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



Saturday, February 24, 2024

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









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 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

Dexter #7016





Freezemark #21897016

Age 3

Sex: Gelded Jack (Male)

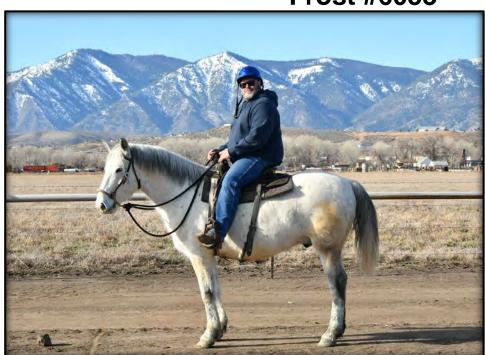
Height: 12.3 hands Weight: 550 pounds HMA: Seven Troughs

(NV0216)

Trainer: Shane Marsh

"Dexter" is an extremely people friendly burro. He leads very well and can also be ponied behind a horse. He does take a pack saddle without any struggles; he has been started with on bridle training and is learning how to give to pressure. Dexter has also had a few lighter weight people on his back and does not buck. Though I would not consider him saddle trained yet, I would say that it is something that would be easily accomplished. He trailer loads and picks up all feet easily without offering kicks – he is ready to go to his new home. Dexter was born at NNCC on February 1, 2021.

Frost #6053





Freezemark #17626053

Age 7

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.2 hands
Weight: 850 pounds
HMA: Triple B

(NV04017)

Trainer: Brett Badger

This 7-year-old Gray gelding was gentle from the very start and with his calm demeanor, makes for a very enjoyable ride. He trailer loads easily and allows all his feet to be picked up with ease. This horse responds well either on a trail ride or moving cows to all cues. It was a pleasure to work with Frost, but now he deserves a good home. Frost was gathered on February 10, 2018.

Buddy #0512





Freezemark #19900512

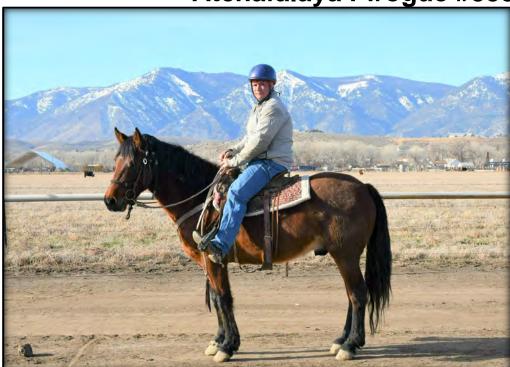
Age 5
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.0 hands
Weight: 1,000 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: Matthew Grissom

"Buddy" is short for "My Lil' Buddy" because he is exactly that. He has such a sweet and calm temperament that you will fall in love with him. We were partners from the start, and he loves to be petted, groomed, and played with. Don't be fooled by his narrow frame as he is as stout and agile as they come! Buddy enjoys being out and is by no means lazy. He is easy to control, gentle with his feet, trailer loads, and is eager to listen and learn. Buddy was gathered on August 10, 2022.

Atchafalaya Pirogue #3388





Freezemark #18893388

Age 6

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.0 hands
Weight: 1,050 pounds
HMA: Jackson Mountains

(NV0208)

Trainer: Cooper Éllis

"Atchafalaya Pirogue" is a gentle horse that loves to be ridden. He is a beautiful Bay with a soft coat that begs to be petted. He waits eagerly at his stall gate on a daily basis to begin his day. He follows voice commands with ease, trailer loads, and picks up all four feet with no problem. He was gathered on September 23, 2021.

Coyote #0033





Freezemark #20900033

Age 4

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: Victor Guerrera-Lezo

"Coyote" is a beautiful Buckskin that is curious and gentle. He has good speed control and listens to all my cues. Coyote trailer loads easily and is a joy to ride. He was gathered on August 4, 2022.

Roan #0071





Freezemark #17900071

Age 7

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.2 hands
Weight: 1,300 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: Shane Marsh

This strong and sturdy horse is a real pleasure to ride. He has great speed control as well as a great stop and back up. He moves both hips and shoulders independently and has a really good side pass. He's been worked on gates and trailers as well as he has been used several times to move cattle. This Roan is very responsive from the ground or in the saddle to all his cues. This friendly horse is ready for a good home, and I am sure going to miss him. "Roan" was gathered on August 4, 2022.

Cantador #0085





Freezemark #18900085

Age

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.3 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds Twin Peaks HMA:

(CA0242)

Trainer: Leonardo Carrasco

"Cantador" is a 6-year-old Sorrel with a soft temperament. He has been an easy-going horse from the very beginning. He has a smooth, slow trot as well as his canter. I can trailer load him and pick up all four of his feet. Cantador would make a great pleasure/trail horse. He was gathered on August 6, 2022.

Regalo Caro #0859





Freezemark #20750859

Age 4

Sex: Gelding Height: 16.0 hands Weight: 1,200 pounds HMA: Little Owyhee

(NV0200)

Trainer: Hugo Rodriguez

"Regalo Caro" is Spanish for "expensive gift". He is a 4-year-old Blue Roan with excellent speed control. He picks up all four feet with ease and trailer loads with no problem. He is a pleasure to ride and train and has a lot of potential. Regalo Caro was gathered on October 19, 2021

Copper #7834





Freezemark #17897834

Age 7

Sex: Gelding
Height: 16.1 hands
Weight: 1,250 pounds
HMA: Coyote Lake / AlvordTule Springs (OR0014)

Trainer: Jose Rodriguez

"Copper" is a strong looking Chestnut that loves people. He is very easy to catch in both a pen or an open arena. He is very calm and loves to work or go on trail rides. He is very light on the mouth and stops really well and has also worked cattle a few times. This loving and gentle horse follows me around walking or totting without a lead rope. Copper is starting to stop while just sitting in the saddle and by saying "whoa" as he is very smart. He was gathered on October 26, 2021.

Baby Blue #6540





Freezemark #19636540

Age 5

Sex: Gelding
Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 900 pounds HMA: Mount Elinor

(UT0446)

Trainer: Victor Guerra-Lezo

"Baby Blue" is a very playful and curious Blue Roan. He is a smart horse and is a quick learner. I can trailer load him and pick up all four feet with ease. Baby Blue is calm and gentle and is good around other horses. You will not be disappointed so please take this beautiful horse to his new home. He was gathered on February 18, 2020.

Honor #0213





Freezemark #19900213

Age 5

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)
Trainer: Mathew Hunter

"Honor" is an outstanding Sorrel, and it has been a real pleasure to work with. This horse was a little slow to warm up to me but when he did he gave me his all. Honor has a very good temperament and would make a good trail horse as he loves to do things at a slow and steady pace, but he will move if you ask him to. He is able to pick up all four feet and has been ridden with only a snaffle-bit and is light to the touch. Honor will make a good ridding horse for whomever is lucky enough to take him home. He was gathered on August 8, 2022.

Bay with Check #0205





Freezemark #17900205

Age 7

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.0 hands

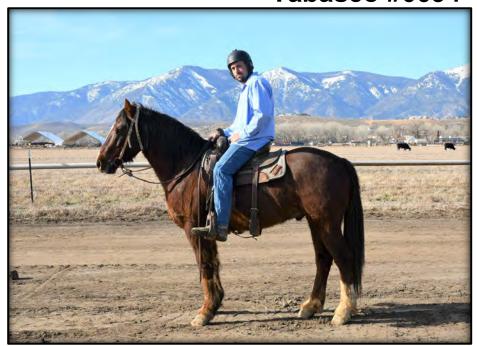
Weight: 1,100 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: Shane Marsh

This Bay is my buddy, and he responds to all of his cues from the ground or in the saddle with very little pressure. The way that he handles from the saddle is what you dream of. He is very light in the mouth and has a great stop and backup. He moves his hips and shoulders independently and has a wonderful side pass. He loads in the trailer, has worked gates, picks up all four feet - whatever your pleasure, this horse will fit the criteria. He was gathered on August 8, 2022.

Tabasco #0094





Freezemark #19900094

Age 5

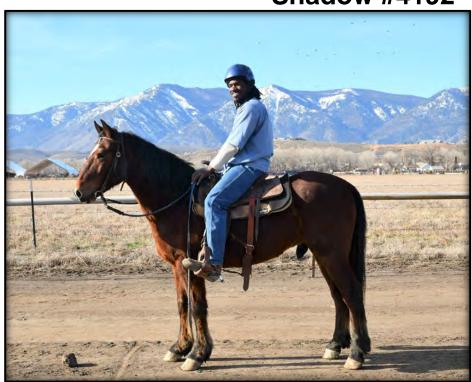
Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.1 hands
Weight: 1,100 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: James O'Brien

"Tabasco" is a very spirited 5-year-old Bay that is very affectionate. He loves to please his rider and listens well to instruction. Tabasco would be good for work or pleasure riding as he has a stocky build and is stout and sturdy. He was gathered on August 6, 2022.

Shadow #4192





Freezemark #17894192

Age 7

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.1 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: NV Wild Horse Range

(NV0524)

Trainer: Leonard Glover

"Shadow" is a handsome Bay with a white diamond pattern on his forehead and the tip of his nose. He is very gentle and will allow you to crawl underneath him as well as pick up all four feet. He is an alert horse who pays attention to his surroundings. Shadow would be best geared for work with a more experienced rider. He is agile with an athletic build and can gallop fast. I have used a snaffle bit mostly and leverage bit once. Please bid high as he is well worth it. Shadow was gathered on January 1, 2022.

McClintock #5267





Freezemark #20895267

Age 4

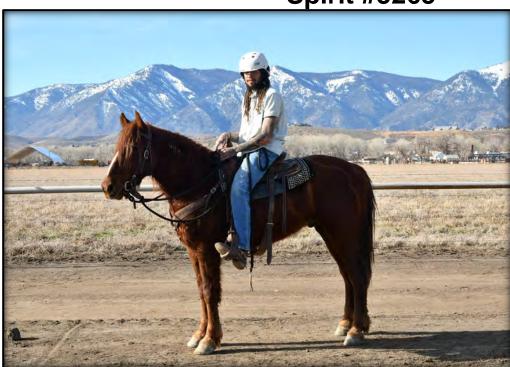
Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,050 pounds HMA: Buffalo Hills

(NV0220)

Trainer: Colton Kochampanaskei

"McClintock" is a 4-year-old Black gelding who has come a long way from when we first started our training as he is now a strong and confident Mustang. In the mornings he will stand still for you when being brushed, while picking up all his feet for cleaning or when I throw the saddle pad and saddle on him from either side. He has a smooth transition from a walk to a gait and has great speed control. All McClintock desires is a home to call his own and a friend to be his pal for the rest of his life. He was gathered on July 4, 2022.

Spirit #5265





Freezemark #18895265

Age 6

HMA:

Sex: Gelding Height: 15.2 hands Weight: 1,100 pounds

(NV0220)

Buffalo Hills

Trainer: Mathew Hunter

"Spirit" is an amazing horse that will give what you ask of him. He has a very good canter, can change leads well, and I am able to pick up all four feet with ease. Spirit has been ridden by two different people and he is a gentle Sorrel that would make a great new member to a loving family. He was gathered on July 4, 2022.

Tyiesha #5994





Freezemark #19895994

Age 5 Sex: Mare

Height: 14.3 hands Weight: 850 pounds HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: Benjamin Criglar

"Tyiesha" is cut from a different breed, and she will give you everything you need when asked of her. She would even give you her purse if she had one as she is a real pleaser. She has great eye and foot coordination and is soft like a pillow when handling the reins. Tyiesha has pushed cattle and bulls with no fear, and she also trailer loads and picks up all four feet. She is all that and a cherry on top and will make a great addition to the lucky bidder. Tyiesha was gathered on August 5, 2022.

Douglas #5323





Freezemark #19895323

Age 5

Sex: Gelding Height: 16.1 hands Weight: 1,150 pounds

HMA: Sheepshead-Health

Creek (OR0016)
Trainer: Colton Kochampanaske

"Little Douglas" is a is a 4-year-old Brown Gelding with a star on his forehead and is waiting for that forever friend to bring him home. Since day one he has been a great pal to me and brings to me a feeling I cannot express with words. He picks up all four feet with ease and does not make a fuss about being trimmed or rasped and a farrier should never have any problems with him. He is not shy about his head so there will be not trouble with sliding the head stall over his ears and slipping the bit into his mouth. He was gathered on July 7, 2022.

Harley #1053





Freezemark #18891053

Age 6

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.0 hands
Weight: 1,200 pounds
HMA: Diamond

(NV0609)

Trainer: Joseph Carmignani

"Harley" is a very powerful, strong, and confident Sorrel. He is sure footed and will climb up or over any obstacles that we came across. He is very affectionate and loving and is gentle around people or other animals. I am able to lift all four feet and he trailer loads with ease. Harley is a wonderful horse and will make a great addition to his new home. He was gathered on September 28, 2020.

Polly B #7774





Freezemark #18897774

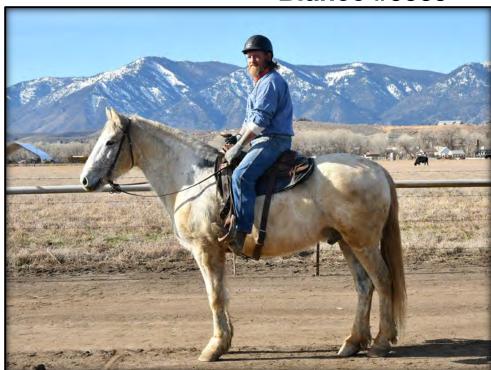
Age 6
Sex: Gelding
Height: 16.0 hands
Weight: 1,025 pounds
HMA: Sheepshead-Heath

Creek (OR0016)

Trainer: Benjamin Criglar

"Polly B" makes me grateful and thankful for the experience. He gave me the confidence to be able to ride him. He floats like a butterfly while sitting in the saddle. He is great with all four feet, trailer loads, and loves to eat carrots. Polly B is light with the reins as I have spent quite a bit of time neck reining him. He is more of a trail horse or show horse; he's very reliable and trustworthy. Polly B was gathered on October 20, 2021.

Blanco #5585





Freezemark #18895585

Age 6

Sex: Gelding
Height: 15.1 hands
Weight: 1,100 pounds
HMA: Twin Peaks

(CA0242)

Trainer: William Redman

Meet "Blanco", he is an amazing and handsome 6-year-old Gray. This guy has a smooth trot and lope that makes for a very comfortable ride. He picks up all of his feet and trailer loads easily. It has been a real pleasure to train and work with Blanco. He was gathered on July 29, 2022.







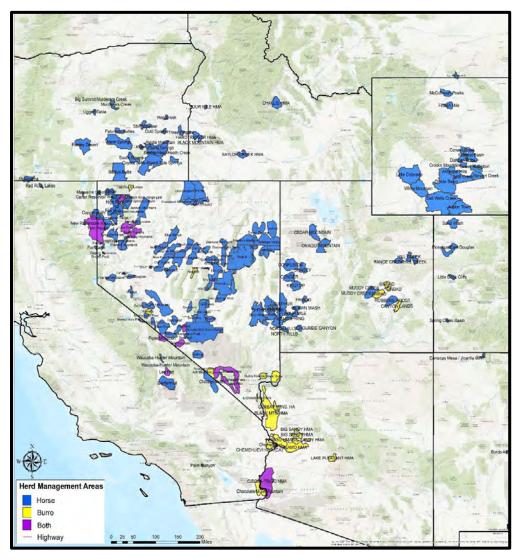




Bureau of Land Management Herd Management Areas

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 June 15, 2024