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Dear Reader:

The Bureau of Land Management Lander Field Office is issuing the Decision Record for gathering wild horses in the North Lander Herd Management Areas (HMA) Complex. This Decision selects Alternative 3 which includes conducting a wild horse gather to low end of the Appropriate Management Level (AML), a sex ratio of 50/50, vaccination of approximately 60 breeding age mares with SpayVac®, releasing 30 un-treated control mares and vaccination using PZP-22 on remaining mares to be released. Estimated removal to achieve the low end of the AML range is approximately 580 wild horses including any wild horses outside the HMAs. All comments received during the 30-day public review period for the Environmental Assessment (EA) have been considered.

This Decision Record is available on the internet at:

http://www.blm.gov/wy/st/en/info/NEPA/documents/lfo/N-Lander-gather.html

If you do not have access to the internet and would like a copy of the EA, Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) or Decision Record, please call the Lander Field Office.

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Sincerely,

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