

## Memorandum

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IN REPLY REFER TO:

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To : Caliente Resource Area Manager *W*

FROM : Range Conservationist/Wild Horse & Burro Specialist  
Caliente Resource Area

SUBJECT: Field trip to the NWHR to conduct utilization studies  
and inspect waters, etc.

Date: JUN 4 1984

On April 12, 1984, Phillip C. Seegmiller, R.H. Wolfe, Terry Driver, Rick Orr, Ed Guerrero BLM personnel, in the accompaniment of Ken Mulkey and Dave Gerhardt, USAF Range Group, visited the TTR. The purpose of this trip was to determine 1983 utilization and look at wild horse condition and [REDACTED]

Utilization varied throughout the area visited, but overall use appeared to be in the light to moderate categories. This may be a reflection of two good years with higher precipitation.

Animals sighted appeared to be in very good condition with the exception of some wild horses around Tunnel and Corral Springs which is a reflection of low water output for the number of wild horses in the area. With the USAF shut down of water at the O & M Compound wild horse pressure on other water sources is exceeding the water supply. Also, the pressure from the wild horses on the water facilities where supplies are low results to the detriment of the facilities.

Water sources where wild horses demand [REDACTED]  
P [REDACTED]

- 1) [REDACTED] Both springs need to be redeveloped with additional storage tanks and water troughs.
- 2) [REDACTED] Needs water storage and troughs.
- 3) [REDACTED] Needs troughs and repair to waterline.

Without redevelopment and repair to above-mentioned water facilities available water will not meet the need of present wild horse numbers, which may cause the loss of several wild horses.

*Phillip C. Seegmiller*