# Northern Nevada Correctional Center & Bureau of Land Management's

Saddle-started Wild Horse and Burro Adoption



## Saturday, June 11, 2022

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

9:00-10:00am: Preview Wild Horses 10:00am: Competitive-Bid Adoption begins



**Event location:** Northern Nevada Correctional Center Facility 1721 Snyder Avenue, Carson City, Nevada 89701



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 Northern Nevada Correctional Center (NNCC) and Bureau of Land Management (BLM) hosts three 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, the National Park Service, Law Enforcement Mounted Units, Military Mounted Units and Nevada's Fish and Wildlife agencies.

Over 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 questions 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 (go left - 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 (go right - 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.

<u>NO</u> TOBACCO OR CELL PHONES ARE PERMITTED ON THE GROUNDS DURING THE EVENT! <u>NO</u> 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

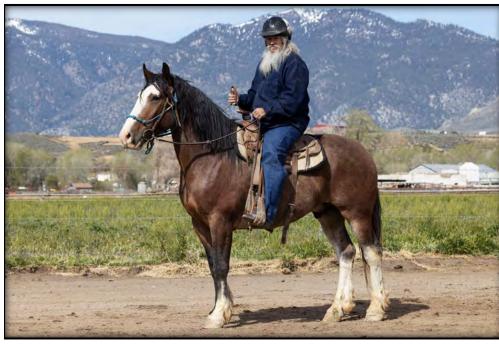
## Nefarious #1050





Freezemark #17891050 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 1,025 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Cody Cahill

"Nefarious" is a very well-tempered Gray gelding with a nice head and sturdy body. He is extremely soft in the bit and responds well to leg cues. He does not spook easily and would be a great horse for pleasure riding. He has a smooth trot and lope and also trailer loads well. He has been pretty amazing to train! He was gathered on September 28, 2020.



## Crush #0935



Freezemark #18890935 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Diamond Hills North (NV0104) Trainer: Jared Dicks

"Crush" has a loving personality that made building trust easy. He listens well and is a quick learner. He has a smooth trot and a good stop. Learning to trailer load and will pick up all four feet are his latest accomplishments. "Crush" will be a good addition to anyone's life! He was gathered on September 16, 2020.

## Urban #1077





Freezemark #14891077 Age 8 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Ben Criglar

"Urban" is a soft horse that is willing to learn and has been easy to work with. He is a very reliable horse with a calm personality and can stop on command. He is always ready to work and is a great listener as well as a loving and dependable horse! He was gathered on September 28, 2020.



### Fred #0794



Freezemark #15890794 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,250 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Eric Cross

"Fred" is a sturdy Bay with a strong body and a willing attitude. He would work great on a ranch or would be good for hunting or riding mountain trails. He trailer loads and is good about his feet. He was gathered on September 20, 2020.

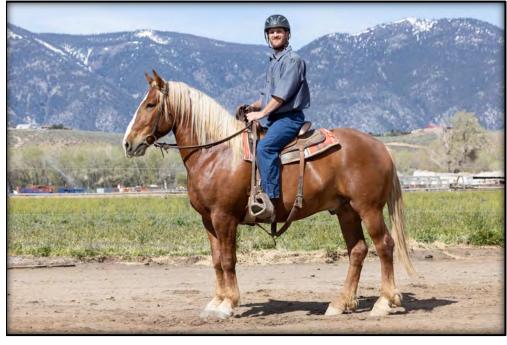
## Yellow Hair #0843





Freezemark #17890843 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,250 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Terry Jones

"Yellow Hair" is a nice 5-year-old Palomino that handles really nice. He moves off your feet real well, trailer loads, and he picks up all his feet. He is a real nice ride and will be a great companion for his new owner! He was gathered on September 20, 2020.



## Darrow #0864



Freezemark #16890864 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,175 pounds HMA: Diamond Hills South (NV0412) Trainer: Jared Dicks

"Darrow" is a beautiful 6-year-old Flaxen Mane Sorrel with tons of energy. He has a comfortable walk, trot, and canter. He is sensitive to the bit as well as foot cues. He loves a job to do and likes long trail rides. Because of his athletic abilities, he excels at obstacles such as barrels, jumps and tight turns. He will be a great friend for an advanced rider that likes to have fun and adventure! He was gathered on September 13, 2020.

## Astro #1080





Freezemark #18891080 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Jordan Davis

"Astro" is a calm Palomino gelding who responds well to leg and vocal cues. He backs well and has great speed control. He is familiar with ropes and opens and closes gates. He has also been ridden bare back of which might come in handy in this economy. "Astro" is curious and is very willing to learn as he picks up lessons quickly. He has a sensitive spot on his mane that makes him fun to tickle. He was gathered on September 28, 2020.



## **Brandy #7992**



Freezemark #16627992 Age 6 Sex: Mare Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,175 pounds HMA: Snowstorm Mtns (NV0201) Trainer: Cameron Artis and Terry Jones

"Brandy" is a nice Bay that is good natured and well started. She will trailer load and has had her feet handled. She has a really nice attitude and should develop into an excellent pleasure or trail horse! She was gathered on September 22, 2018.

## Cooper #4271





Freezemark #18634271 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,075 pounds HMA: Antelope Valley (NV0107) Trainer: David Dudo

"Cooper" is a fun and spirited Dun. He is eager to learn and completes tasks well and takes good direction. He will make a good horse for an experienced rider as he is apprehensive at times even though he moves over obstacles quickly with good results. "Cooper" was easy to make a strong connection with. He was gathered on July 8, 2019.



#### Jack #1018



Freezemark #17891018 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Shawn Kennedy

"Jack" is a very calm and gentle Sorrel. He learns well and picks up on cues quickly. He is good to trim and also trailer loads. He is very trusting, and we bonded very quickly. He was gathered on September 17, 2020.

## Carmello #0916





Freezemark #17890916 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Diamond Hills North (NV0104) Trainer: Ben Criglar

"Carmello" is very smart and a quick learning Gelding. He listens well and takes commands real well. He is a great riding horse and can turn with the easiest of commands. He picks up all cues fast and smooth as he is an outstanding Buckskin with a great coat and a charming smile! He was gathered on September 16, 2020.



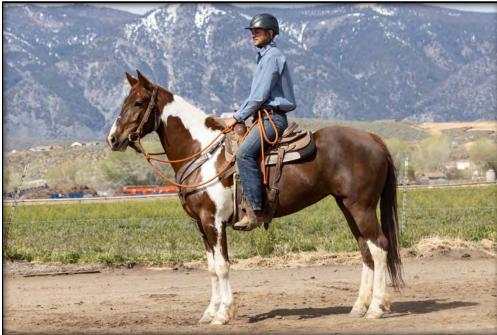
#### Billy #6182



Freezemark #19636182 Age 3 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,125 pounds HMA: Eagle (NV0414) Trainer: Eric Cross

"Billy" is a 3-year-old Gelding with a loving personality. He is learning good control with the legs and light bit pressure. "Billy" is a pleasure to ride, is great with picking up his feet, and a champ with gates. He is a bargain at any price so do not miss out on this beauty! He was gathered on February 2, 2020.

## Karen #8195





Freezemark #16628195 Age 6 Sex: Mare Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,200 pounds HMA: Little Owyhee (NV0200) Trainer: Jordan Davis

"Karen" is a beautiful Sorrel and white Paint Mare. She side passes, opens and closes gates, and will be good for pleasure riding or moving animals. She is smart and pretty with a little bit of an attitude. She is very ticklish and loves to be petted. She is a fun ride, but the rider needs to be experienced. She was gathered on September 26, 2018.



## Rambo #1029



Freezemark #15891029 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,125 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Hugo Rodriguez

"Rambo" is a strong and stocky Roan Gelding. He is a very mellow horse and has a smooth lope. He is very willing to work, great with leg cues, and trailer loads well. Overall, he is a great horse. He was gathered on September 28, 2020.

## Floki #1058





Freezemark #17891058 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,025 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Jared Dicks

"Floki" is well mannered, playful, and a very affectionate 5-year-old Chestnut gelding that loves attention. He is a fast learner with good patience; I have focused on turns, speed control, neck reigning, side passing, gates, and foot cues. He is such a good listener and would be great for anyone including children or a working man! He was gathered on September 28, 2020.



## Wingman #3172



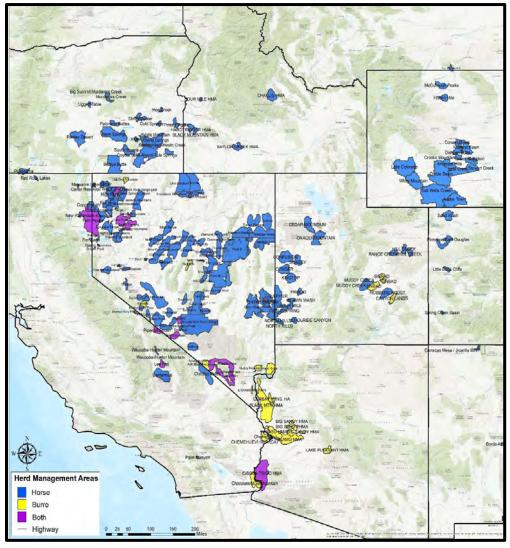
Freezemark #16633172 Age 6 Sex: Johnny Height: 11.0 hands Weight: 700 pounds HMA: Seven Troughs (NV0216) Trainer: Jordan Davis

"Wingman" is a great looking burro paint who will make a great addition to someone's farm or ranch. He is working on halter training and picking up his feet and with some training may be able to pull a cart for transportation or work-related tasks. He was gathered on 9/29/2020.

## **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 26,785 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.

#### What types of payments are accepted?

- The BLM would prefer payments made on Credit Cards such as VISA, MasterCard, American Express and Discover.
- The BLM also accepts personal checks, money orders, 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 tentatively scheduled for October 8, 2022