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IN REPLY TO:
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Dear Interested Party,

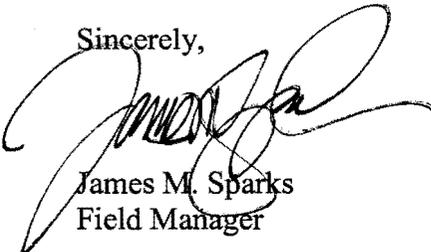
After consideration of public input during scoping and interdisciplinary review, the Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range (PMWHR) Non-Helicopter Gather Tiered Preliminary Environmental Assessment (EA) DOI-BLM-MT-010-2012-001 and unsigned Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) are available for a 30-day public review and comment period. The documents will be available at the Bureau of Land Management (BLM), Billings Field Office (BiFO) website at http://www.blm.gov/mt/st/en/fo/billings_field_office/wildhorses/pryorherd.html. The comment period will begin December 8, 2011, and end on January 6, 2012.

The EA is tiered to the PMWHR/Territory EA (MT-010-08-24) and Herd Management Area Plan (HMAP) May 2009. This tiered EA has been prepared to analyze the impacts associated to wild horses and other resources from conducting a non-helicopter wild horse gather. The analysis from the HMAP is incorporated by reference. All other impacts and affected environment are already described and analyzed in the HMAP and subsequent FONSI and Decision Record (DR). These documents are also available at the BLM web address listed above.

Comments about the EA or unsigned FONSI must be mailed or hand delivered to the Billings Field Office (at the letterhead address). The comments must be received by close of business January 6, 2012. The BLM will consider any substantive comments and revise the EA or FONSI as appropriate.

Thank you for your interest in the management of the PMWHR. If you have any questions concerning the EA or unsigned FONSI, please contact Jared Bybee, Wild Horse and Burro Specialist, at (406) 896-5223.

Sincerely,



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