

**Nevada Wild Horse and Burro Program
Statewide Program Meeting
Battle Mountain Field Office
Battle Mountain, Nevada**

REVISED DRAFT AGENDA

June 9-13, 2008

Meeting Organizer: Susie Stokke

Target Audience: Assistant FM's
WH&B Specialists
Field Managers or
Associate FM's

<i>Monday, June 9th</i>		
Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
1300	<u>Introductions</u> o Welcome o Decision re: proposed group dinner tonight.	Jerry Smith (DM) or Gene Seidlitz (AFM)
1315	<u>Public Affairs Update/Discussion</u> - Public information requests. - Adoptions and marketing.	Worley/ Emmons, Communications
1430	<u>Program Update(s)</u> o National Program Update: Status – Budget and Program Outlook; Issues, Concerns and Opportunities, including Facility Space/Gather Contractor Availability, Adoption/Sales Program, etc. o 2/28/08 Population Statistics Report o Preliminary findings from GAO Audit? o Population Estimation Research/BLM Policy and Outlook o Fertility Control Research (History, Ongoing, What's Next) o Status of 4710 Handbook o Discussion: Nevada Census and Fertility Control (All) o Questions/Answers	Bolstad/ Wade/ All
1600	<u>Helicopter Flight Requirements</u>	Greg Gall????
1700	Adjourn for Day	All
1800	Dinner out as a group in Battle Mountain????	All Interested
<i>Tuesday, June 10th</i>		
Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
0800	<u>Nevada Program Update(s)</u> o Nevada Program Update/Status Report o FY2008 Proposed Summer Gather Schedule o FY2009 Proposed Gather Schedule o Outyear Gather Planning – discuss possible approaches/identify critical statewide needs, as appropriate. o 2008/2009 Budget and Workload Accomplishment o Questions/Answers o Is there a need for a revised Nevada WHB Strategic Plan?	Stokke/All
0900	<u>Field Office Reports</u> (10 minutes per office) – facilitator will capture any issues/concerns field offices have which need follow-up and/or further discussion during or after statewide meeting.	All

1000	WHBPS/Win Equus - Training - Questions/Answers	Wade/ All
1200	Lunch	All
1300	Continue WHBPS and Win Equus Training	Wade/All
1500	Case Studies – On the Range, Gatherers, etc. - Relevant Laws, Regulations, Policies and Case Law - Population estimation - Interpreting on the ground indicators Gather Planning - Gather Plan EAs, Scoping, Public Involvement - Making Decisions Effective Upon Issuance - Managing and maintaining WHB Interested Party Mailing Lists - Preparing Task Orders - When to consider bait or water trapping as compared to helicopter-assisted gathers Gather Administration - Gather Administration (COR vs. PI) - Jointly Administered Gathers	Stokke/ All
1700	Adjourn for Day	All
Wednesday, June 11th		
Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
0800	Finish up case studies????	All
0900	Herd Management Area Planning - HMAP for the NWHR (Presentation) - Tools/Options – How to Get Started, Desired Outcomes - Discussion: Preparing HMAP Environmental Assessments and Decision Documents/ Questions and Answers	Stokke/ Bertola/All
1000	• Work Groups: Each field office will select an HMA or complex they would like to prepare an HMAP for. Together we will work through defining the existing and desired condition (evaluation), key issues, information/data needs, and a draft range of alternatives for your selected HMA or Complex.	Stokke/ Bertola
1200	Lunch	All
1300	Continue Herd Management Area Planning	All
1700	Adjourn for Day	All
Thursday, June 12th – Be sure to bring a sack lunch and something to drink today.		
Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
0730- 1700	Field Day: Monitoring: possible topics include: - Selecting/establishing key areas - Monitoring Methods (Range condition/trend, utilization, evaluating range and riparian health, etc) - Establishing key areas - Nevada rangeland monitoring handbook - Type of monitoring required/actually being done under the MP program element (Discussion/compare notes) - Adjusting/revising AML - Documenting field observations and monitoring data collection - Assessing health and body condition (Henneke BCS) - Handling escalating issues or potential emergencies - Handling nuisance horses - Other????? - Identify any needed action items	Richardson/ Furtado/ Dragt/ Stokke

<i>Friday, June 13th</i>		
Time	Topic	Presenter(s)
0800	<u>Meeting Wrap-up</u> - Summarize any needed followup actions, make assignments - Review/reach consensus on out-year gather plan scenarios (Scenario 1 – Mtn Current Number on Range; Scenario 2 – Get to High Range AML) - Other????????????? - Meeting review/feedback – suggestions/considerations for next statewide meeting	Stokke/All
1000	<u>Adjourn /Head Home</u> <u>Please Travel Home Safely</u>	All

PREWORK:

- BMFO will have computers available in the conference room. If you want to save your work (i.e. population modeling results or HMAP work, etc), plan to bring a thumb drive, CD or your own laptop computer.
- For the HMAP segment, please bring:
 - o Relevant land use plans or management framework plans;
 - o Relevant FMUDs or other relevant AML decision documents;
 - o Most recent population and habitat information, including utilization, actual use, precipitation, genetics report (if any), etc.

HOTEL/MOTEL RESERVATIONS

Each participant should plan to make their own hotel reservation. Places to stay in Battle Mountain are few, and can fill up quickly. Information follows:

[Super 8 Motel](#)

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