

3/1/82

Sequence of Events Leading to the Gathering
Operation in the Seven Troughs Herd Use Area

<u>Date</u>	<u>Action</u>
6/18/80	Public meeting initiated to discuss a course of action that may be taken in the Lava Beds HUA.
9/24/80	Wild Horse/burro inventory conducted in Seven Troughs HUA.
10/2/80	Wild horse/burro inventory conducted in Lava Beds HUA.
	Additional information obtained from these inventories necessitated the expansion of the capture area to include the Seven Troughs HUA.
1/27/81	28 day notice sent out to inform interest groups of the gathering in the Lava Beds/Seven Troughs.
1/29/81	Winnemucca District Office sent the Environmental Assessment, addendum for the EA to include the Seven Troughs, capture plan and addendum, and the Decision Record/Rationale, to the State Director for review, comment and/or approval.
2/18/81	Meeting with interest groups to discuss the numbers and area to be gathered.
4/24/81	Second 28 day notice sent to modify original capture area to exclude Seven Troughs.
4/24/81	Capture plan approved by State Director.
5/7/81	Federal court hearing in Reno on C-Punch law suit.
8&9/81	Palomino Valley gathering crew captured 611 wild horses and burros.
10/1/81	End of gathering operations by Palomino Valley crew and the beginning of contract gatherings.
10/29/81	Judge Thompson rules on C-Punch law suit and drops Seven Troughs from the order. Decision was made by the State and District offices to continue with Seven Trough capture operation.
12/3/81	Third 28 day notice sent to interest groups for the capture of 200 wild horses and 25 wild burros in the Seven Troughs. This would have left 530 horses and 70 burros.

1/2/82 Increased adoption fee.

1/22/82 NSO requested that Joan Lilly (Contracting Officer) hold up the Seven Troughs contract until the last possible time because the Palomino Valley corrals were full.

3/1/82 Contract gathering suspended until July 1, 1982 to allow for foaling season.