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United States Department of the Interior

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Ely District Office
SR 5 Box 1, Ely, Nevada
89301

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(N-047)

July 14, 1977

Mrs. Dawn Y. Lappin
Wild Horse Organized Assistance, Inc.
P. O. Box 555
Reno, Nevada 89504

Dear Mrs. Lappin:

The Ely District has granted Mr. Cook permission to gather claimed horses within the Buck and Bald area. The authorization will expire September 30, 1977. Mr. Cook has been authorized to operate both water traps and wing traps in the area. Enclosed is a copy of BLM's authorization to Mr. Cook.

Because of the sensitivity of wild horse gathering operations in this area we are extremely concerned with this gathering permit. District personnel will closely supervise Mr. Cook's operations. If you are made aware of any irregularities in Mr. Cook's gathering, we would appreciate it if you would so inform us.

Sincerely yours,

W. Steve Sherman
Area Manager
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Ely, Nevada 89301

When wild trapping operations are started July 8, 1977, a representative shall be present. Two days notice prior to the start of trapping will be required.

Mr. Art Cook
Ruby Valley
Nevada 89833

Dear Art,

You are hereby authorized to construct horse traps at the following locations in order to gather your claimed horses.

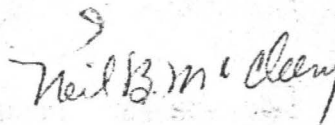
1. Summit Spring
2. Woodchuck Spring
3. Mud Spring
4. Water trap T. 24 N., R. 56 E., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 20
5. Water trap T. 24 N., R. 56 E., SE $\frac{1}{4}$ SE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 14
6. Wing Trap T. 24 N., R. 56 E., SW $\frac{1}{4}$ SW $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 24
7. Wing trap T. 21 N., R. 57 E., NE $\frac{1}{4}$ NE $\frac{1}{4}$ Sec. 26

Stipulations concerning construction and trapping procedures are as follows:

1. Cutting of trees and removal of vegetation is restricted to your post cutting permit area.
2. Where water is present, cattle, horses and wildlife will be allowed to use the water within the trap when trapping is not occurring.
3. You are responsible for any damage to privately owned or government owned facilities or structures, which occurs as a result of your trapping operation. Any damage which occurs will be repaired as soon as possible, and the trap site will be rehabilitated to the condition it was in prior to trap construction, upon removal of the trap.
4. When water trapping is no longer feasible due to lack of water or other factors, the trap will be removed.

5. You are not authorized the use of other private lands or facilities in the area unless other arrangements have been made with private land or facility owners in the area.
6. When wind-trapping operations are actually underway, a BLM representative shall be present. Two days notice prior to the start of trapping will be required.
7. No blocking or obstructing of existing roads will be allowed except during short periods when trapping is actually underway. If a roadway must be crossed by a wind or other device, a gate will be provided.
8. No road work or heavy equipment use is authorized at any site. If you have any questions please feel free to contact this office.

Sincerely,



Neil B. McCleery
District Manager

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Ely, Nevada 89301

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June 13, 1977

Mr. Art Cook
Ruby Valley, Nevada 89833

Dear Art,

This letter will serve as approval of an extension of your authorization to gather claimed horses as per your written request dated March 9, 1977. We will allow the extension from June 16, 1977, through September 30, 1977. Please read the attached stipulations carefully as several changes have been made in them since your last extension was approved.

Stipulations for gathering your claimed horses will be as follows:

1. You must notify the authorized officer at least one day in advance of the actual time and dates you will gather the animals covered by this authorization so that a Bureau official may monitor the gathering operations and inspect the animals gathered.
2. This area may contain wild free-roaming horses or burros, therefore the use of aircraft or motorized vehicles is not approved by this authorization.
3. A determination of trespass and/or grazing fee charges for unauthorized grazing use of public lands will be made by the authorized officer prior to release of the animals for which your claim of ownership has been certified.
4. You are responsible for any damage to privately owned or government owned facilities or structures which occurs as a result of your roundup or gathering operations.
5. This authorization is restricted to the public lands described on your original affidavit and those private lands and facilities belonging to you. It does not authorize the use of other private lands or facilities in the area unless other arrangements have been executed with private land or facility owners in the area. Also, it does not authorize gathering on U.S. Forest Service administered land, or land administered by the Ruby Marsh National Wildlife Refuge.

June 13, 1977

MR. ART COOK

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6. All unbranded and unclaimed horses and burros captured during the roundup are under the jurisdiction of the authorized officer and will be returned by him to the public lands from which they were gathered.
7. Any trespass animals not redeemed by the owners will be turned over to the Nevada Department of Agriculture.
8. Allowable methods of gathering will be water trapping, wing trapping, roundup by horseback, roping from horseback, and parada.
9. All animals used in the parada method must carry a registered brand and be licensed by the authorized officer.
10. Set or automatic water traps must be checked every other day unless adequate feed is provided in the trap.
11. All horses removed by you from public lands must match the description of those animals described on your claims for horses on public lands dated January 16, 1974 and August 10, 1974.
12. Any facilities or structures to be constructed on Federal land must be cleared by the authorized officer. A request for such facilities or structures must be submitted 30 days prior to the anticipated time of use.
13. No waters on Federal land may be flagged or otherwise altered or made unavailable without approval of the authorized officer.
14. This authorization to gather expires on September 30, 1977. After this time no further extensions will be allowed.
15. You are responsible for requesting the services of the State Brand Inspector to establish ownership of the animals claimed by you and you are responsible for payment of the brand inspection fees on all animals for which your claim of ownership is certified.

Our records show you have 152 animals remaining to be gathered. Since the time period for gathering claimed animals is coming to a close, you should make every effort to gather your remaining horses during the time period granted by this authorization.

Sincerely,

George W. Cropper
Acting District Manager

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ELKO COUNTY AREA ~~IN THE COOK BRAND~~
18 - Pools
BALD HORSE GATHER 62 - TOTAL

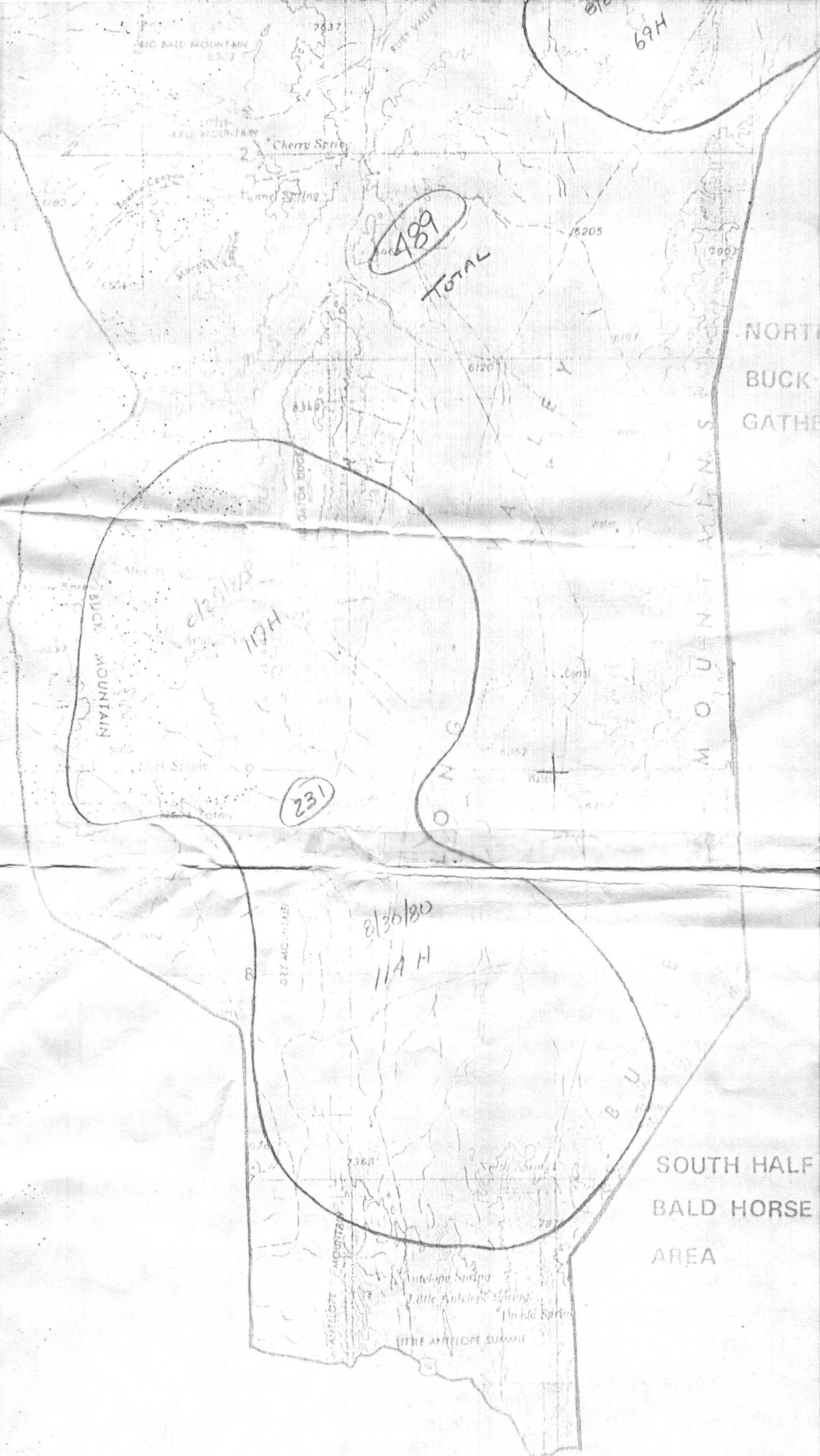
1980 - INVENTORY 1,086 HEAD
REMOVAL 489
597 HEAD EST.



NORTH HALF
BUCK-BALD HORSE
GATHERING AREA

31 adms
17
48

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Safeway St.
Rt. 1 mile
junction