

## **Announcement**

**BLM Boise District Office** 

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## BLM to host adoption event at Boise Off-Range Wild Horse Corral

Wild horse only adoption event open to the public

**BOISE, Idaho**— The BLM Boise District Office will host a wild horse adoption December 13-14 at the <u>Boise Wild Horse Off-Range Corral</u> just off Pleasant Valley Road. There will be approximately 70 wild horses available next weekend.

- Friday, December 13
  10 a.m. 4 p.m., first come, first served adoption
- Saturday, December 14
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As part of the program's efforts to find every wild horse and burro a good home, the BLM offers up to \$1,000 to adopt an untrained animal. This incentive will be offered for every animal in Boise. The Wild Horse and Burro Adoption Incentive Program has played a vital role in supporting our mission to manage healthy herds of wild horses and burros on healthy public rangelands for the past five years. This not only saves taxpayers money, but it helps alleviate the strain on their natural habitats and promote long-term health and prosperity for our wild herds and other wildlife.

Since 1971, around 300,000 wild horses and burros across the country have been placed in loving homes. With some time and patience, adopting a wild horse or burro can be a very rewarding experience. Wild horses and burros are extremely adaptable and can be trained for many uses. They are known for their sure-footedness, strength, intelligence, and endurance.

The BLM staff will approve applications onsite for individuals who demonstrate humane care for the animal and meet the following qualifications:

- Applicants must be at least 18 years old with no record of animal abuse.
- Homes must have a minimum of 400 square feet of corral space per animal, with access to food, water and shelter.
- · Corral fence must meet height requirements:
  - Adult horses 6 feet

- Yearlings 5 feet
- o Burros 4.5 feet

For more information about the Wild Horse and Burro Program or to review adoption requirements, contact the BLM Boise District Office at 208-384-3300 or visit <a href="https://www.blm.gov/programs/wild-horse-and-burro/adoptions-and-sales/adoption-program">https://www.blm.gov/programs/wild-horse-and-burro/adoptions-and-sales/adoption-program</a>.

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