# Northern Nevada Correctional Center & Bureau of Land Management's Wild Horse & Burro Adoption



# Saturday, October 14, 2023



# Up to 20 Saddle-started Wild Horses and 1 Wild Burro will be available for Adoption

9:00-10:00am: Preview Wild Horses and Wild Burro 10:00am: Competitive-Bid Adoption Begins



<u>Event location</u>: 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 45 - 60 wild horses (and burros) are trained and adopted each year through these public events. In addition, the NNCC also 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.



#### - Adoption Bids start at \$150.00 -

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.

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

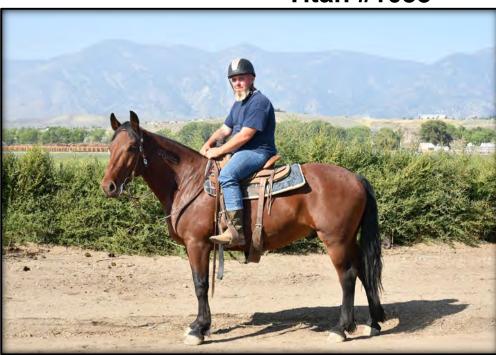
## Jenny #0045





Freezemark #21770045 Age 2 Sex: Jenny (Female) Height: 11.3 hands Weight: 450 pounds HMA: Seven Troughs (NV0216) Trainer: Shane Marsh

"Jenny" is a sweetheart with a very friendly personality. She does not spook easily and has never offered a kick. We have spent a lot of time taking her around the ranch getting her comfortable with various situations so she will be ready for her new home. She leads like a dream and picks up her feet with ease. I have unlocked the key to her heart with carrots...so I keep a good supply on hand. This Jenny is a real good girl and will make a great pet. She was gathered on August 5, 2022.



### Titan #1033



Freezemark #19891033 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Joseph Carmignani

"Titan" is a young, spirited Bay that is very gentle and easy going. He allows his feet to be picked up and also trailer loads. This horse's calm demeanor makes him very enjoyable to ride. Titan was gathered on September 28, 2020.

### **Scooter #6888**





Freezemark #16636888 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Eagle (NV0414) Trainer: Austin Rivers

"Scooter" is a very friendly, calm, and loving Sorrel. He stands at 15 hands and is a very quick learner. He trailer loads easily and is gentle on his feet. This horse has great speed control and stops on a dime. This has been an enjoyable and overall wonderful experience training with him. Scooter was gathered on February 18, 2020.



**Bud #7829** 



Freezemark #18897829 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1025 pounds HMA: Sand Springs (OR0017) Trainer: Colton Kochampanaskei

"Bud" is a Buckskin colored gelding that has been a pleasure to work with. We work on ground training; he is able to pick up all four feet and trailer loads. I have been able to ride him with a snaffle bit and also a Tom Thumb bit. Bud is a real good horse and will be a great addition to any home. He was gathered on October 27, 2021.

## Thor #1045





Freezemark #13891045 Age 10 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Brett Badger

"Thor" is a 10-year-old Bay that has great speed control and a smooth trot. He trailer loads and easily picks up all four feet. Thor has moved cows and is very sure footed. He moves easy through most terrain and will make a great working ranch horse. Thor was gathered on September 28, 2020.



## Mr. Dank #1059



Freezemark #15891059 Age 8 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Diamond (NV0609) Trainer: Ian Acklin

"Mr. Dank" is very smooth and is always ready to go when needed. He is great at stopping, pushing, and tracking. He would be a great roping horse if trained, as he catches on real quickly. He listens well and moves fast but he can be spooky at times. Mr. Dank will be a great addition to any family. He was gathered on September 28, 2020.

## Rocky #7835





Freezemark #17897835 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,025 pounds HMA: Coyote Lake/Alvord-Tule (OR0014) Trainer: Jose Rodriguez

"Rocky" is a good Buckskin colored gelding that is very gentle. He has been ridden with or without a saddle or even just a pad. I have used a Hackamore, Tom Thumb, snaffle bit or just a halter with ease as he is very flexible to ride. He is a very calm and loving horse and will be missed. Rocky was gathered on October 26, 2021.



Kilo #7781



Freezemark #17897781 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Hugo Rodriguez

"Kilo" has been a very gentle Blue Roan colored gelding since the very beginning of our training sessions. I enjoy working with him because he is just a handful of fun and adventure. Kilo trailer loads easily and picks up all four feet without a problem. He will be a great addition as riders of all abilities can ride him. Kilo was gathered on October 24, 2021.

## El A's de Oros #0944





Freezemark #16890944 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.2 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Diamond Hills-North (NV0104) Trainer: Jamie Pena-Curiel

"El A's de Oros" is a great looking Palomino. He handles well and is great will all four feet. He lets me clean and trim his hooves and he also trailer loads with ease. A's de Oros has moved cattle and I have thrown a rope off of him. You will not be disappointed so please take this beautiful horse to his new home! A's de Oros was gathered on September 16, 2020.



## Tsokanghe #7682



Freezemark #18897682 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,150 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Matt Grissom

"Tsokanghe" means "My Boy" and this large Brown mustang is a very good boy. If you are looking for a horse with a cleaver personality, this gentle and controlled gelding is the one for you. He is a quick learner and is eager to please. He is very affectionate, and kind and he is always ready to go. Tsokanghe is great with obstacles and does not spook easily when introduced to new things. He is very curious and never afraid which will make him a great partner for whatever job you choose to use him for. He was gathered on September 26, 2021.

## Indio #7744





Freezemark #19897744 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,175 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Jamie Pena-Curiel

"Indio" is a wonderful and gentle Black colored gelding with a calm and cool attitude. He is very soft mouthed and handles well. I have pushed cattle and have roped off of him. He is well behaved when I trim and clean all four feet and is ready and eager to load into your trailer. You will not be disappointed when you take him home! He was gathered on October 20, 2021.



#### Chops #7749



Freezemark #17897749 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Benjamin Criglar

This has been a remarkable transformation while working with "Chops". At first, training him was like working with a porcupine and now he is as easy as a Sunday morning. Chops will always be a curious Bay and he handles elegantly when riding and responding to reigns. He has style and grace and loves trail rides as well as the different tasks that he is asked to accomplish. He is a quick learned and responds well when correcting his mistakes. Chops was gathered on October 20, 2021.

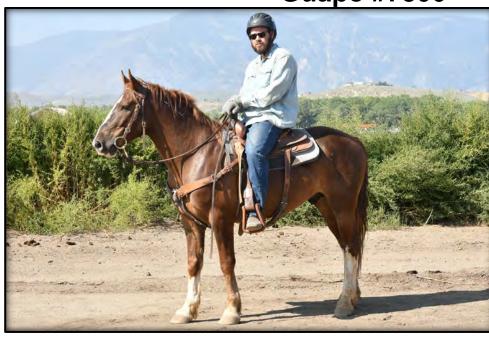
## Jo Hi #6374





Freezemark #17026374 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 16.0 hands Weight: 1,250 pounds HMA: Paisley Desert (OR0001) Trainer: Colton Kochampanasken

"Jo Hi" is an awesome Bay gelding due to his calm and gentle demeanor. He can pick up all four feet with ease and I can work on his feet without a fuss. Jo-Hi trailer loads and he is a joy to ride as he travels real smooth from a walk to a gait. He was gathered on October 20, 2020.



## Guapo #7806



Freezewark #16897806 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Hugo Rodriguez

"Guapo" has come a long way from when I started this handsome Sorrel. He is a very smart with incredible learning abilities. Guapo trailer loads with no problems and he slowly picks up all four feet with ease. He is a great ride and loves to ride on trails. Guapo was gathered on October 24, 2021.

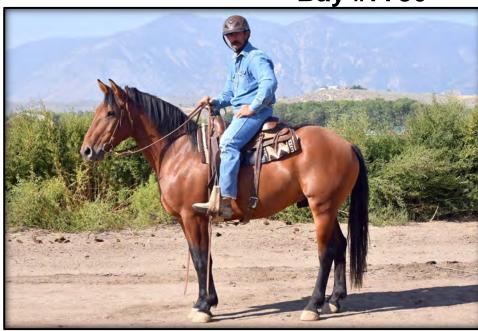
## **Big Bad Leroy Brown #7812**





Freezemark #19897812 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 16.0 hands Weight: 1,125 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Matt Grissom

"Big Bad Leroy Brown" is a very stout and strong built gelding that would make a good pack or ranch horse as he moves out well with a very comfortable trot. He is very gentle and would be great for a more experienced rider as he exhibits lots of potential. He is obedient, has a great attitude and will make someone very happy. He was gathered on October 24, 2021.



Bay #7730



Freezemark #17897730 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands Weight: 1,000 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Shane Marsh

This is a really nice Bay for any purpose. He has great speed control as well as a nice stop from all 3 gaits. He can isolate his hips and shoulders independently of each other and has a very nice side pass. This Bay picks up all his feet and trailer loads with ease. He has been ridden by trainers with varied levels of experience which makes him adoptable for all levels of rider experience. Please take him to a great home as you will not disappointed. He was gathered on October 19, 2021.

## Transformer #7836





Freezemark #19897836 Age 4 Sex: Gelding Height: 16.0 hands Weight: 1,150 pounds HMA: Coyote Lake/Alvord-Tule (OR0014) Trainer: Leonardo Carrasco

"Transformer" is a calm Sorrel gelding that trailer loads very easily. He enjoys all ranch work and loves to trail ride. He is very soft in the mouth and picks up all four feet. Transformer has a nice, smooth canter and pushes cattle with ease which makes him a very good all-around working horse. Transformer was gathered on October 26, 2021.



## Freedom #7874



Freezemark #18897874 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,075 pounds HMA: Coyote Lake/Alvord-Tule (OR0014) Trainer: Benjamin Criglar

"Freedom" is a very positive horse that has a magnificent grace about him. He responds with alertness to reigns and is very smooth and quiet when it comes to groundwork. He loves moving cattle and is always ready to work. When not working, he also enjoys a nice peaceful walk on any type of trail which makes him a joy to be with so take him home today! Freedom was gathered on October 24, 2021.

## Bald Face Bay #7885





Freezemark #16897885 Age 7 Sex: Gelding Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 950 pounds HMA: Coyote Lake/Alvord-Tule (OR0014) Trainer: Shane Marsh

This Bald Face Bay is a really cool and friendly little guy. He has great speed control and steers like a Cadillac. He has a smooth ride and has a nice, controlled stop at any gait. Some of his training has consisted of picking up all four feet, trailer loading in a variety of trailers, and he is good working with gates and obstacles. This horse is a pleasure to work with and will make a great addition to his new home. He was gathered on October 24, 2021.



## Hurricane #7945



Freezemark #17897945 Age 6 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Jose Rodriguez

"Hurricane" is a nice-looking Brown gelding, and he is very smart with instructions. He is very gentle and loves to be brushed out. Hurricane is a joy to ride, and I have used both a snaffle bit and a Tom Thumb on him. He was gathered on October 19, 2021.

### Prada-"G" #7977





Freezemark #18897977 Age 5 Sex: Gelding Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,250 pounds HMA: Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016) Trainer: Benjamin Criglar

There is no shadow of a doubt that this Prada-"G" will tug at you heart strings and you will not be disappointed with his abilities. He is such an outstanding Bay and exceptionally intelligent. He has smooth groundwork and responds very well to the reigns and canters like no other. You can ask or tell him what you want, and he will intuitively grant your request. This horse works well with cattle and will trail ride all day. Prada-"G" was gathered on October 29, 2021.

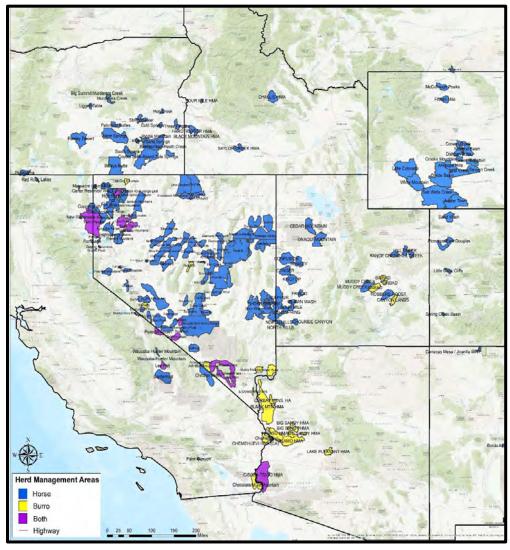




## **Bureau of Land Management Herd Management Areas**

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 on the range 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 \$3,500 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 February 24, 2024