

# CHUTE EIGHT WHISKEY RISING IN NATIONAL PROMINENCE

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A piece of Hermiston history is rising in prominence, as Chute Eight Whiskey has become well-known at rodeos around the west. Recently, rodeos in Santa Fe, New Mexico and Colorado Springs, Colorado, named the beverage, which is named after

Farm-City Pro Rodeo's bar and entertainment venue, as their official whiskey.

The beverage was created with the intention of bringing money back to rodeo contestants, according to rodeo board member Dennis Barnett.

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Butch Knowles sits horseback during the video shoot for Chute Eight American Whiskey. The promotional video was shot earlier this year on Knowles' ranch along Butter Creek south of Hermiston.



David Bothum (left) and Butch Knowles (right) pose for a photo with the production crew working on a video commercial for Chute Eight American Whiskey that was shot earlier this year on Knowles' ranch south of Hermiston.

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