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Cedarville, California

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TO : Carter Reservoir HMAP

Date: 3/12/85

FROM : H.F. Cooper

SUBJECT : The Gather and Selection of Wild Horses in the Carter Reservoir Herd Management Area

The Susanville BLM horse crew and A.J. Johnson (Surprise RA) located and began setting up the trap on Saturday, February 9, 1985. Richard Westman, Joe McFarlan and myself assisted A.J. and the crew in completing the trap on Sunday, February 10, 1985.

The crew gathered 29 wild horses on Monday, February 11 and three wild horses on Tuesday, February 12. Seven to ten horses could not be located for gathering on Tuesday.

On Tuesday, A.J. Johnson, B.T. Frost and myself selected 13 horses from the 31 gathered to be returned to the herd. Our selection was based on the selection criteria in the draft Carter Reservoir HMAP. Eighteen horses were loaded and shipped to the Susanville facility.

The approximate herd level for Carter Reservoir is 20-23 horses. The structure of this herd is as follows:

	Number	Color	Sex	Age
Selected horses	3	Buckskin	studs	>10
	1	Buckskin	stud	2
	2	Buckskin	mares	1
	1	Yellow	mare	>2
	6	Buckskin	mares	>2
	Not captured	1	Yellow	stud
1 <sup>1/</sup>		Bay	stud	>2
1 <sup>1/</sup>		Bay	stud	>5
4-7 <sup>2/</sup>		Bay, sorrel	both	>2

The buckskin and yellow horses all had prominent dorsal stripes. In addition, the buckskin horses all had black points. Some had striped or barbed legs and white stars on forehead.

1/ Injured front shoulder; observed by Johnson. Injury not related to gather.

2/ Horses were observed at a distance, Johnson 2/14/85.

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