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The Bureau of Land Management's mission...

- To manage the public lands to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of the public lands for the use and enjoyment of present and future generations.



Nevada's Wild Horse & Burro Program

- Manage more than half the nation's wild horses and burros in the 10 Western States (59.4%!!)
- 83 Herd Management Areas
- 77 Herd Areas
- 14.032 million BLM acres
- 1.635 million Private acres
- 12,811 animals (AML).



As of March 2023
in NV there are
approximately:

44,786 Wild Horses
4,482 Wild Burros

Nevada's Wild Horse and Burro Program

- **FY 22. Gather/Removal**
 - **Owyhee Complex**
 - Fall 2021
 - Captured: 934
 - Removed: 531
 - FC Treatment: 162
 - **Fox and Lake Range**
 - Winter 2021
 - Captured: 82
 - Removed: 19
 - FC Treatment: 37
 - **Nevada Wild Horse Range**
 - Winter 2021-2022
 - Captured: 729
 - Removed: 523
 - FC Treatment: 133



Nevada's Wild Horse and Burro Program

- **FY 22. Gather/Removal**

- **Pancake Complex**

- Winter 2022
 - Captured: 2,054
Removed: 2,004
FC Treatment: 18

- **Desatoya**

- Winter 2022
 - Captured: 200
Removed: 154
FC Treatment: 38

- **Buffalo Hills**

- Summer 2022
 - Captured: 380
Removed: 353
FC Treatment: 28



Nevada's Wild Horse and Burro Program

- **FY 22. Gather/Removal**

- **Triple B Complex**

- Summer 2022
 - Captured: 1,897
 - Removed: 1,849
 - FC Treatment: 0

- **Blue Wing Complex**

- Summer 2022
 - Captured: 1,022
 - Removed: 1,008
 - FC Treatment: 0

- **Calico Complex**

- Summer/Fall 2022
 - Captured: 863
 - Removed: 798
 - FC Treatment: 39



FY '22 Gather Totals

- **Nine HMAs/Complexes were gathered in NV**
- **8,161 animals captured**
- **7,239 animals removed from the range**
- **455 mares treated with fertility control vaccines**



FY 2022 Nevada Adoption Totals



- 115 animals adopted within NV events/facilities
- 2,531 animals adopted from NV HMAs and HAs
- 10 Animals transferred to other agencies
- 698 animals offered through online corral, 356 adopted
- US Border Patrol, US Calvary, State Agencies, NYPD, Washoe County Mounted Horse Units

FY '23 Proposed Gathers



- Antelope Complex
 - Summer 2023
 - Capture 3,107, Remove 3,107
- Reveille
 - Summer 2023
 - Capture 129, Remove 76, 27 mares to treat with FC
- Desatoya
 - Fall 2023
 - Capture 80, Remove 3, 40 mares to treat with FC

FY '23 Proposed Gathers



- Calico/Surprise Complexes
 - Fall 2023
 - Capture 1,255, Remove 784, 217 mares to treat with FC
- Nevada Wild Horse Range
 - TBD
 - Capture 350, Remove 138, 106 mares to treat with FC

FY 2023 Nevada Adoption Totals



- 53 animals adopted within NV events/facilities
- 1,122 animals adopted from NV HMAs and HAs
- 8 Animals transferred to other agencies
- 133 animals, offered through online corral, anticipated to add 500 by end of FY
- US Border Patrol, USFWS, USFS, US Calvary, USMC

Census (Population Estimation)



How many wild horses are really out there?



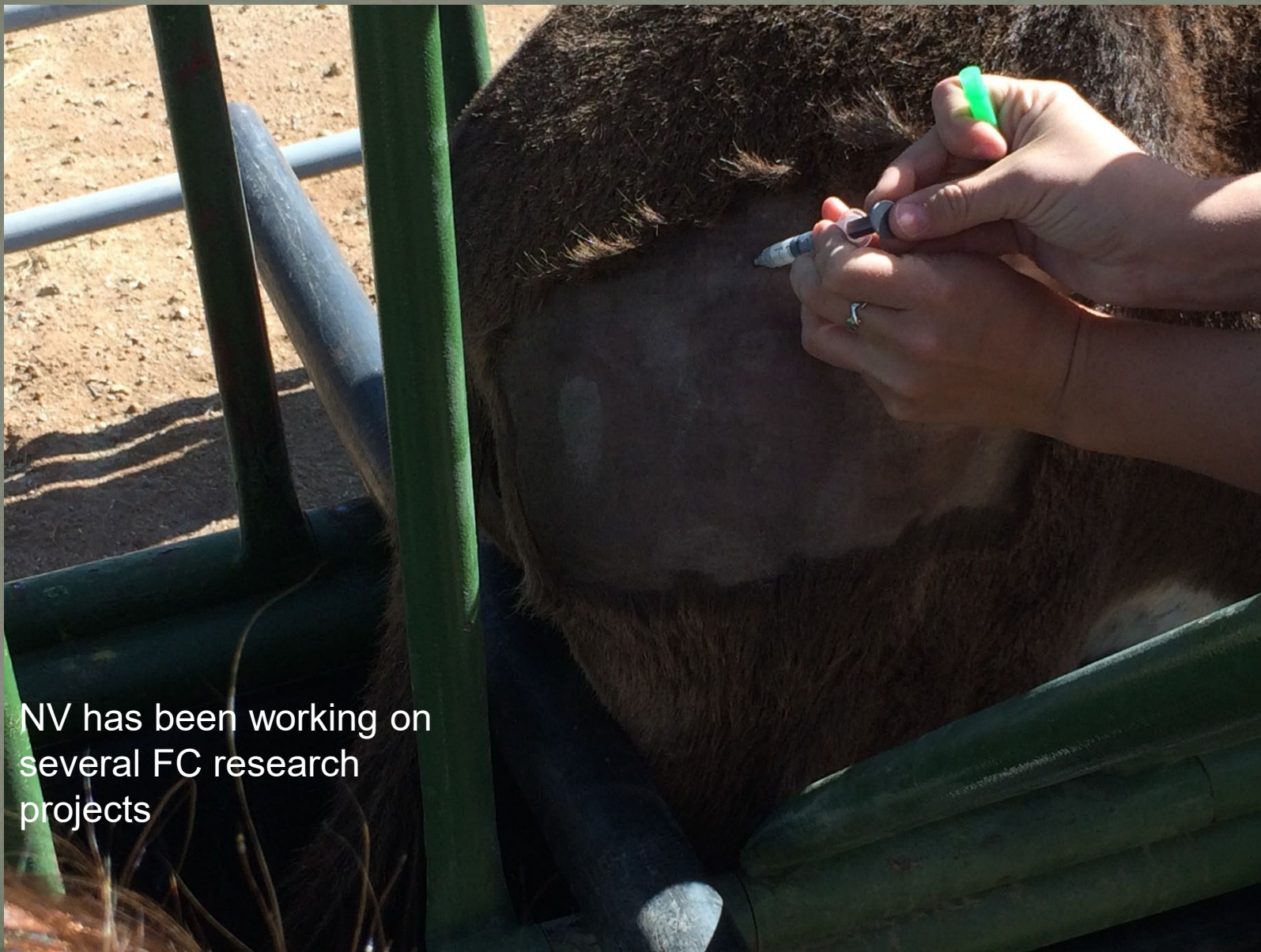
How many horses in this picture?

Rangeland Monitoring



Overgrazing due to wild horses near Las Vegas – no livestock grazing (2007)

Fertility Control Research Continues



NV has been working on several FC research projects

BLM Adoption Preparation and Holding Facility



- Palomino Valley Adoption Center
- Indian Lakes Facility
- Northern Nevada Correctional Center
- Winnemucca Facility



Questions??

