

## Triple B Gather Fact Sheet

**What:** Triple B, Maverick-Medicine, and Antelope Valley Herd Management Areas (HMAs) Wild Horse Gather

**Where:** Approximately 30 miles northwest of Ely and 70 miles southeast of Elko, Nevada.

**Planned number of horses to be captured:** 1,726 excess wild horses

**Planned number of mares to be treated with the fertility-vaccine PZP and released back to the range:** If more than 1,726 wild horses are gathered, selective removal criteria would be used to return horses to the range. Of the horses remaining on the range, BLM would conduct fertility control measures on mares and/or adjust the sex ratios of the gathered animals to be returned to the HMA to 60 percent male/40 percent female ratios. The number of mares treated with PZP will be based on the number gathered.

**Planned number of horses to be removed from HMAs:** 1,726 excess wild horses

**Population to be left in HMAs:** Triple B HMA, 250-518 wild horses; Maverick-Medicine HMA, 166-276 wild horses; Antelope Valley HMA (west of U.S. Highway 93), 16-27 wild horses; Cherry Springs Wild Horse Territory (WHT), 40-68 wild horses. Wild horse numbers fluctuate between the HMAs and WHT, based on seasonal movement.

**Planned duration of gather:** July 7, 2011, to Aug. 20, 2011

**Reason/s for the Gather** There is insufficient forage and water resources present within the dominant ecological sites to support healthy wild horses. Consequently, wild horses within the Triple B Complex are in moderately thin body condition (Class four of the Henneke Body Condition Score). As a result, the wild horses are moving outside the HMA boundary in search of food and water.

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BLM YouTube "playlist" (WH&B section): <http://blm.gov/c65c>

**For Quick Facts about the program, go to:**

[http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild\\_horse\\_and\\_burro/wh\\_b\\_information\\_center/Fact\\_Sheet.html](http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild_horse_and_burro/wh_b_information_center/Fact_Sheet.html)

**For Myths and Facts about wild horse management, go to:**

[http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild\\_horse\\_and\\_burro/national/about/myths.html](http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild_horse_and_burro/national/about/myths.html)

**For information about the wild horse and burro adoption program, go to:**

[http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild\\_horse\\_and\\_burro/What\\_We\\_Do/wild\\_horse\\_and\\_burro0.html](http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/wild_horse_and_burro/What_We_Do/wild_horse_and_burro0.html)