

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



**Saturday, June 21, 2025**

***Up to 18 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 once 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**



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**Nevada Department of Corrections – Silver State Industries and the  
Bureau of Land Management, Wild Horse and Burro Program**

# Order and Information of Animals

	Horse ID	AGE	TRAINER	HORSE	SEX	HMA	COLOR	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
1.	17900049	8	Justin Gagnon	Fireball	G	Twin Peaks (CA0242)	Bay	15.1	1,050
2.	17900055	8	Demariea Doucet	Jack	G	Twin Peaks (CA0242)	Bay	15.0	1,150
3.	20771784	5	James O'Brien	Resolution	G	Roberts Mountain (NV0607))	Bay	15.0	1,100
4.	18771835	7	David Carrison	Ozzy	G	Roberts Mountain (NV0607))	Bay	15.0	1,050
5.	20771847	8	Brian Ojeda	Dale Earnhorse Jr.	G	Roberts Mountain (NV0607))	Buckskin	15.1	1,050
6.	18903374	7	Damarion Bell	Dior	G	Clan Alpine (NV0310)	Sorrel	14.2	850
7.	20903380	5	Adam McGregor	Joker	G	Clan Alpine (NV0310)	Bay	14.2	800
8.	21893943	4	John Slowiak	Darlin	F	Nevada Wild Horse Range (NV0524)	Brown	14.2	1,000
9.	20896966	5	Marco Mendez	Pepper	G	(NV0619) Reveille	Gray	15.1	900
10.	21899078	4	Leonard Glover	Big Baby	G	(NV0107) Antelope Valley	Sorrel	15.1	1,100
11.	21899043	4	Vincent Uhlmer	Somethin' Special	G	Triple B (NV0417)	Sorrel	14.2	800
12.	21898343	4	Salvatore Limina	Ferb	G	Sand Springs (OR0017)	Dun	15.3	1,150
13.	20903288	8	Thomas Meagher	Poco	G	Clan Alpine (NV0310)	Bay	15.0	1,000
14.	21771813	4	Shawn Goode	Charlie	G	Roberts Mountain (NV0607))	Chestnut	15.0	1,000
15.	19897450	6	Brevyn Raining Bird	Hazel	F	Sheepshead-Heath Creek (OR0016)	Bay	15.0	1,000
16.	19903314	6	Israel Tadeo-Ibarra	Happy Feet	G	Clan Alpine (NV0310)	Gray	15.1	1,000
17.	20903231	5	Nolan Kerfeld	Brutus	G	Clan Alpine (NV0310)	Bay	14.3	950
18.	20899186	5	Damarion Bell	Jumpman	G	Sand Springs West (OR0630)	Gray	14.3	950
19.	21904583	4	Marco Mendez	Snickers	G	South Shoshone (NV0601)	Brown	12.1	500



## Fireball #0049



Freezemark #17900049

Age: 8  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.1 hands  
Weight: 1,050 pounds  
HMA: Twin Peaks  
(CA0242)  
Trainer: Justin Gagnon

Fireball is very fit and always ready to learn which makes him easy to saddle and trim. He takes a snaffle bit with no problem. Fireball is very loving once he gets to know you and is an all-around great horse.

## Jack #0055



Freezemark #17900055

Age: 8  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.0 hands  
Weight: 1,150 pounds  
HMA: Twin Peaks  
(CA0242)  
Trainer: Demariea Doucet

Jack is a well-balanced stocky bay. He is very gentle and follows his cues well. Jack can side pass and pick up all four feet. He gets along well with other horses and will make a great trail horse.



## Resolution #1784



Freezemark #20771784

Age 5

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.0 hands

Weight: 1,100 pounds

HMA: Roberts

Mountain (NV0607)

Trainer: James O'Brien

Resolution is a soft horse, and he gave me everything right away. He is a big lover and is very fun to ride. He has a good side pass with good hind movement. I can even ride him bareback.

## OZZY #1835



Freezemark #18771835

Age 7

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.0 hands

Weight: 1,050 pounds

HMA: Robert

Mountain (NV0607)

Trainer: David Carrison

Ozzy is a beautiful bay and is very gentle. He loves to be petted and pampered, but by no means is he spoiled or lazy. He is very sensitive in his handling and is light on the reins. He moves nicely and responds well to all his cues. You can tell that he really wants to get along thus making him a good partner. Ozzy is an all-around great horse.



## Dale Earnhorse Jr. #1847



Freezemark #20771847

Age: 5  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.1 hands  
Weight: 1,050 pounds  
HMA: Roberts  
Mountain (NV0607)  
Trainer: Brian Ojeda

If you are looking for an energetic work horse then Dale Jr. is the one. Do you need a horse that when you ride by people, they start to complement how big of a cowboy you are? Well you are in luck with this handsome and stout buckskin. He responds well to cues, is very gentle, and loves attention. Don't miss your opportunity to take him home as he will be a great addition to any ranch or family.

## Dior #3374



Freezemark #18903374

Age: 7  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 14.2 hands  
Weight: 850 pounds  
HMA: Clan Alpine  
(NV0310)  
Trainer: Damarion Bell

Dior is very handsome horse and loves to be petted. He has a nice lope, good speed control and is wonderful for moving cattle. Dior trailer loads with no trouble and picks up all four feet. You can rope off him, drag dummies and logs, ride bareback, and do lots of other tricks too. Come pick him up as he needs a good home. He is made to work-work-work, and it has been a real pleasure working with Dior and I am going to miss him.



## Joker #3380



Freezemark #20903380

Age 5

Sex: Gelding

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 800 pounds

HMA: Clan Alpine  
(NV0310)

Trainer: Adam McGregor

Joker is a very well-mannered bay. What he lacks in size he makes up for in heart. He responds well to the snaffle bit and is a real joy to ride. Joker is a great ride and an absolute pleasure to work with.

## Darlin #3943



Freezemark #21893943

Age 4

Sex: Mare

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 1,000 pounds

HMA: Nevada Wild Horse  
Range (NV0524)

Trainer: John Slowiak

Darlin is a very gentle and sweet mare. She has a small frame but is always ready to work. Darlin has a soft neck and is responsive in both the hackamore as well as a snaffle. She has been a pleasure to train and would be a good fit for rider of all skill levels.



## Pepper #6966



Freezemark #20896966

Age 5

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 900 pounds

HMA: Reveille  
(NV0619)

Trainer: Marco Mendez

Pepper is a gentle horse with a really good stop. He lopes at an easy pace and has a very soft mouth. He is very energetic and will be a great work horse. Pepper is good around cattle and performs well when roping a dummy. He also trailer loads and picks up all four feet with ease.

## Big Baby #9078



Freezemark #21899078

Age 4

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.1 hands

Weight: 1,100 pounds

HMA: Antelope Valley  
(NV0107)

Trainer: Leonard Glover

Big Baby is a handsome sorrel that has a mellow temperament. He loves to get groomed and petted on, and he will even lay his head in your lap. He has a smooth trot and nice controlled lope. He would be a great trail horse. I have also thrown a rope off him. Big Baby picks up all four feet easily. He responds to leg cues well and has been ridden mostly in a snaffle bit but can also be ridden in a hackamore. He will make a great addition to your family.



## Somethin' Special #9043



Freezemark #21899043

Age 4

Sex: Gelding

Height: 14.2 hands

Weight: 800 pounds

HMA: Triple B  
(NV0417)

Trainer: Vincent Uhlmer

I look forward to working with this horse every day. He is super gentle and will sleep with his head in my lap. He is very responsive and well behaved. He gives me all four feet, is easy to bridle, and will trailer load without a lead rope. Somethin' Special walks, trots, and lope very smoothly. He loves people and will make a great addition to any ranch or family. I will miss working with this special horse.

## Ferb #8343



Freezemark #21898343

Age 4

Sex: Gelding

Height: 15.3 hands

Weight: 1,150 pounds

HMA: Sand Springs  
(OR0017)

Trainer: Salvatore Limina

Ferb is a handsome Dun. He is gentle and very good with people, as well as other horses. Ferb gives all four feet when asked of him. He is a pleasure to train and ride, and he needs a loving home.



## Poco #3288

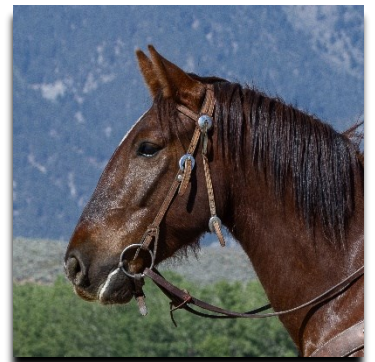


Freezemark #20903288

Age 5  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.0 hands  
Weight: 1,000 pounds  
HMA: Clan Alpine  
(NV0310)  
Trainer: Thomas Meagher

Poco is easy to catch, stands calmly while tied, is easy to saddle left or right, lowers his head to be bridled, and waits while being mounted on either side. Poco has had his hooves trimmed, trailer loads, can open and close gates, and is hobble broke. He can drag and heel a roping sled, and he has helped herd cattle and horses. Poco will make a great ranch horse.

## Charlie #1813



Freezemark #21771813

Age 4  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.0 hands  
Weight: 1,000 pounds  
HMA: Robert  
Mountains (NV0607)  
Trainer: Shawn Goode

Charlie is a well-rounded horse and has multiple speeds at any gait. He side passes, backs-up, and can slide stop. He neck reins well and has excellent shoulder and hip movement. You can rope from him and move cattle. He trailer loads, has excellent gait etiquette, and you can handle all four feet with ease. You can also ride him bareback. Charlie has a very loving disposition. So, keep your bid card raised ladies and gentlemen as you will really appreciate this horse and won't want to let him get away.



## Hazel #7450



Freezemark #19897450  
Age 6  
Sex: Mare  
Height: 15.0 hands  
Weight: 1,000 pounds  
HMA: Sheepshead-  
Heath Creek (OR0016)  
Trainer: Brevyn Raining  
Bird

Hazel has been a treat to train as she has a spunky personality. She is light in the bit and hackamore and is easy to trim all four feet. Hazel is fun to rope on and knows how to do long circles on and off the saddle. She has a wonderful stop and carries saddle bags well.

## Happy Feet #3314



Freezemark #19903314  
Age 6  
Sex: Gelding  
Height: 15.1 hands  
Weight: 1,000 pounds  
HMA: Clan Alpine  
(NV0310)  
Trainer: Isreal Tadeo-  
Ibarra

Happy Feet is very attractive Gray that is curious and eager to learn. He likes to be involved with whatever you are doing. He is good with his feet, supple easily, trailer loads, and is well started.



## Brutus #3231



Freezemark #20903231

Age 5

Sex: Gelding

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 950 pounds

HMA: Clan Alpine  
(NV0310)

Trainer: Nolan Kerfeld

No beating around the bush, Brutus is a great horse as he has come a long way since the first day of training. Brutus is eager to learn and loves attention as he has a big heart. Please take Brutus to a loving home.

## Jumpman #9186



Freezemark #20899186

Age 5

Sex: Gelding

Height: 14.3 hands

Weight: 950 pounds

HMA: Sand Springs  
West (OR0630)

Trainer: Damarion Bell

Jumpman is a very gentle horse with good speed control. You can rope off him, drag dummies and logs, and can saddle him without him being tied up. Jumpman can also be hobbled with no problems. He is very good with all four feet, you can ride him bareback and stand on him while doing all types of tricks. It has been a pleasure working with Jumpman and he needs a good home.



## Snickers #4583



Freezemark #21904583

Age 4

Sex: Gelding

Height: 12.1 hands

Weight: 500 pounds

HMA: South

Shoshone (NV0601)

Trainer: Marco Mendez

Snickers is a very gentle burro that loves attention and loves his carrots! He has been ridden and responds well to all cues. This burro is ready for all your needs, from riding to carrying loads or even bareback riding. You name it and he is ready. Snickers will be missed as he has been a real joy to work with.



# Bureau of Land Management Herd Management Areas

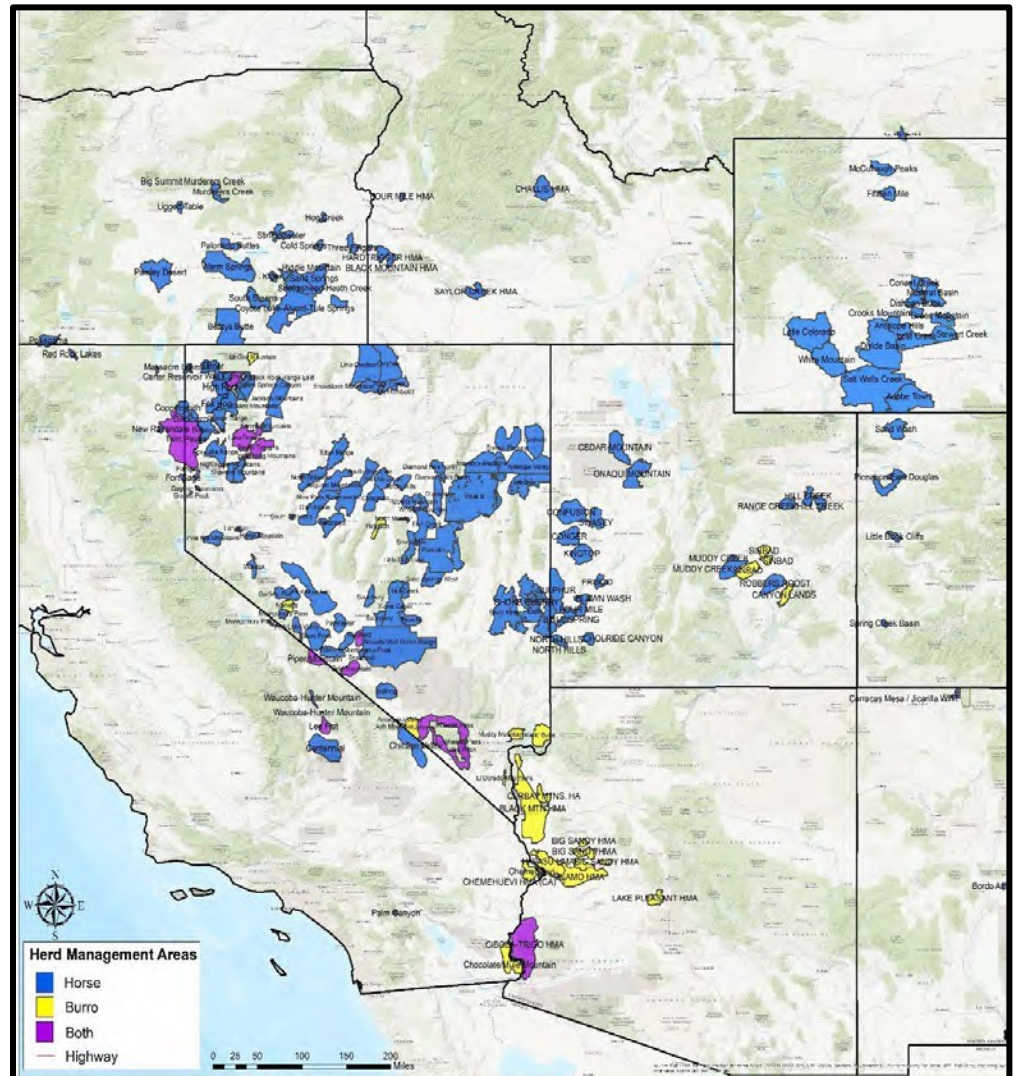
The BLM manages wild horses and burros in 177 herd management areas (HMA) on nearly 26.9 million acres of public land across 10 western states. Each HMA is unique in its terrain features, local climate, and natural resources, just as each herd is unique in its history, genetic heritage, coloring, and 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 October 25, 2025***