

## **What to Know Before You Go**

### **Instructions for visitors to the Silver King HMA Wild Horse Gather**

**Where to meet:** Visitors to the gather will meet in the vacant lot on the southwest corner at the intersection of U.S. Highway 93 and State Route 322, in Pioche, Nevada. 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.

**When to meet:** Call our Wild Horse Gather Info Line at (775) 861-6700 for an update on the next day's gather activities, meeting times and location. Note: Gather operations are dependent on the weather and could change with little or no notice.

**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 Silver King Herd Management Area (HMA). Vehicles **MUST HAVE** 4-wheel drive with high clearance. Visitors must have spare tires (we suggest multiple spare tires!). Gas and full services are available in Caliente, Panaca and Pioche, Nevada.

Due to the distances involved within the HMA and the lack of facilities, extra gas cans are highly recommended. 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. Headlights must be on at all times during travel and if any vehicle has mechanical problems and/or flat tires, the caravan will stop.

**Amenities / Lodging:** Caliente and Pioche has ample lodging opportunities.

**Weather conditions:** This is Nevada in November/December, so plan for everything. Dressing in layers is recommended due to highly fluctuating temperatures throughout the day.

**What to bring:**

- Bland, earth toned-colored clothing (no bright colors or loud patterns, please)
- Closed-toed sturdy shoes
- Coat/gloves/hat
- Sunscreen
- Food and plenty of water
- Toilet Paper / Tissue ***\*There are NO bathrooms at the trap site so plan accordingly.***
- Extra Can of Gasoline and Spare Tire (be sure to have proper equipment)

Binoculars and/or Camera with Zoom Lens