

Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program Team Assessment Report

May 31, 2022

Off-Range Corral: Mantle Adoption and Training Facility

State: Wyoming

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Assessment Dates: May 24, 2022

Total Number of CAWP Off-Range Corral Standards: 117

Number of Applicable CAWP Standards: 64

Compliance with Applicable CAWP Standards: 57/64 = 89%

General Notes and Comments from the CAWP Team: Assessments of Off-Range Corrals includes the Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program standards for Off-Range Corrals and Transportation as applicable.

Coordination with the Mantle Adoption and Training Facility for the CAWP Team Assessment was excellent, the CAWP Team was well received and provided access to the entire facility. The team was able to observe a wild horse being worked through the chute and training of wild horses in different stages of training. All contract and BLM personnel were current with CAWP training.

Requirements of Permanent Instruction Memorandum (PIM) 2021-002, Wild Horse and Burro Comprehensive Animal Welfare Program (CAWP):

- All state, district, and field offices will continue to comply with the WHB CAWP policy within their jurisdictions at all times. This includes the CAWP Standards for Off-Range Corral Facilities, Transportation, and Adoption/Sale Events.
- All personnel, including contractor and partners involved in the care, handling, and transportation of wild horses and burros at off-range corrals and adoption/sale events are required to complete training annually.

Conditions found to be in non-compliance with the CAWP Standards for Wild Horse and Burro Off-Range Corrals:

Facility Design

Standard

1.II.D The facility must have a sufficient number of pens available to sort WH&Bs according to sex, age, temperament, health status, or physical condition as needed. (major)

Non-Compliance: There were not enough pens available to sort animals by sex and species.

Standard

- 1.II.F** Fences in pens, alleys, and working chute systems must be not less than 6 feet high for horses, 5 feet high for burros, and the bottom rail must not be more than 12 inches from ground level. (major)

Non-Compliance: In the main alley, two gates/panels were less than 6 feet high.

Standard

- 1.II.L** An appropriate squeeze chute maintained in proper working order must be available for safely restraining WH&Bs for necessary procedures at the facility including hoof trimming. (major)

Non-Compliance: There is not a tilt chute that can be used for hoof trimming.

Receiving Procedures

Standard

- 1.III.B.10** WH&Bs should be penned with WH&Bs of like age, sex, and temperament. (minor)

Non-Compliance: Animals in pens were mixed sexes and species

Biosecurity

Standard

- 1.IV.B.3** Pens should be provided to segregate sick, infectious, injured, or weak WH&Bs from other healthy individuals in the facility when possible. (minor)

Non-Compliance: Pens for sick, infectious, injured, or weak animals were being rebuilt and not available for use at the time of the assessment.

Standard

- 1.IV.B.5** Working chute and tub systems should be routinely cleaned and disinfected to reduce the risk of disease transmission, especially after moving contagious WH&Bs through the system. (minor)

Non-Compliance: Working chutes and tubs are not routinely (i.e., on a regular time schedule) cleaned and disinfected.

Preparation Procedures

Standard

- 1.IV.D.8** Hoof trimming must be performed twice per year at minimum or as necessary to maintain hooves in a proper condition. (major)

Non-Compliance: Many of the wild horses had hooves that were not maintained in proper condition and therefore were not current with hoof trimming.

Table 1: Standards and Overall Assessment Rating

CAWP Standards and Policy Requirements	Compliant	Partially Compliant	Non-Compliant	N/A
CAWP Trained BLM Staff	✓			
CAWP Contract Trained Staff	✓			
Facility Personnel	✓			
Facility Design		✓		
Loading and Unloading Facilities	✓			
Receiving Procedures		✓		
Veterinarian	✓			
Biosecurity		✓		
Feed and Water	✓			
Preparation Procedures		✓		
Euthanasia Procedures	✓			
Carcass Disposal	✓			
Willful Acts of Abuse	✓			
General Handling	✓			
Handling Aids	✓			
Care of WHBs During Transport Preparation Procedures				✓
Vehicles				✓
Transport Procedures				✓
<i>Compliant – all the activities were compliant with the standards or policy requirements. Partially compliant – one or more of the activities were non-compliant with the standards or policy requirements. Non-Compliant – all standards were non-compliant with the standards or policy requirements. N/A – not applicable, standards that were not observed during an assessment.</i>				

Final CAWP Assessment Rating: Good. 89% of applicable CAWP standards were met.