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Cathy Barcomb

From: Glenna_Eckel@blm.gov
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2008 10:41 AM
To: Cathy Barcomb
Cc: Arlan_Hiner@blm.gov
Subject: RE: Misc. March 18-20 wildlife observations

Hi Cathy,

No, I don't feel these areas will become emergencies anytime soon. I'll see you in a week or so on the tour.

Thanks,
Glenna

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03/31/2008 10:29 AM
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Subject: RE: Misc. March 18-20 wildlife observations

Glenna
Thank you so much for this information. Do you anticipate any "emergency" type issues for this summer considering the additional numbers added by spring foaling. Or for next winter? The field tour that BLM and myself are doing next week for Battle Mountain and Winnemucca would be a good time to bring this up and get it identified. Or is it already on the list?

Also, might be good to elevate attention to the area if it is so much over AML to get it on the front burner vs back.

What do you think?

Cathy

-----Original Message-----

From: Glenna_Eckel@blm.gov [mailto:Glenna_Eckel@blm.gov]
Sent: Monday, March 31, 2008 9:16 AM
To: Ed Partee
Cc: Chris Hampson; Arlan_Hiner@blm.gov; Steve_Surian@ca.blm.gov; Cathy Barcomb

Subject: RE: Misc. March 18-20 wildlife observations

Hi Ed,

You're welcome.

About 3x over high AML for the Black Rocks, but about double the high AML for all HMAs in the area (Black Rocks, Warm Springs Canyon, Calico Mtns, and Granite Mtns) as there is some degree of herd movement between these HMAs. Cedarville BLM (Steve Surian) also flew five HMAs just west and adjacent to mine at the same time. I haven't seen their exact numbers yet, but again I hear they were higher than expected. I hope to have the memo and maps finished this week and can get you a copy.

Thanks for the flight info... I don't have any other flights planned this year except for maybe the Jackson Mtns later this summer or the Mc Gee burro herd (July or August). I would also greatly appreciate any info from your flights regarding wild horses or horse issues that you could bring to my attention.

Thanks,
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Thanks you for the information. How are the numbers in the Black Rock looking for the

horses? I will be flying in Humboldt County the week of the 31st just to let you know. I will be doing lek flights and only for about three hours each morning.

Thanks again

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From: Glenna_Eckel@blm.gov [mailto:Glenna_Eckel@blm.gov]
Sent: Tue 3/25/2008 12:32 PM
To: Chris Hampson; Ed Partee
Subject: Fw: Misc. March 18-20 wildlife observations

Our wild horse census flights were delayed. Here are some wildlife obs for you. Also, we didn't see any newborn wildlife, but did see new foals.

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Here is a quick breakdown on the numbers and general location for the various wildlife seen during the March 18-20 WH&B census flights. In general the numbers should be considered a minimum estimate as I tended to underestimate rather than overestimate the

number of individuals in large groups, and made an effort to not double count groups traveling in the same direction as the helicopter grid pattern. I have more precise notes and GPS locations if needed.

March 18, 2008

Calico Mountains (Jct. Soldier Meadows Road/ Route 34 north to Box Canyon/ High Rock Lake/ Butte Spring Hills)

76 bighorn (approx. 46 ram)

166 mule deer

87 antelope

March 19, 2008

Soldier Meadows area (north of Box and Copper canyons between the Soldier Meadows/ Massacre Mtn allotment fence and top of Black Rock Range north to Sheldon Refuge southern boundary and head of Idaho Canyon-- excluding Summit Lake Reservation)

24 bighorn (12 ram)

112 mule deer

529 antelope (majority observed on south facing slopes above Soldier Meadows Hot Springs area and south of Warm Springs Canyon) one flock of 25 sage grouse 1.5 mile north of Black Butte, and one flock of

15 sage grouse between Tollhouse and Dry Canyons

March 20, 2008

eastern side of Black Rock Mtns. (South of Bartlett Creek and between top of Black Rock Range and Black Rock Desert to southern tip of Pahute Peak Wilderness Area)

34 bighorn (at least 4 rams, but not more than 12)

96 mule deer

122 antelope

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