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Dear Interested Party:

The Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range (PMWHR) Draft Evaluation was issued for public participation on November 19, 2007. The PMWHR Evaluation process did not establish new goals or objectives. The purpose of the evaluation was to measure if current uses were meeting existing decisions and objectives that were established in the Bureau of Land Management Billings Resource Management Plan (1984), Custer National Forest Plan (1987), Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area laws and policies, and the Pryor Mountain Herd Management Area Plan (1984, 1992).

Interested parties were asked to review the document and provide additional relevant data, information, or analysis that could be used to measure objectives. Parties were also asked to provide any technical recommendations for meeting or making progress towards meeting decisions and objectives. Two parties provided data that is incorporated into the Evaluation. Eighty seven parties provided comments and/or technical recommendations for management of the PMWHR. Four parties provided separate interpretations of the analysis for calculating the appropriate management level (AML).

This evaluation is in final form, and any changes from the Draft to the Final are bolded within the text of the document. This evaluation could serve as a basis for making management adjustments within the PMWHR in the future. Any interested party who provided information, data, analysis, technical recommendations or comments, and we have an address for, will be provided a copy. A paper copy is available upon request by contacting the Billings Field Office at (406) 896-5013, or the evaluation is available on the Billings Field Office website at [http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/fo/billings\\_field\\_office/wild\\_horses.1.html](http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/fo/billings_field_office/wild_horses.1.html).

Thank you for your interest in the PMWHR. If you have questions, please contact Jared Bybee, State Wild Horse and Burro Specialist with the Bureau of Land Management. at (406) 896-5223

Sincerely,

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