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BLM Wild Horse and Burro Research



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WH&B management relies on science

- BLM tracks herd sizes and resource conditions
- Local offices conduct the majority of monitoring
- WH&B research advisory team
 - Advises WH&B Division Chief
 - Oversees research
 - Reviews proposals





Ongoing and recent research

- See Table of Past and Present WH&B Research in packet
- Some Highlights:
 - USDA APHIS National Wildlife Research Center;
Oocyte growth factor vaccine pen trial (ongoing)
 - Colorado State University GonaCon booster field trial (concluded)





Ongoing and recent USGS research

- Fort Collins Science Center
Intrauterine Devices (In press)
Manuscript preparation for:
 - Gelding Study
 - Wild Horse Demography
 - Wild Burro Demography
 - Burro Survey Methods
 - Radio Collar Safety Validation
 - PopEquus Population Model
 - Beta version preparation
- Western Ecological Research Center
In Press:
 - Wild horse herds above AML affects Sage-grouse populationsData collection for:
 - Wild Horse / Livestock / Sage-Grouse interactions



Future directions for WH&B research

- Strategic Research Plan
 - In review
- Request for Proposals
 - \$1 Million in support of WH&B Fertility Control related studies
 - Proposals should respond to the solicitation, later in FY2021
 - Depending on funding availability

