (Gralla Architects)
FEATURES : Opened in 1938, renovated in 1996. Adding 200 stalls (total 560) and an indoor practice arena. The completed facility will have 3 indoor arenas and 1 outdoor arena. Under construction.			
South Dakota State University Equestrian Center Brookings	OPENING DATE : Dec. 10, 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$5.6	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : Under construction. To house the university rodeo and equestrian teams and regional collegiate events, with one indoor arena, one outdoor arena, and 80 permanent stalls.			
Southeastern Kentucky Agricultural Center Corbin	OPENING DATE : Summer 2008	COST IN MILLIONS : \$16	ARCHITECT : Bullock Smith & Partners
FEATURES : 4,800 fixed seats, 2,500 portable seats; for equestrian and other uses; 200 portable stalls. State money, city owned.			
Royal Highland Agricultural Society of Scotland Edinburgh	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : BS&P
FEATURES : Master plan complete.			
Davis County Fair Farmington, Utah	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
FEATURES : 50 acre site. Major highway right of way may force reconstruction of some of the buildings.			
Florence Rodeo Grounds Arizona	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : J2
FEATURES : Master plan being updated for Recreational Purpose and Parks Lease with Bureau of Land Management. Looking at adding a model airplane park across the highway. Nonprofit run by The Posse.			
Alachua County Fair Coliseum & Arena Gainesville, Fla.	OPENING DATE : Fall 2009	COST IN MILLIONS : \$20	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
FEATURES : County owned; 5,000-seat equestrian center.			
Lake County Fair Grayslake, Ill.	OPENING DATE : 2008	COST IN MILLIONS : \$14	ARCHITECT : BS&P
FEATURES : Purchased new farm; sold current fairgrounds. Will relocate after next year's fair, July 22-27, 2008.			
Montana National Golf Resort Helena	OPENING DATE : Spring 2010	COST IN MILLIONS : \$9	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : High-end development on 6,000 acres, looking at equestrian park as an anchor for the planned community. Has access to public land. One of several "lifestyle" projects on GH2's calendar. In design/engineering, construction start estimated October 2008.			
Dongseo Racecourse Kunyam Province, South Korea	OPENING DATE : Nov. 2011	COST IN MILLIONS : \$400	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : Part of 4,000 hectare international entertainment resort with 5 golf courses, 3 hotels, casino, theme park, deep water marina, and internal monorail transport system. New international racecourse featuring three tracks, 960 stalls, 4 blocks of international stables, groom dormitories, commissary, equestrian surgical center, 12,000 seat "all glass" clubhouse, internal monorail station, high speed rail station. Master plan complete — in design/engineering.			
Northwest Las Vegas Equestrian Park	OPENING DATE : Summer 2009	COST IN MILLIONS : \$36	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : First phase costs \$12 million and includes two 120-stall barns, main 5,000-seat, indoor coliseum and three outdoor arenas along with an RV park. City owned. Delayed pending funding agreement between Clark County and City of Las Vegas.			
Kentucky Horse Park Lexington	OPENING DATE : July 2009	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : GH2 is designing new stabling for the 2010 World Equestrian Games, involving the redevelopment of the existing stable areas. 800 new stalls and practice arenas, mounted patrol headquarters, and equine triage unit. Design started in October 2007.			
Nebraska State Fair Lincoln	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$175	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
FEATURES : Proposal to relocate the fair; involves new 6,000-seat arena, 815,000 sq. ft. of space. Tentative.			
Gloucester County Dream Park Logan Township, N.J.	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$13	ARCHITECT : BS&P
FEATURES : 55,000-sq.-ft., 500-seat arena; 12,000 sq. ft. exhibition building, 240 stalls in two barns; 46-stall resident stable with attached manager apartment. Located 25 miles from downtown Philadelphia on 1,500 acres. Design complete.			
Collin County Equestrian Center McKinney, Texas	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$36	ARCHITECT : GH2
FEATURES : Acquiring 100 acres to expand site. Will have 360 stalls, two indoor arenas, 4,500-seat coliseum, two outdoor arenas, 35,000sf multi-use facility. In design phase.			

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Medicine Hat Stampede Alberta	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
	FEATURES : Design phase.		
EPIC Equestrian Center Mercer County, W. Va.	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Joint venture among Mercer County, and Princeton and Bluefield, W.Va. Crossroads Consulting is doing the feasibility study. Have 2,800 acres. Planned Recreational Community development with retail/housing/commercial/golf with Multi-Use Equestrian Park as the hub. Planning and pre-design completed in October. Construction cost and financial projections to be released in November.		
Briarwood Township Merriweather County, Ga.	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Part of a high-end planned community with lifestyle amenities. 400-acre Olympic calibre equestrian venue focusing on Cross-Country, Dressage and Hunter-Jumper venues. Equine venues will be integrated in village setting with entertainment, retail and high-end lodging facilities. Started programming planning in October 2007.		
North Dakota State Fair Minot	OPENING DATE : 2009 (tent.)	COST IN MILLIONS : \$10	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
	FEATURES : Fair owned, considering 7,000-seat arena.		
Oklahoma State Fair Park Oklahoma City	OPENING DATE : Jan. 2010	COST IN MILLIONS : \$60	ARCHITECT : GH2 (Gralla Architects)
	FEATURES : Construction Package 7 was completed in October 2007, which includes the new 1,060-stall SuperBarn with sliding partition stalls serving the Norick Coliseum. Construction Package 8, including a new premium RV park was also completed in October. Construction Package 9, beginning in January, consists of a new indoor climate-controlled show arena, new stall barn and renovation of an existing stall barn. Construction Package 10 will follow in January 2009, which consists of a new stall barn and renovation of the last remaining existing stall barns.		
Southern Nazarene University Oklahoma City	OPENING DATE : Fall 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$12	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : 2,500-seat indoor show arena; three 120-stall barns, outgrowth of school's equine program. Design complete. Awaiting site entitlements for construction.		
Queen Creek Equestrian Center Arizona	OPENING DATE : Early 2009	COST IN MILLIONS : \$12	ARCHITECT : J2 Architects and BS&P
	FEATURES : 37 acre site; 1,500 seat arena, three warm up arenas; community arena, 100 stalls with two future 100-stall barns; round pen, restrooms. Near landfill site. Owned by city; viewed as multi-purpose.		
The Meadow at the State Fair of Virginia Richmond	OPENING DATE : Spring 2009	COST IN MILLIONS : \$75	ARCHITECT : BS&P
	FEATURES : In financing stage now. Drawings are complete. Fair, which averages 250,000 attendance, will move, but timing is tentative.		
Nueces County Heritage Center Robstown, Texas	OPENING DATE : Late 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$60	ARCHITECT : Bullock Smith & Partners (BS&P)
	FEATURES : 5,000-seat arena, 3,000-seat show ring. To be managed by Global Spectrum. Part of a complex that includes a minor league baseball stadium which opened in 2005. Plan to start a fair.		
Beaumont Park Racecourse St. Kitts (Caribbean)	OPENING DATE : Nov. 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$16	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : New racecourse featuring 7/8-mile main sand track, 120 stalls, independent training center, 2500-seat open-air grandstand/casino.		
University of Minnesota Equine Center St. Paul	OPENING DATE : Oct. 15, 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$14	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Ultra-modern equine surgical and lameness research center with surgical facilities, high speed incline equine treadmills, indoor arena with overlooking multi-use rooms, stabling, classrooms, labs, etc.		
Utah State Fair Equestrian Cntr. Salt Lake City	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$19	ARCHITECT : BS&P
	FEATURES : State owned; 2,800 fixed seats, 2,200 bleacher seats, 70,000 sq. ft. of exhibit space. Drawings ready to take to the state.		
San Antonio (Texas) Livestock Expo Equestrian Center	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : HOK Smith Forkner
	FEATURES : 2,000-seat arena.		
Westworld, Scottsdale Arizona	OPENING DATE : Dec. 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$63	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Completed in the last 12 months: \$520,000 on restroom facilities; \$380,000 each on five new horse barns; a \$125,000 free-standing show office; \$165,000 bleachers; site work and design for new 240,000 sq. ft. multi-use facility; utility upgrades; construction of temporary 120,000 sq. ft. fabric structure to support multi-use events during construction of the new facilities.		
Sheridan County Fair & Wyoming Rodeo Sheridan, Wyo.	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : \$52	ARCHITECT : GSG Architects and Dale Buckingham Architects
	FEATURES : County-owned; 2,500-seat arena; 40,000 sq. ft. exhibit building, admin; 300 stalls; 9,000-seat grandstand; one-half mile track; two outdoor arenas; 4-H building.		
San Patricio County Showgrounds Sinton, Texas	OPENING DATE : Late 2007	COST IN MILLIONS : \$19.3	ARCHITECT : BS&P
	FEATURES : To house junior livestock show and San Patricio County Agricultural and Homemaking Show. 2,500-seat covered arena, 1,500-seat show ring, 1,000-capacity banquet hall, two barns.		
Salt Lake County Equestrian Park South Jordan, Utah	OPENING DATE : TBD	COST IN MILLIONS : TBD	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Wrapping up planning and preliminary design. Includes new 76,000 sq. ft. indoor arena with 500 fixed seats; public and office space; 220 new stalls; two outdoor arenas; 12 horse walkers; new cattle handling facilities, polo-multi-use turf field.		
Wickenburg Ranch Equestrian Center Arizona	OPENING DATE : Late 2010	COST IN MILLIONS : \$9	ARCHITECT : GH2
	FEATURES : Part of a high-end 2,000-unit planned community with lifestyle amenities. \$9 million phase one facility with covered show/event arena with 1,000 seats, VIP clubhouse and box seats, 200 stalls, 60 high-end boarding/training stalls, covered practice arena, outdoor event venues. Will begin construction October 2008.		

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