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In Reply Refer To:
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Cathy Barcomb
Commission for Preservation of Wild Horses
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Dear Cathy:

Thank you for your letter of November 3, 1997 regarding the Buckhorn and Coppersmith Herd Management Areas.

Enclosed, for your information, are copies of the use pattern maps completed in 1996 and 1997.

Also enclosed is the sex and age structure data for the herds compiled from the October, 1997 removal. Now that we have good age and sex structure for two removals compiled, we intend to use this data for population modeling. Your involvement in this exercise would be more than welcome. Please let us know if you are interested in participating.

If you have any questions or desire any additional information, please let us know.

Your interest in our wild horse and burro program is appreciated.

Sincerely,

Susan T. Stokke
Surprise Field Manager

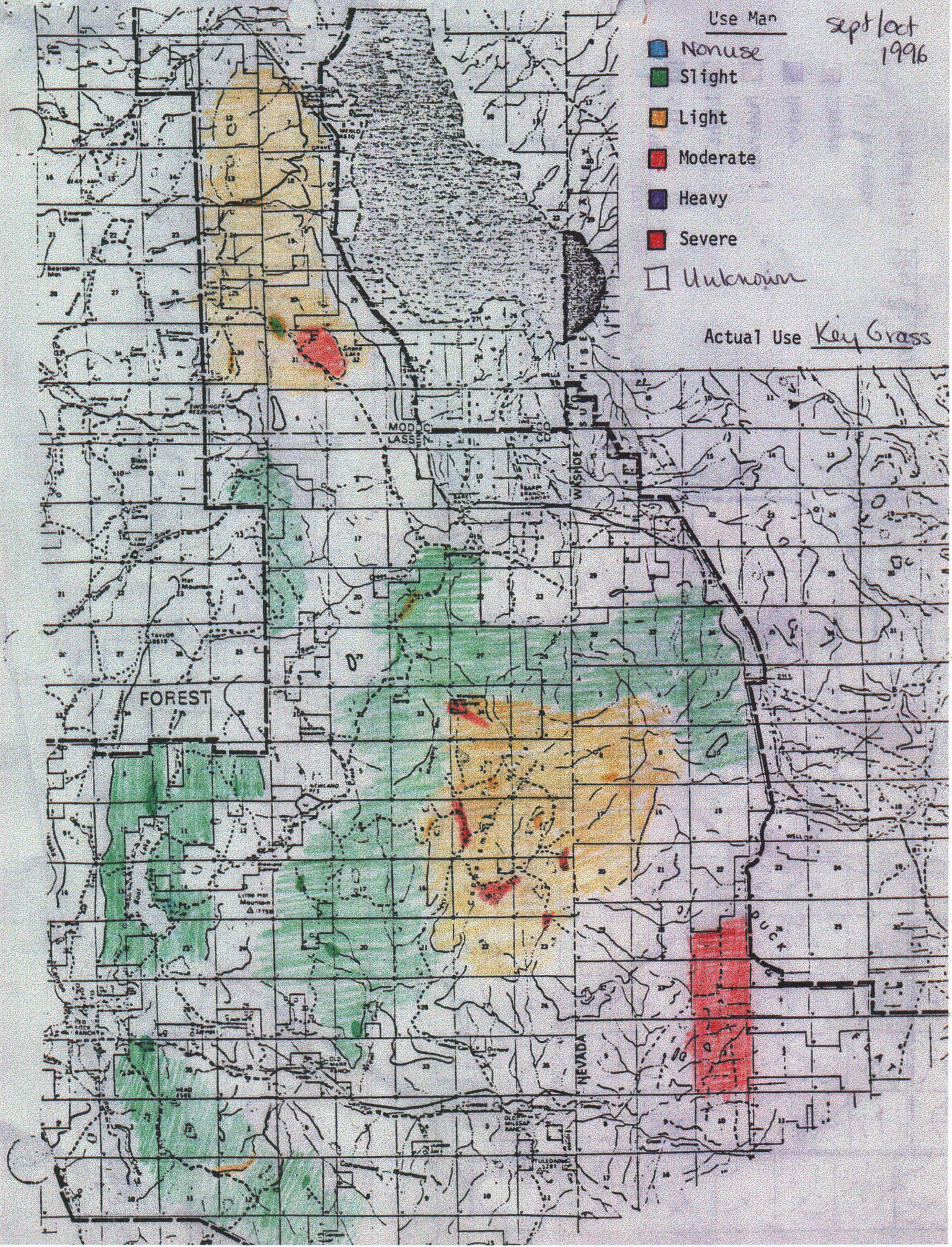
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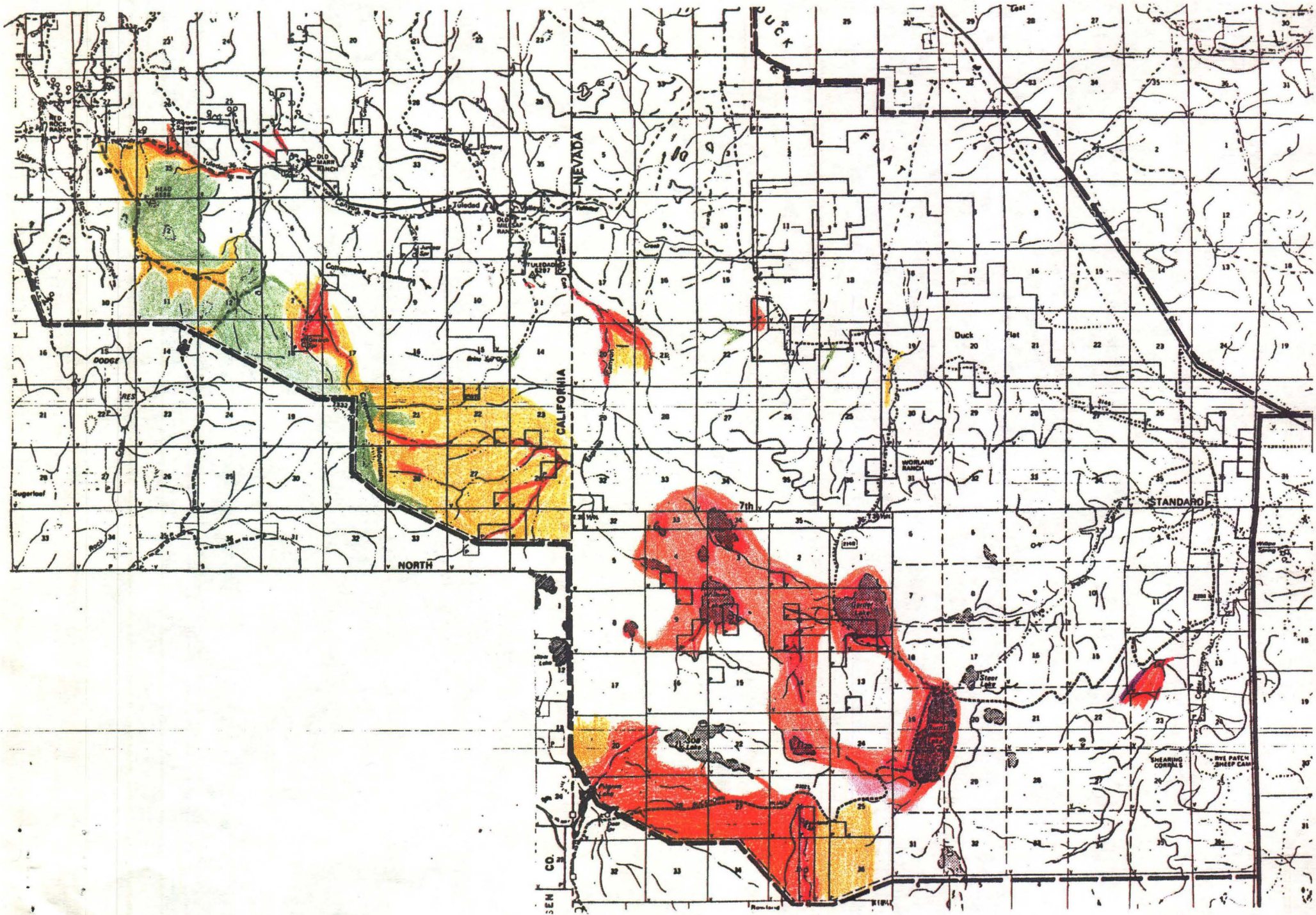
Use Man

- Nonuse
- Slight
- Light
- Moderate
- Heavy
- Severe
- Unknown

Actual Use Key Grass







BUCKHORN HMA
AGE/SEX DATA FROM
OCTOBER, 1997 GATHER

BUCKHORN HMA (CA-262)

GATHER SUMMARY

TOTAL ANIMALS GATHERED: 68

ANIMALS RETURNED TO RANGE: 22*

ANIMALS REMOVED: 48

ANIMALS DIED: 1

*Includes 1 6 year old dry mare gathered from Buckhorn previously
and 1 4 year old dry mare from Nevada.

ANIMALS REMOVED FROM RANGE

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NO. OF MALES</u>	<u>NO. OF FEMALES (LACTATING / NON-LACTATING)</u>
0	10	9
1	11	6
2	3	2 (1/1)
3	2	1 (1/0)
4	0	1 (1/0)
6	0	2 (1/1)
TOTALS	26	21

BUCKHORN HMA (CONT.)

ANIMALS RETURNED TO RANGE

<u>AGE</u>	<u>NO. OF MALES</u>	<u>NO. OF FEMALES (LACTATING / NON-LACTATING)</u>
4	0	1 (0/1)
5	0	1 (1/0)
6	1	2 (1/1)
7	3	1 (1/0)
8	1	1 (1/0)
10	1	0
11	1	1 (1/0)
12	0	1 (1/0)
13	1	0
14	1	1 (1/0)
15	0	1 (1/0)
18	1	2 (2/0)
TOTALS	<u>10</u>	<u>12</u>