Presentation Outline

• WHB Program Goals
• Facts & Figures
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• Addressing the Challenges
WHB Program Goals

• Maintain healthy herds on healthy rangelands
• Ensure the health and welfare of animals in our care
• Place excess animals into good homes
Fact & Figures

• 10 Western states
• 177 Herd Management Areas (HMAs)
• 26.9 million acres of public rangelands
• 26,690 animals is the AML
• 88,000 animals on the range (March 2019)
• 48,000 animals in holding (May 2019)
  • 12,000 in corrals
  • 36,000 in pastures
• 4,609 adopted/sold in FY2018
• 11,472 removed from the range in FY2018
Off-Range Corrals and Pastures

BLM Wild Horse and Burro
Off-Range Facilities
as of 11/30/2018

- Off-Range Corrals
- Public Off-Range Pastures
- Off-Range Pastures

Miles 0 200
Adoptions/Sales
Adoptions and Sales

All years Fiscal (Oct. 1 - Sept. 30)
FY19 figures current as of June 21, 2019
Adoption/Sale Event Locations
Adoption Incentive Program

• BLM begins realizing a cost savings in the first year of program
  o Encourage new individuals and organizations to adopt untrained wild horses or burros
  o Encourage prior adopters to consider adopting additional animals
  o $1,000 incentive ($500 at adoption and $500 at title)

• >1,000 animals adopted through incentive program since inception
Key Partnerships

• Increase efforts to train animals through partnerships

Mustang Heritage Foundation: 2,000/year

Inmate Training Programs
Programs

- Youth
- Veterans
- Volunteers
Research

1. Fertility Control
   • Vaccine formulation & delivery, IUDs, spay & neuter, new methods, modeling

1. Improved understanding of WHB ecology
   • Movements, Behavior, Safety

2. Improved survey methods
Addressing the Challenges

- April 2018 BLM Report to Congress – “Management Options for a Sustainable Wild Horse and Burro Program”

- Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2019 – Asked BLM to submit additional analysis to 2018 Report – Due August 2019
Questions