



What to Know Before You Go



Instructions for Visitors to the Jackson Mountains Wild Horse Gather June 2012

When to meet: The meeting time is **5 a.m.** at this time. The meeting time may change throughout the gather, so visitors are encouraged to call our *Wild Horse Gather Info Line* at **(775) 623-1541** for an update on the next day's gather activities, meeting times and location, or to leave a message if you plan to visit the gather. *Note: Gather operations are dependent on the weather and could change with little or no notice.*

Where to meet: Meet BLM personnel at the Winnemucca District Office, located at 5100 E. Winnemucca Blvd., Winnemucca, NV 89445 (Phone: 775-623-1500). There will be a short briefing for the day and introductions. We will then caravan out to the gather site of the day and stay until gather operations are completed. We may not know the exact location of these sites until the day before, so please, be flexible.

Transportation: All visitors must have their own transportation – we cannot take people in government vehicles except in an emergency. The temporary holding corrals/sites will move around to several locations and the roads can get very rough in and around the Jackson Mountains Herd Management Area. Vehicles must have a 4-wheel drive with high clearance. Gas and full services are available in Winnemucca. *Cell phones are also a good idea if you get stranded, though coverage cannot be guaranteed. We will travel together to and from the gather. Head lights must be on and if any vehicle has mechanical problems and/or flat tires, we all stop.*

Driving Directions to Winnemucca, Nevada from Reno and to the Winnemucca District Office: From Reno, NV, follow I-80 east and drive approximately 160 miles. Merge onto W Winnemucca Blvd/I-80-BL E/NV-289 N/US-95 N via EXIT 176 toward Winnemucca Downtown West.

Travel northeast on Winnemucca Blvd. through town about a mile and then turn right on East Winnemucca Blvd. If you hit the entrance to I-80, you've gone too far. Travel about one mile on East Winnemucca Blvd. You'll pass: Maverick gas station on your left; the Forest Service Bldg on your right, and the BLM office is just past the car dealership on the right.

Weather conditions: Lows of about 50 and highs in the high 80s.

What to bring:

- Layered clothes
- Closed-toed sturdy shoes
- Bland-colored clothing (*no wild colors, please*)
- Gloves/hats
- Sunscreen
- Food and water
- Binoculars
- Camera with zoom lens