

4-2-75

April 2, 1975

Mrs. Tillie Barling, Natural Resources Specialist,
Department of the Navy,
Naval Weapons Center,
China Lake, California 93555

Re: 70309/TB:vp

Dear Tillie:

Thank you for your most cordial invitation to make a special visit to your area. I, too, agree that a large group would make it impossible for you and me to have a real close look at the situation, but I didn't want to put you to extra bother by having you go over the ground again. So, whenever it is possible for us to get together, I shall let you know.

The New Mexico decision has put WHOA! into orbit, and with the telephone ringing constantly, reporters coming out of the woodwork, and the truly unbelievable stacks of correspondence we take care of, it would be hard for me to get away at the time you have scheduled the Audubon Society tour. Our attorney is working with the U. S. Attorney of the District of New Mexico, and we will soon be filing as an amicus curiae in support of the appeal.

We are working closely with BLM on that planned reduction of 400 in the area where we took the tour last September, and I know the wrath of the Gods will descend on my shoulders when it comes times to destroy those we cannot place in homes. Actually, they should take all the domestic livestock out, too, and let that sad hunk of real estate rest for a hundred years.

Best wishes, Tillie.

Cordially,

Velma B. Johnston (Mrs. Charles C.)
Chairman - Board of Trustees

WHOA!

WILD HORSE ORGANIZED ASSISTANCE

INC.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES
VELMA B. JOHNSTON
LOUISE C. HARRISON
GORDON W. HARRIS
HELEN A. REILLY
JOHN REILLY

A Foundation for the Welfare of
Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros

P. O. Box 555
Reno, Nevada 89504
Telephone 323-5908
Area Code 702

Please know how personally delighted I am at your decision to contribute to our special fund for WHOA!'s growth in membership.

Your receipt is enclosed and a copy of our advertisement which is appearing in metropolitan newspapers throughout the country.

With the help of friends like you, we can REALLY get things done!

Again, our sincere thanks.

Most sincerely,

Wild Horse Annie
Mrs. Velma B. Johnston
Chairman - Board of Trustees

VBJ/hr
Enclosures

