

HERD- SAND SPRINGS-EAST (NV0405)

Last Gathered: 9/00

Reported AML

established in- Wild Horses Burros Comments:

FY 05- 2000* FY 05 AML- 257 FY 05 AML- 0

FY 04- 2001 FY 04 AML- 257 FY 04 AML- 0

*indicates discrepancy

Acres p/animal

FY 05 Pop- 295 FY 05 Pop- 0
 FY 04 Pop- 218 FY 04 Pop- 0

1,872 acres p/horse

FY 05 Pop- 295 FY 05 Pop- 0
 + 20% 59 + 20%
 Est. Pop. = 364 Est. Pop. = 0

Reproduction rate-
 35%
 May be inflating
 pop #'s.

Acreage

Herd Areas (HA) Herd Management Areas (HMA) Comments:

FY 05- BLM- 481,220 BLM- 481,220 Increase in acreage by
 FY 04- BLM- 481,072 BLM- 481,072 148 acres.

FY 05- Other- 505 Other- 505 Increase in acreage by
 FY 04- Other- 420 Other- 420 85 acres.

BLM 2006 GATHER SCHEDULE AS OF 3/7/06

Gathered on: 1/06/06 thru 1/30/06 -5 + years since last gathered-
 Part of Monte Cristo/Sand Springs Complex.

Est. Combined Animal Pop- 364 Comments:
 Planned Gather- 354 Planned to leave about 60% of AML.
 Planned Removed- 200 Indicates planned gather includes entire herd.
 Planned to Leave from Gather- 154

Est. Combined Animal Pop- 364 Comments:
 Actual Gather- 247 Unable to determine if gather #'s reflect all or part of herd pop #'s.
 Actual Remove- 227 If 20% rate was applied to pop #'s, herd pop # would be 314, still
 Actually Left from Gather- 20 67 more than was gathered.

Difference between Planned Gather vs Actual Gather = (-107) less than planned.
 Comments:

Difference between Planned Removal vs Actual Removal = (+27) more horses than they planned.
 Comments: If Actual Gather #'s represent total herd pop, 20 horses were left on range, less than 10% of AML.

Remaining population estimates based on above information- Wild Horses- 137 Burros-
 Comments: Unable to determine actual herd pop #'s due to lack of information.

FISCAL IMPACT

Minimum Cost of Round Up Contract*- 20,000.00
 Cost p/day of horses gathered- 284.00
 Cost p/year of horses gathered- 103,564.00
 *This does not include medical or transport expenses.

Additional General Comments:

Possibly inflated pop #'s in FY05. This would make it easier to take more horses & still look "reasonable" while true #'s won't show for a year.

