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In reply refer to:

P-D Area Manager Spilling Rw 7/27/92

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Memorandum

To:

Ron Hall

From:

Dave Stockdale, P-D WH/B Specialist

Subject: Little Owyhee Aerial Census

On July 17 and 18, 1992, myself and Ron Hall conducted an aerial census of the Little Owyhee Allotment to determine numbers and distribution of wild horses on the allotment. The aircraft used was a Bell 47G (Soloy) helicopter from High Desert Helicopters, Fallon, Nevada. The pilot was Cliff Heaverne.

All areas of the allotment, including the summer pastures, were flown with the exception of a small portion of Lake Creek field around Corral Lake Well. We flew along the ridge of the Calico Mountains and were able to see well into the western portions of Capitol and Antelope pastures.

The total count was 1393 horses: 1114 adults and 279 foals. Pasture/area division is as follows.

Pasture	Adults	Foals	Total
Lake Creek	518	134	652
Rodear Flat area	497	132	629
Northwest	18	2	20
Elsewhere	3	0	3
Twin Valley	341	92	433
Maiden Sprs pipeline	175	41	216
Milligan Creek	153	46	199
Elsewhere	13	5	18
Fairbanks	223	43	266
South Fairbanks	211	41	252
East of gorge	12	2	14
Rock Springs	16	7	23
Calico	16	3	19
Capitol Peak	0	0	0
Antelope	0	0	0
TOTAL	1114	279	1393

