Northern Nevada Correctional Center Saddle-Trained Wild Horse & Burro Adoption



Saturday, October 19, 2019

Up to 15 Saddle-started Horses and one Saddle-started Burro available for Adoption



9:00-10:00am: Preview Wild Horses & Burro

10:00am: Competitive-Bid Adoption begins











About the Northern Nevada Correctional Center program

The gentling, saddle-training program in Carson City began in October 2000 as a cooperative effort between the Nevada Department of Corrections – Silver State Industries and the Nevada Department of Agriculture to train estray / feral horses removed from lands administered by the State of Nevada. BLM joined the partnership in 2004; through an agreement signed in 2007, and a renewed contract in 2018, the inmates now train only wild horses and burros removed from public lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

The BLM and Northern Nevada Correctional Center (NNCC) hosts three to four public adoptions each year and all horses and burros are offered through a competitive-bid adoption process, conducted by an auctioneer. Approximately 60 - 80 wild horses and burros are trained and adopted each year through these public events. In addition, the NNCC starts horses for other Federal and state agencies such as the U.S. Border Patrol, state fish and wildlife agencies the National Park Service, Law Enforcement Mounted Units and Military Mounted Units.

Nearly 500 inmates have participated in the program, often coming with little or no experience working with horses. The inmates give each horse (or burro) approximately 120 days of training. The animals are essentially "green broke" and will need additional daily training and handling by an experienced rider when at their new home.

Find out more details on this exceptional program by going to the NNCC page located on the BLM website at https://go.usa.gov/xEk8t and stay up to date on the Bureau of Land Management's Nevada wild horse and burro program, including upcoming events or news, by following the BLM Nevada Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/BLMNevada. In addition, a Facebook Group, called "NNCC Adopted Wild Horses & Burros" was established by and for past adopters to post updates of their adopted horses from the NNCC and use as a resource for guestions and tips.



Bids start at \$150

All trained animals will only be offered for adoption <u>once</u> during the event.

Adopters must meet BLM adoption requirements to bid.

Go to https://go.usa.gov/xmcwS for BLM requirements

Directions to the Northern Nevada Correctional Center traveling from the south side of Carson City:

From US-395 (Carson Street),
Take Snyder Avenue (NV State Route 518) east for 1.5 miles.
Turn south (right) at the NNCC sign and look for directional signs at the far south end of the facility.

Directions traveling south from Reno:

Take 1-580 South to Carson Street and turn north (right).

Take Snyder Avenue (NV State Route 518) east for 1.5 miles.

Turn south (right) at the NNCC sign and look for directional signs at the far south end of the facility.

NO TOBACCO OR CELL PHONES ARE PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS DURING THE EVENT!

NO PHOTOGRAPHY WITHOUT MEDIA CREDENTIALS OR PRIOR APPROVAL







Adoption sponsored by:

Nevada Department of Corrections – Silver State Industries and the Bureau of Land Management, Wild Horse and Burro Program

Bocephus #6045





Freezemark #14626045

Age 5

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.0 hands
Weight: 975 pounds
HMA: Triple B

(NV0417)

Trainer: Michael Gotschall

Bocephus is a great horse because he is gentle, trusting, smart and energetic. He rides exceptionally well and will do or learn whatever is asked of him. He has a good start and will make anyone proud to own him. Bocephus was gathered on February 3, 2018.

2-Piece #6588





Freezemark #14626588

Age 5

Sex: Gelding
Height: 14.3 hands
Weight: 1.025 pounds
HMA: Maverick-Medicine

(NV0105)

Trainer: Corey Arrive

Although 2-Piece was a challenge to work at first, he has really turned out to be a gentle horse - he is extremely smart and willing to please while having a very cautious personality. His lope is slow and smooth and his stop is amazing. He definitely knows the job and what's expected of him. If you got the experience and have, the patience then I have no doubt he can be great for you too. 2-Piece was gathered February 13, 2018.

Yani #1263





Freezemark #14731263

Age 5

Sex: Gelding
Height: 14.3 hands
Weight: 975 pounds
HMA: Sulphur
(UT0448)

Trainer: Trevor Nau

Yani is a fine horse with a calm and somber demeanor. He is well built and muscular for his size with great stamina and endurance. His trot and lope are amazingly smooth, like a Cadillac cruising down a lonely rural highway. He is able to stop on a dime and is completely obedient to all commands. He is eager to work, has experience in different terrains and has worked with cattle. Yani was gathered on January 19, 2017.

Braveheart #5214





Freezemark #15625214

Age 4

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1050 pounds HMA: Owyhee

(NV0101)

Trainer: Ronnie Rosario

Braveheart is a handsome sorrel with a white star. He is very gentle, good with his feet and trailer loads with ease. He is always eager to learn and responds well to all cues. He is an absolute pleasure to work with! Do not miss this, one of a kind horse. Braveheart was gathered on December 25, 2016.

Tahoe #4765





Freezemark #14624765

Age 5

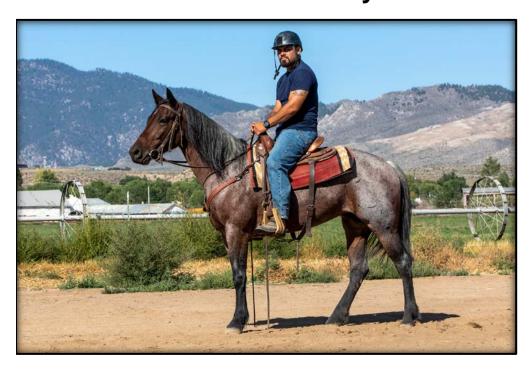
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.3 hands
Weight: 1,200 pounds
HMA: Owyhee

MA: Owyhee (NV0101)

Trainer: Johnathon Thompson

Tahoe is a very good-looking gray horse. He is good with trailer loading and good with his feet. He is very friendly and has a smooth lope. He backs up effortlessly and side passes nicely. Tahoe will simply turn out to be a good horse. Tahoe was gathered on November 25, 2016.

Harley #1108





Feezemark #12621108

Age 7 Sex: Mare

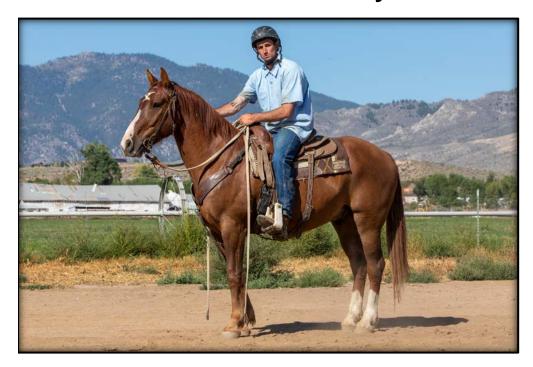
Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 975 pounds HMA: Humboldt

(NV0224)

Trainer: Flavio Corral

Harley is a beautiful strawberry roan. She is a very loving horse. She is soft at the mouth and responds well to foot cues. She is ready for the trails or to work around the ranch. Harley is good around cattle and does not spook easily. Harley was gathered on July 7, 2014.

Cowboy #4813





Freezemark #14624813

Age 5

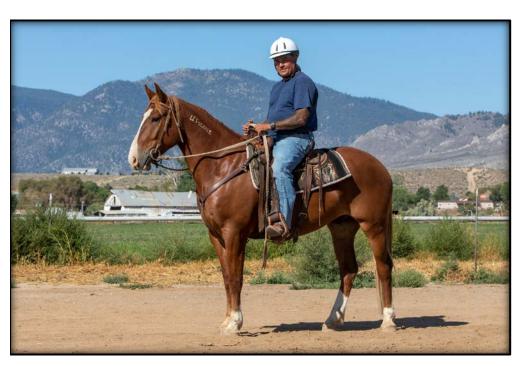
Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds

HMA: Owyhee

(NV0101)
Trainer: Lance Nelson

Cowboy is beautiful sorrel with a unique mark on his forehead. He saddles and bridles well. His feet are easy to clean as well as brushing his mane and tail. This horse loves to work and would rather not sit around. He is always willing to please, is a quick learner and is attentive to all commands. Cowboy has performed some cattle work - he was gathered on November 25, 2016.

Frito #5094





Freezemark #15625094

Age 4

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.2 hands
Weight: 1,125 pounds
HMA: Little Owyhee

(NV0200)

Trainer: Theodore Villa

Frito is a gentle horse, light in the mouth and sensitive to the touch. He is very athletic and always willing to work. Frito trailer loads easily and loves to be groomed and saddled. Frito is an all-around horse and will make someone really happy. Frito was gather on December 4, 2016.

Gator #8049





Feezemark #11618049

Age 8

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.2 hands
Weight: 1,125 pounds

HMA: Jackson Mountains

(NV0208)

Trainer: Juan Sanchez

Gator is a gentle relaxed horse with a sense of humor. He is an easy ride and can be a fun one too. He listens and responds well to commands. He is able to be ridden bareback and is comfortable with a second rider. Gator was gathered on June 17, 2012.

Dapper Dan #5252





Freezemark #14625252

Age 5 Sex: G

Gelding

Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,175 pounds HMA: Little Owyhee

(NV0200)

Trainer: Cletus Turner

Dapper Dan is a great looking Blue Roan. He has a gentle temperament. He has a nice smooth lope and trot. He backs up nicely; side passes and is really good with tight circles. I believe Dapper Dan would make a good friend. Dapper Dan was gathered on December 25, 2016.

Gandolf #4870





Freezemark #13624870

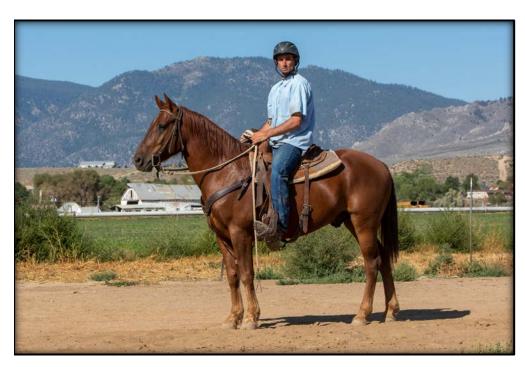
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Sex: Gelding
Height: 14.3 hands
Weight: 950 pounds
HMA: Owyhee
(NV0101)

Trainer: Austin Miller

Gandolf is a great horse that is very well rounded. He neck reins, side passes, backs up, yields shoulders and hind quarters. He is gentle enough to ride bare back comfortably. He loves people and attention. His calm demeanor makes him easy to train and an awesome companion that is ready for a good home. Gandolf was gathered on November 25, 2016.

Decker #4796





Feezemark #14624796

Age 5

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.1 hands
Weight: 1,025 pounds
HMA: Owyhee

/IA: Owyhee (NV0101)

Trainer: Lance Nelson

Decker is a gentle natured horse. He is real easy to brush and saddle. Cleaning his feet is no trouble, and takes his bridle well. He is a smart horse, eager to learn and ready to please. His groundwork is good and is a fun ride. He knows his leg cues and is not a spooky horse. He is good for trail rides and overall will turn out to be a good horse. Decker was gathered on November 25, 2016.

Falcore #4749





Freezemark #15624749

Age 4

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.3 hands
Weight: 1,060 pounds
HMA: Little Owyhee

(NV0200)

Trainer: Johnathon Thompson

Falcore is a good-looking bay who is very smart. He is a quick learner and very friendly. He easy to catch and is responsive to foot and voice cues. He is good with trailer loading and good with his feet. Falcore was gathered on December 3, 2016.

Shadow #8267





Feezemark #12618267

Age 7

Sex: Gelding
Height: 14.2 hands
Weight: 950 pounds

HMA: Jackson Mountains

(NV0208)

Trainer: Eliseo Saavedra

Shadow is a calm horse who responds well to all commands. He is a lover not a fighter when around other horses or people. He is easy to wash and groom. He is easy to get on from both sides. He is a very gentle horse and can pick up all four feet with ease. Shadow will turn out to be a good horse. Shadow was gathered on June 22, 2012.

Turbo #4387





Freezemark #15624387

Age 4

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.0 hands
Weight: 1,075 pounds
HMA: Little Owyhee

(NV0200)

Trainer: Christopher Knowles

Turbo is a gentle horse. He is very easy to brush and saddle. Cleaning his feet is no trouble and takes his bridle well. He is smart, eager to learn and has good groundwork. He responds very well to leg cues and spurs. He likes to please, is a quick learner and loves attention. Turbo was gathered on November 21, 2016.

Crystal #3775





Feezemark #11143775

Age 8
Sex: Jenny
Height: 11.1 hands
Weight: 400 pounds
HMA: Lake Pleasant

(AZ0006)

Trainer: Coleman Macio

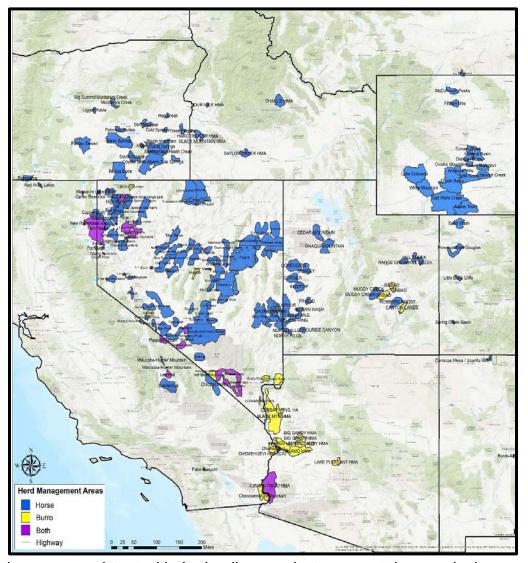
Crystal is a very loving burro. She has been taught how to lead and can be ridden as well. She picks up all four feet with ease. Crystal has a calm demeanor and whether it is for work or play, she will be a pleasure to have. Crystal was gathered on September 18, 2016.

Bureau of Land Management Herd Management Areas

The BLM manages wild horses and burros in 177 herd management areas (HMA) on nearly 26.9 million acres of public land across 10 western states. Each HMA is unique in its terrain features, local climate and natural resources, just as each herd is unique in its history, genetic heritage, coloring and size distribution.

Wild horses and burros are managed as *part* of the BLM's multiple-use mission, with the goal of supporting healthy wild horses and burros on healthy public rangelands. To protect the health of the land and to support healthy horses and burros, the BLM works to achieve in HMAs what is known as the Appropriate Management Level (AML).

AML is the point at which



wild horse and burro populations are consistent with the land's capacity to support them and other mandated uses of those lands, including protecting ecological processes and habitat for wildlife and livestock. The AML for each HMA ranges from a minimum population level to a maximum population level in order to allow for population growth over a four- to five-year period. The BLM establishes AML through the evaluation and analysis of rangeland resource and population data spanning several years, including data relating to vegetation and soil types, weather and water. The AML for each HMA is set in an open, public process through field office planning efforts.

How wild horses and burros are managed differs from how most other species are managed on public lands. Wildlife species, such as deer, are usually controlled through a combination of hunting and natural predators. Livestock use on public lands is intricately managed and controlled through grazing permits. Because wild horses and burros are protected from hunting, and because of a lack of natural predators, if left unmanaged herds can double in size in just four to five years and quickly outgrow the ability of the land to support them. Maintaining herd size at the appropriate management level is the best way to ensure healthy horses and burros on healthy rangelands. The current nationwide, maximum population level is 26,690 animals. For more information about all the BLM's HMAs, visit the BLM website's herd management areas section at https://go.usa.gov/xm3p9.

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

What is prohibited on the grounds and are cameras allowed?

- No tobacco products or cell phones are permitted on the grounds during the event.
- No photography is permitted without Media Credentials or prior approval is granted.

How much training do the animals actually have?

 The animals are "green-broke" which means they have received up to 120+ days of training by the inmates. They will continue to need daily training to reinforce the basics they have learned. Most saddle-started horses will initially need an experienced rider.

Can we preview the animal available for adoption before the adoption date?

• No, since this is a prison facility, the animals cannot be viewed until the morning of the adoption.

What is the average sale price of saddle-started horses trained by prison inmates?

 Prices vary widely. The bids have gone as high as \$15,000. However, the average price is between \$1,500 to \$2,500 per animal. It really depends on how many people are interested in one particular animal.

Do I have to be present to adopt a wild horse or burro? Can I send my friend?

You must be present to adopt a wild horse or burro. You cannot send a family member or a
friend. The person signing the "Private Maintenance and Care Agreement" will be the legal
adopter and the only person that can apply for title after a year of proper care.

What are the facility requirements?

- The minimum size corral is 20' x 20' which is also the recommended size until the adopted animal becomes easy to catch. Even though the horses are green broke, they may still startle easily and attempt to jump over the corral; therefore, a minimum corral height of 5' made from heavy duty construction materials using poles, pipes, or planks with at least 1 ½ inch thickness, and without dangerous protrusions, is required. Barbed wire, large-mesh-woven, stranded, and electric materials are unacceptable for fencing.
- Some form of shelter must be available, within the corral area, to mitigate the effects of inclement weather and temperature extremes; examples of acceptable shelter may be of natural cover (tree, etc.) or man-made structure.

Do I have to pick up the animal I adopt the day of the adoption?

• The BLM prefers that you take the horse or burro home the day of the adoption, but special arrangements can be made with the prison to pick up the animal in a couple of days.

What are the BLM's trailer requirements for hauling my animal home?

- The BLM recommends stock type trailers; three-horse slant load trailers are acceptable. Other
 types of trailers will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis. BLM requires trailers meet the
 following minimum requirements:
 - **a.** Covered top, sturdy walls and floors, and a smooth interior, free from any sharp protrusions.
 - **b.** Ample headroom, adequate ventilation and floors covered with a non-skid material.
 - **c.** Removable partitions or compartments to separate animals by size and sex, if necessary.
- BLM personnel will inspect the safety of each trailer and reserve the right to refuse loading if the trailer is unacceptable.

Adoption Application, Requirements and Payment Information

To download a BLM adoption application for a wild horse or burro (Form 4710-10), please go to https://go.usa.gov/xEkhV.

Adoption Requirements at a Glance

- Must be 18 years old. Parents or guardians may adopt and allow a younger family member to care for the animal.
- Have no prior conviction for inhumane treatment of animals or for violating the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act.
- Have adequate feed, water and facilities (at least 400 square feet for each animal) to provide humane care for the number of animals requested.
- Provide a home for the animal in the United States until you receive Certificate of Title from the BLM.

Does BLM accept personal checks? What other types of payment are accepted?

 The BLM accepts personal checks, money orders, American Express, Discover, VISA, MasterCard, travelers' checks, and cash as payment for adoption fees.

Can I get a refund or exchange my adopted horse for another in the future?

- In spite of efforts to provide adopters with healthy animals, situations arise where unrecognized lameness or health problems surface following adoption. Upon request, an adopter may receive a credit for the amount of the original adoption toward the adoption fee for a replacement animal if the following conditions apply:
 - **a.** Within six months of the original adoption, the adopter provides a signed statement from a veterinarian that the animal died, had to be euthanized, or was diagnosed with an incurable illness or lameness attributable to a condition that already existed at the time of adoption.
 - **b.** The death, development of the illness, or lameness of the animal must not have been preventable by proper care from the adopter.
 - **c.** The request for replacement, with the substantiating veterinarian's statement, must be received by the BLM no later than 30 days after the animal's death or diagnosis.
 - **d.** Adopters shall return live animals to the BLM; should the animal have been euthanized or succumbed, the adopter is responsible for the disposal of the carcass.
- BLM will issue the original adopter an adoption fee voucher with the following stipulations:
 - **a.** The voucher will be the same amount paid at the time of the original adoption.
 - **b.** Valid for 1-year from the date issued.
 - **c.** Redeemable toward the fee to adopt another animal at an upcoming satellite adoption event, Internet adoption, or during a regularly scheduled Northern Nevada Correctional Center adoption.
 - **d.** The voucher cannot be used at an event sponsored by the Mustang Heritage Foundation (MHF).
 - **e.** The voucher is only good for one animal.
 - f. If the fee for the replacement animal is more than the original adoption fee, the adopter will be required to pay the balance. If the fee for the replacement animal is less than the original adoption voucher amount, the remaining balance will be forfeited.
 - g. No other refunds or exchanges will be approved.

The next Saddle-trained Wild Horse Adoption is scheduled for February 22, 2020