

Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program Team Assessment Report

April 18, 2022

Off-Range Corral: Bruneau Off-Range Corral

State: Idaho

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Assessment Dates: April 14, 2022

Total Number of CAWP Off-Range Corral Standards: 117

Number of Applicable CAWP Standards: 58

Compliance with Applicable CAWP Standards: 54/58 = 93%

General Notes and Comments from the CAWP Team: Assessments of Off-Range Corrals includes the Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program standards for Off-Range Corrals and, Transportation as applicable.

Coordination and access to the Bruneau Off-Range Corral was excellent. The ability to see and access the facility was good, as was the opportunity to ask and answer questions. During the assessment period, the CAWP team did not observe any handling, moving, or sorting of wild horses or burros. It should be noted that even though this facility is short staffed, the organization of records and inventory of the pens is outstanding.

Requirements of Permanent Instruction Memorandum (PIM) 2021-002, Wild Horse and Burro Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program (CAWP):

- All state, district, and field offices will continue to comply with the WHB CAWP policy within their jurisdictions at all times. This includes the CAWP Standards for Off-Range Corral Facilities, Transportation, and Adoption/Sale Events.
- All personnel, including contractor and partners involved in the care, handling, and transportation of wild horses and burros at off-range corrals and adoption/sale events are required to complete online training annually.

Conditions found to be in non-compliance with the CAWP Standards for Wild Horse and Burro Off-Range Corrals:

Facility Personnel

Standard

1.1.D The facility should be staffed by appropriate office staff for record maintenance and recording. (minor)

Non-Compliance: At this time the organization of records and inventory of the pens is outstanding; however, a facility this size likely needs to have administrative support to do the record keeping for this to be maintained long term. It is noted that there are plans to fill a

position to complete these duties on an ongoing basis, but the position was vacant at the time of the assessment.

Facility Design

Standard

1.II.F Fences in pens, alleys, and working chute systems must be not less than 6 feet high for horses, 5 feet high for burros, and the bottom rail must not be more than 12 inches from ground level. (major)

Non-Compliance: Several gates were either less than 6 feet in height or the bottom rail was more than 12 inches from the ground.

Standard

1.II.N Shelter structures should be designed or constructed to reduce the risk for injury of the WH&Bs and maintained to avoid excessive manure and mud. (minor)

Non-Compliance: There was excessive manure build up in the compromised animal pens. Also, the large tire feeder design in the pens appears to make it difficult to clean the pens.

Feed and Water

Standard

1.IV.C.4 Feeding sites must allow all WH&Bs within a pen simultaneous access to hay. (major)

Non-Compliance: Since some pens are fed in a bunk line on the short side of a rectangular shape, not all wild horses and burros within a pen had simultaneous access to hay.

Table 1: Standards and Overall Assessment Rating

CAWP Standards and Policy Requirements	Compliant	Partially Compliant	Non-Compliant	N/A
CAWP Trained BLM Staff	✓			
CAWP Contract Trained Staff	✓			
Facility Personnel		✓		
Facility Design		✓		
Loading and Unloading Facilities	✓			
Receiving Procedures				✓
Veterinarian	✓			
Biosecurity	✓			
Feed and Water		✓		
Preparation Procedures	✓			
Euthanasia Procedures	✓			
Carcass Disposal	✓			
Willful Acts of Abuse				✓
General Handling				✓
Handling Aids	✓			
Care of WHBs During Transport Preparation Procedures				✓
Vehicles				✓
Transport Procedures				✓
<i>Compliant – all the activities were compliant with the standards or policy requirements. Partially compliant – one or more of the activities were non-compliant with the standards or policy requirements. Non-Compliant – all standards were non-compliant with the standards or policy requirements. N/A – standards that are not assessed during an assessment.</i>				

Final CAWP Assessment Rating: Good. 93% of applicable CAWP standards were met.