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In Reply Refer

To:
4700
(NV-032)

Dear Interested Public:

FEB 27 2001

This letter is to inform you that the Carson City Field Office plans to remove excess wild horses from the Bedell Flat area, which is outside of the Granite Peak Herd Management Area (HMA). The need for this action is twofold:

Approximately 35 wild horses have established home ranges outside of the HMA, which is not in conformance with the Granite Peak Herd Management Area Plan/Capture Plan and EA (HMAP, 1993), The Wild Horse and Burro Act, and applicable regulations.

More urgently, a wild fire burned approximately 7,500 acres within the home ranges of these horses. As part of the fire rehabilitation process, the Bureau has reseeded the burned area. Seeded areas are very vulnerable to grazing, especially by horses and livestock. All horses and livestock need to be restricted from seeded areas for two growing seasons or until seedlings are established. Grazing burned areas increases the likelihood that invasive weeds will become established and retards the establishment of desirable native vegetation.

The authority for these actions is contained in 43 CFR 4710.4, 4720.1, 4740.1, 4740.2, and The Wild Horse and Burro Act of 1971(Public Law 92-195).

If you have any questions concerning these actions, please contact John Axtell at the above address or call (775) 885-6146.

Sincerely,

Daniel Jacquet
Assistant Manager, Renewable Resources
Carson City Field Office

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In reply refer to:
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(NV-03480)

Memorandum

To: Files, through Lahontan Area Manager *Comp 12/15/95*
From: Lahontan Wild Horse & Burro Specialist *JR 13 Dec 93*
Subject: Post Removal Rates of Population Increase.

During the past several years, several HMAs underwent essentially complete removals of all animals under the age of 10 years. In several cases a successive gather was conducted 2 years later. Thus accurate post removal rates of increase were obtained for several HMAs and are summarized below.

FLANIGAN HMA:

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Between 1989 and 1991 the wild horse population increased from 427 to 550 head or 14% per year.

During the fall of 1991 virtually all wild horses were captured from the Flanigan HMA and surrounding area, only horses 10 years or older were released back into the HMA. After the removal was completed 122 wild horses remained in the HMA and surrounding area. The Fort Sage HMA lies to the east of the Flanigan HMA, therefore, it is possible that some horses from the Fort Sage HMA may spend part of the time in areas of the Flanigan Allotment outside of the Flanigan HMA making them impossible to distinguish from the Flanigan horses. Therefore, the census numbers from the Fort Sage HMA were combined with the census from the Flanigan HMA and Allotment. Thus in 1991 after the removal 158 wild horses remained in the Flanigan HMA, Fort Sage HMA and other areas of the Flanigan grazing Allotment. Two years later in July of 1993, 285 wild hoses were captured in the subject areas.

Despite a severe winter (1992-93) the average rate of increase was 34% per year for 2 years. This resulted because almost all mares were mature and experienced and because the reduction in the horse population resulted in more forage being available per animal.

GRANITE PK:

The situation in and around the Granite Pk. HMA was similar to that of the Flanigan area. During the period between 1989 and 1991 the horse population increased from 74 to 101 (17% annually). During the 2 year period after the removal (1991 - 1993) the horse population increased form 48 to 72 (23% annually). During the removal conducted in 1991, only the horses outside of the HMA were captured which contributed to the lower rate of increase when compared to the Flanigan area.



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Wild Horse Organized Assistance
P. O. Box 555
Reno, NV 89504

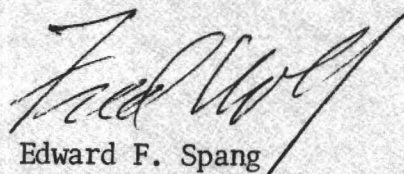
Dear Sir/Madam:

The Bureau of Land Management proposes to gather excess wild horses and burros from public lands in the State of Nevada no sooner than 28 days from the date of this letter.

The proposed gathering will be conducted in the Carson City District in the areas shown on the enclosed map and as described below.

<u>Area/Name</u>	<u>EA Number</u>	<u>Reason for Gathering</u>	<u>Approximate Number to Be Removed</u>	<u>Approximate Number to Remain</u>
Lahontan	NV-030-88-014	Remove Excess Numbers of Horses Above AML Identified in Lahontan RMP	98	42
Horse Mountain	"	"	52	63
Granite Peak	"	"	34	17
Dogskin Mountain	"	"	45	19
Augusta Mountain	"	Remove Excess Numbers of Horses Identified through Analysis of Monitoring Data	347	633

Sincerely,


Edward F. Spang
State Director, Nevada

For

1 Enclosure
1 - Maps of Proposed Gathering (3 pp)



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Commission for the Preservation
of Wild Horses and Burros
c/o Ms. Cathy Barcomb, Executive Director
Stewart Facility
5500 Snider Avenue, Bldg. 6, Room 137
Carson City, NV 89710

DEC 28 1993

Dear Ms. Barcomb:

The Bureau of Land Management proposes to gather excess wild horses and burros from public lands in the State of Nevada no sooner than 28 days from the date of this letter.

The proposed gathering will be conducted in the Carson City District in the areas shown on the enclosed maps and as described below.

<u>Herd Management Area/Herd Area Name</u>	<u>Environmental Analysis Record Number</u>	<u>Reason for Gathering</u>	<u>Approximate Number to Be Removed</u>	<u>Approximate Number to Remain</u>
Lahontan	NV-030-90-051	Outside of HMA	200	0
Granite Peak	NV-030-90-050	Outside of HMA	80	0
Dogskin Mountain	NV-030-90-050	Outside of HMA	(Combined with Granite Peak)	
Flanigan	NV-030-89-033	Attain Thriving Ecological Balance	450	80

Sincerely,

Fred Wolf
Acting State Director, Nevada

3 Enclosures

- 1 - Map of Lahontan Gathering Area (1 p)
- 2 - Map of Granite Peak & Dogskin Gathering Area (1 p)
- 3 - Map of Flanigan Gathering Area (1 p)

cc: District Manager, Carson City
District Manager, Carson City
(Attn: Palomino Valley Corral Mgr)

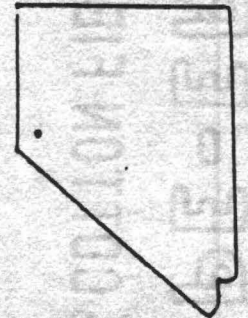
GRANITE PEAK

LOCATION OF HMAs & ALLOTMENTS

UTILIZATION KEY

No-Use	
Slight Use	▒
Light Use	▒
Moderate Use	
Heavy Use	▒
Severe Use	▒

- - - - HMA Boundary
- · · · · Allotment Boundary
- * * * * * Fencing
- Capture Area
- ⊙ Trap Sites



Pre Count
 Lemmon Valley -
 No HMA -
 Removal
 fenced in

