



~Tails & Trails~

MARCH 2011



From the President's Saddlebag

Hi all,

Please read the newsletter and the minutes from February's general meeting. We had a very good turnout and we set a few dates for rides and event. The details will follow as times moves forward.

A chili and cornbread feed after the chainsaw maintenance demo at Bob and Linda Funks. It will be the first of the events. It is Saturday ,March 19th at 300 PM, which is the day of our meeting. That happens at 7:00 PM. We will do the chainsaw clinic and then move to our meeting place for the chili and cornbread. See you there.

The first club ride will be on the Hog Canyon side at Fishtrap on March 26th. The other details will be coming but put that on your calendar.

Let's get involved. We need some trail bosses. If someone wants to lead something for Memorial Weekend, it's an open date. It was good to see Heather Basie at the meeting. We hope to see more of her at our events.

This is your chapter, please step up and be involved in our events. We do have loads of fun.



Boots and Saddles, Spring is coming, Lets Ride ~ Bob

MARCH EVENTS

19th – Saturday

Chainsaw Maintenance Clinic – 3:00 PM

Trail Boss Bob Funk – 208-772-5326

Location: 7376 N 15th St, Dalton Gardens, ID 83815

Direction: 3rd House on the right, north of Wilbur. There's a red barn across the street.

RSVP by Monday 14th to Karen Kimball – 208-772-2434

Regular Meeting – Chili-n-Corn Bread Feed

Socializing 6:30–Meeting 7:00 – Dalton Gardens City Hall

26th – Saturday

Hog Canyon – Fishtrap Ride

Trail Boss Bob Williams – 509-280-7796

Leave I 90 heading W at the Fishtrap exit. We will NOT be meeting at the farmhouse. There will be PBCH signs pointing you to the other trail head. Then we will ride out to the falls. It will be about a 3 hour ride, some mud and rocks but easy trails. We will meet at 10:00 AM. Bring a lunch. There will be a sign up at the March Meeting.

PANHANDLE BACK COUNTRY HORSEMEN FEBRUARY 19, 2011 MINUTES

President Bob Williams called the meeting to order at 7:03 PM

Guests: Heather Basie

Bob said he plans to call members who do not renew to see why and what the club could do to improve things.

January minutes were read, corrected and are now part of the record.

T-SHIRTS and PATCHES - Bob Williams reported that Monogram Plus is moving from their 4th St. location to a shop at their home at 3112 S Progress Rd, in Veradale, WA 99037. They will keep the current phone #. They will charge a one time fee of \$61 for the set up and \$60/hour to convert our large embroidery logo to whatever format we select. Pocket patches are \$8 ea for 1-24 pieces and \$7 ea for 25+. Base price of T-shirts are \$6 ea. For embroidery add an additional \$5. For 3 color silk screening add \$2.75 for a quantity of 1-23, \$2.25 for 24-47 and \$1.95 for 48-70.

BUDGET - Marilyn Rousher went over the revised spreadsheet and let us know how things were figured out and carried over. There was discussion on several line items to add, delete or change. Lea Williams made a motion for Marilyn Rousher to edit the report per the discussions and bring back a clean version at the next meeting, Joyce Bissell 2nd, motion passed.

FUNDRAISE - Karen Kimball has been working with Charity Cook regarding dates. Sept 10th was selected after much discussion. McKinlay Peters will donate the food and handle the lunches. They are securing Farragut Park and the port-a-potties, handling the advertising and providing the insurance. This event will be open to the public. Fees to be discussed. Events will include Trail Obstacles, LNT, Packing Clinic, De-spooking Clinic, Trail Ride, Horse 1st Aid and a Silent Auction. Terry Sverdsten volunteered to do Trailer/Break Inspections. Karen Kimball suggested that we make up gift baskets for the silent auction. We can go to local shops and ask for donations, items can be food, tack, beauty products, anything. Karen will make up a letter for us to give to donors, plus their names will be on the baskets. Marian Crumb said that her 4-H group was the first fundraiser that McKinlay Peters did and their group made \$4500.

EVENTS - Dates and Trail Bosses have been set for the following:

March 19 - Chainsaw Maintenance - Bob Funke,
Chili-n-Corn Bread feed to follow at City Hall

March 26 - Hog Canyon at Fish Trap - Bob Williams

ASAP - Marie Creek Trail Clearing - Les Erickson

April 9 - Tune-Up Clinic - Bob Williams

May 7 - Remount Ride - Jerry & Diane Shriner

June 25 - 4th of July Pass Fun Ride - Joni Lueck

June or July - Selkirk Joint Ride at Canfield - Karen Kimball

July 16 - Red Ives Work Project - Karen Kimball

Jerry Shriner talked to Tracy Gravelle. For the Red Ives work she wants us to do Line Ck and Broken Elbow, we'll get \$500 for that work. If they have the budget they would also like us to put in more corrals there at the rangers camp. Other projects would include us hauling hay into Broken Ck, they will haul us to Needle Pt Rd and we would pack into Broken Ck. In August hauling hay into Mallard-Larkins over Papoose Ck and Upper Ck and pack in crew materials.

CANFIELD TRAIL - Karen Kimball met with a bicyclist regarding the trail. He would like to see signs posted stating Extreme Biking not allowed. He is also putting together a video on what bikers should do when they meet horses. It was suggested to put in a horse gate. Karen will check with Andy Boggs, he already has gate.

Karen Kimball is running for State Vice Chair.

MEMORIAL WEEKEND - We need ideas of what to do. Karen Kimball has e-mailed both Andy Boggs and Tracy Gravelle. Weed spraying at Marie Ck will be earlier this year. There is a bog at Lost Ck, we can't put in a bridge this year, but maybe puncheons. Al Linscott is going to check on the condition of the bog in April/May.

STATE BoD MEETING PROPOSAL - Bob Williams read a proposal from Squaw Butte regarding the fact that the newly created ID Parks & Rec state wide trails web site <http://trails.idaho.gov/#> does not include horsemen in its detailed descriptions of non-motorized trails. The website is composed of information obtained from the Federal National Forest Service, BLM as well as Idaho state agencies and that the Federal agencies are mandated by law to include all user groups. So it has been proposed that the chairman of BCHI write a letter expressing such concerns to the Director and the Chairman of the Board of ID Parks & Rec. We are in agreement.

UPPER LOCHSA LAND EXCHANGE - Bob Williams reported that there's a great article in the *Bugle* Rocky Mountain Elk magazine. According to the article, this land would become FS property and would prevent patch work of public lands, keep out developers and keep land open to the public. Jerry Shriner commented that Western Pacific Timber Country, the developer, was formerly the Plum Creek Timber Co and all of this land has been logged and they want to trade it for treed land that can be split into 40 acre lots.

1099 FOR HORSE BUSINESSES - Bob Williams reported that there is an amendment to repel the new requirement of all horse businesses to send out and file 1099's for anyone they buy \$600 or more for supplies. Additionally, to show you how far CA has come north, WA now has a bill that has been introduced that we would have to supply shelter and bedding for all of our horses. Each horse would have to have so much space. This is part of trend of turning horses from livestock into companion animals.

Karen Kimball has received the Horse Self Defense DVD and asked if members could check it out, which we can. Also the same company produces a DVD on de-spooking your horses to autos, baby carriages, trucks, etc. We may want to pick this one up too.

The Spokane Tack Swap is on March 12th.

Joni Lueck request on behalf of Bea Christopherson and the Nordic Club that PBCH write a letter of support for closing road 614 at 4th of July Pass during the winter. Perry Saathoff stated that it's not in the chapter's charter to do this, but we can as individuals.

Marian Crumb's 4-H group is having a fundraiser. You can win a logging truck of firewood, valued at \$1000 or \$250 in a gas card. Tickets \$5 ea or 5/\$20. Drawing May 22, need not be present.

Char Steinley won the Progressive Pot of \$25, which will roll over to the March meeting. 30 members present. Adorned at 8:53

Karen Kimball presented a slide show of some of our 2010 events.

Respectfully Submitted by Deborah Samovar

Please visit these IMPORTANT LINKS on our website.

Trail Classification System

http://www.backcountryhorse.com/Trail_Classification_Assistance_Program.html

2011 Wilderness Pack Clinic

<http://www.wildernesspackclinic.org/>



► PBCH Events ► [Regular Meeting](#) ► [TRAIL BOSS NEEDED](#) ► [RSVP](#) ► Non-PBCH Events



2011 EVENTS

MARCH

5th – Saturday
BCHI State Director Meeting in Boise

15th -17th – Friday –Sunday
Wild Horse & Burro Adoptions @ Grants Pass, OR

19th – Saturday
Chainsaw Maintenance Clinic 3:00
Trail Boss Bob Funk – 208-772-5326
RSVP Karen Kimball – 208-772-2434

Regular Meeting – Chili-n-Corn Bread Feed
Socializing 6:30–Meeting 7:00–Dalton Gardens City Hall

26th – Saturday
Hog Canyon – Fishtap Ride
Trail Boss Bob Williams – 509-280-7796

APRIL

Inland Empire Mustang Horse Club Ride

9th – Saturday
Tune-Up Clinic
Trail Boss Bob Williams – 509-280-7796
RSVP by Monday, April 4th

Marie Creek Trail Clearing
Trail Boss Les Ericson

16th – Saturday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

Cenex Treasure Hunt

MAY

7th & 8th – Saturday & Sunday
Remount Ride
Jerry & Diane Shriner
Please **RSVP** to 208-667-2949 or jerryshriner@gmail.com

8th – Sunday
Kootenai County Sheriff's Mounted Posse Mother's Day Ride

20th -22nd – Friday –Sunday
Wild Horse & Burro Adoptions @ Klamath Falls, OR

21st – Saturday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

Inland Empire Poker Ride at Fish Trap Lake

Ride The West Horse & Ranch Expo

Memorial Weekend Work Project
Suggestions Needed

JUNE

4th – Saturday
National Trails Day Work Project

11th – Sunday
Wild Horse & Burro Adoptions @ Ellensburg, ID

15th – Wednesday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

JUNE (continued)

25th – Saturday
4th of July Rec. Area Fun Ride
Trail Boss Joni Lueck – 208-659-9066

PRVBCH Annual Poker Ride @ At Pee Wee Creek Trailhead

Gentlemen on Horseback

Selkirk Joint Ride at Canfield
Trail Boss Karen Kimball

JULY

16th–17th – Saturday–Sunday
St Joe Work Project at Red Ives
Trail Boss Karen Kimball – 208-772-2434

BCHI State Director Meeting

PRVBCH Competitive Trail Challenge @ Pee Wee Creek Trailhead

20th – Wednesday – **Regular Meeting**
ANNUAL POT LUCK – 6:30 in the Park

22nd -24th – Friday –Sunday
Wild Horse & Burro Adoptions–Wild Trails Horse Expo, Powell Butte, OR

AUGUST

14th - 20th, Sunday - Saturday
BCHI Sawtooth Wilderness Pack Clinic

17th – Wednesday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

Aug. 26-Sept. 5
Wild Horse & Burro Adoptions @ Oregon State Fair, Salem, OR

SEPTEMBER

10th – Saturday
FUNDRAISER– Open to Public
Farragut State Park
LNT Training • De-Spooking Clinic
Trail Obstacles • Packing Training • Trail Ride

17th – Saturday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

OCTOBER

Steak Ride – Open to Public
15th – Saturday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

NOVEMBER

BCHI State Director Meeting
19th – Saturday – **Regular Meeting**
Socializing 6:30 • Meeting 7:00

DECEMBER

3rd – Saturday
Christmas Party

TUNE-UP CLINIC

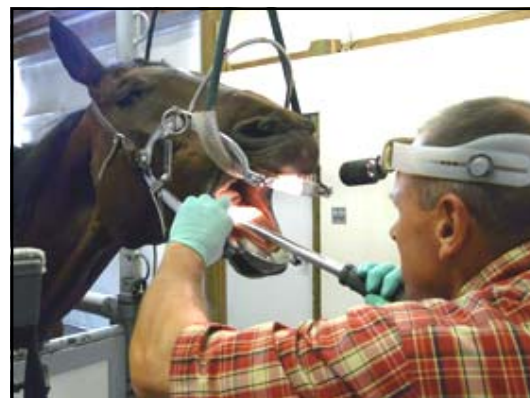
Saturday, April 9th

The time has come to tune up that horse and hit the trails. The tune up clinic for our horses will be on the 9th of April. Bob Williams will be trail bossing this event. Vet services will be provided by McKinlay & Peters Equine Veterinary Service, starting at 8:00 a.m. All horses must be checked in by 10:30 a.m. When you arrive, make sure you sign up with me; horses will be seen in the order that you have signed up. **LOCATION TBA.**

THIS IS A MEMBERS ONLY EVENT

We will have Gina Saathoff's Breakfast Burritos for sell and free coffee. The costs are as follows:

6 month coggins/health certificate = \$40.50 (Brand ID REQUIRED)
 5-way (eastern and western encephalitis, tetanus, influenza and rhino) = \$29
 4-way (eastern and western encephalitis, tetanus, and influenza) = \$ 21
 3-way with WNV (eastern and western encephalitis, tetanus) = \$28
 Intranasal strangles = \$27 • Intranasal Influenza = \$ 21
 Flu / Rhino = \$25 • WNV = \$25 • Tetanus = \$11
 Sheath Cleaning = \$28 (plus sedation if not already sedated)
 Floats with sedation \$175



RSVP by Monday April 4th

There will be a sign-up sheet at the March 19th meeting

Contact Bob Williams at (509) 280-7796 or leawilliams65@yahoo.com.

If you don't RSVP we cannot guarantee you will receive the shots you need.

**WHEN YOU
RSVP
IT MEAN'S THAT YOU'LL BE THERE !!!!!**

FUNDRAISER

September 10th – Farragut State Park – Open to Public

**LNT Training • De-Spooking Clinic • Trail Obstacles • Packing Training • Trail Ride
Trailer/Break Inspections • Horse 1st Aid • Silent Auction**

McKinlay Peters is donating the food, securing Farragut Park and port-a-potties, handling advertising and providing the insurance. We will be manning the various events and parking. Additionally we will make the gift baskets for the silent auction. If you can help out in anyway.... Directing traffic, assist with lunch, getting donations, assisting trainers, making baskets, selling tickets, ANYTHING.....

Please contact Bob Williams @ 509-280-7796 or Karen Kimball @ 208-772-2434.

The more we plan the more we make!

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ALERT: House Budget proposal (H.R. 1) WOULD adversely affect trails

Take the time to read some of the possibilities below on trail funding and budget cuts at the national level and please take the time to send a message to your congressman. Thanks, Rod Parks, BCHI National Director

Hello BCHA, The hikers are getting their acts together. We horsemen need to do it, too. Watch for further information from BCHA. Terry Morrison, Chair, BCHA

TRAILS ARE AT RISK!

If they are important to you, let your Representative know now!

Every individual and organization concerned with trails and bike/ped facilities should tell their members of Congress why funding for these programs is important.

Federal budget cuts will affect trails

This week in Washington, the focus is on the federal budget, the deficit, and proposed cuts to spending on every aspect of national programs. The House of Representatives will vote on legislation (H.R. 1) that would cut current spending by at least \$100 billion below the President's FY 2011 request. Floor debate begins Tuesday.

Here's what we know so far that will affect trail funding:

Land and Water Conservation Fund: The House proposal would reduce funding for trails, parks, and land conservation by 90 percent. Funds that are appropriated to states would be virtually eliminated.

Federal land management budgets: Major cuts are also proposed in the current House budget for a wide variety of construction, maintenance, and supporting programs on federal public lands. This includes trails and recreation areas on National Forests, Bureau of Land Management lands, US Fish & Wildlife Refuges, and the National Parks.

ATTENTION: Devastating attack on trails, walking, and bicycling could happen this week! Though we do not know details yet, we anticipate a congressional amendment that could do away with or hobble transportation-funded programs like the [Recreational Trails Program](#), [Transportation Enhancements](#), (the nation's largest funding source for trails, walking, and bicycling), and [Safe Routes to School](#). There is strength in numbers! Therefore, we are working with many other organizations to defeat such a damaging amendment. No action is needed to protect these three programs at the moment; we just wanted to give you a heads-up that an amendment could be offered in the coming days. You can expect an action alert from us. If it comes, please do not delay in speaking up. If such an amendment is offered, we might have mere hours to respond.

Proposed House budget: Read the details of the House proposed reductions in federal programs for the fiscal year ending Sept. 30, 2011: [Table of FY 2011 Continuing Resolution reductions](#) (pdf 53 kb)

Hearings on Federal Transportation reauthorization: The House Transportation Committee has scheduled a series of field hearings on Federal Transportation reauthorization during February 2011, starting with West Virginia on Feb. 14 and moving on to the West Coast by Feb. 21-23. Plan to attend these sessions and speak up for continuing trails and bike/ped facilities ([Recreational Trails Program](#), [Transportation Enhancements](#), and [Safe Routes to School](#)) in the next reauthorization bill. **Please help spread the word!**

TAKE ACTION!

American Trails and other nationwide organizations have been urging key members of Congress and Administration officials to recognize the importance of funding for trails and related facilities.

There is strength in numbers and we need to present a unified voice for trails, to tell their story, to present their endless benefits, and to make the case for funding them. Join us in contacting your Senators and Representatives to let them know why these programs are vital to your local efforts.

Contact your Representative by visiting this website: <https://writerep.house.gov/writerep/welcome.shtml>

Contact your Senators by visiting this website: http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm

TALKING POINTS

Now more than ever, advocates must convince Congress that money spent on trails, bike/ped facilities, parks, and outdoor recreation is a sound investment in the country's economy. The health of our children, as well as our cities, will depend on expanding transportation choices and preserving trails, open space, parks, and places for recreation.

As our nation looks closely at the increase in childhood obesity, the need for healthier lifestyle choices for everyone, safe routes for active transportation, and urban development, there are major issues to address. Trails, greenways, bikeways, and other routes are a critical part of the solution. Read more about the benefits of trails and find talking points on the [American Trails website...](#)

<http://www.americantrails.org/budget.html>



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AHC WASHINGTON UPDATES

FEBRUARY 3, 2011

1099 Reporting Requirement Amendments Passes

This week the Senate approved an amendment to the FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act that will repeal the recent 1099 paperwork mandate. The amendment was offered by Senator Debbie Stabenow (D-MI).

The 1099 paperwork mandate was a provision of the health care bill passed last year that imposes new tax reporting requirements, on every business in the U.S., including those in the horse industry, beginning in 2012.

There were several attempts to repeal the 1099 requirement last Congress which failed.

The AHC supports repeal of the new 1099 reporting requirement.

Background

The Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act ("Health Care Bill") that was signed into law last year included a provision broadly-expanding 1099 IRS form reporting requirements starting in 2012. Currently the law requires 1099s to be sent to any independent contractor that receives \$600 or more from a business in a year. The new requirement requires 1099s be sent not only to independent contractors but also to any individual or corporation from whom a business purchases a total of \$600 or more in goods or services in any given year. Its stated purpose is to identify unreported taxable income, fraudulent tax deductions, and increase tax compliance.

This new requirement will greatly increase the administrative burden on all businesses, particularly small businesses, including those in the horse industry. For example if a horse farm buys \$600 worth of hay and grain from a particular retailer, or purchases buckets and bridles for a total of \$600 from a tack shop, or an even buys office supplies of \$600 from a supply store over the course of the year, or an individual buys a computer for \$700 from a local store, they are required to issue each business a 1099 form that must be completed and returned to the IRS. This reporting mandate places an added burden on each business involved. The horse businesses would have to collect information and tax identification numbers for every entity they do \$600 worth of business with and mail them forms and the business receiving the forms must complete them.

The Stabenow amendment repeals only the new reporting requirements. Businesses would still have to send 1099s to independent contractors.

Next steps

The Senate must now approve the FAA Air Transportation Modernization and Safety Improvement Act which will then be considered by the House. Repeal of the 1099 provision has broad bipartisan support. But the larger bill may or may not pass both the Senate and the House. Therefore, repeal at this juncture is not assured.

Senator Mike Johanns (R-NE), Senator Max Baucus (D-MT), Congressman Dan Lungren (R-CA), and Congressmen Steve Scalise (R-LA), have each introduced stand alone bills that would also repeal the 1099 provision.

FEBRUARY 3, 2011

House Transportation Committee Hearings on Next Highway Bill

Every several years Congress passes a multi-year national surface transportation bill. This bill funds transportation projects and programs such as the Recreational Trails Program (RTP) which provides money for state and local trail projects.

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The House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure has announced a series of field hearings that will take place in February on the next multi-year national surface transportation bill. The Committee will seek input on priorities for the bill.

Contact your Representative's and Voice your support for the Recreational Trails Program!

Recreational Trails Program

The RTP provides funding directly to the states for recreational trails and trail-related facilities for both non-motorized and motorized recreational trail uses. The RTP will have to be re-authorized in the next national surface transportation program bill if it is to continue.

Since its inception the RTP has provided approximately \$700 million for thousands of state and local trail projects across the country, including many that benefit equestrians. RTP projects consist of construction, maintenance and restoration of trails and trail related facilities as well as the acquisition of easements or property for trails.

Although each state manages its own program, 30% of RTP funds must be spent on non-motorized projects like equestrian trails, 30% on motorized, and 40% percent on multiuse projects.

The RTP is one of the few sources for federal funding of trail projects that are not on federal land. The program is a great resource for equestrians to fund projects in their state and local parks.

The AHC in conjunction with a broad coalition of recreational users has been working to ensure RTP is included in any national highway bill passed by Congress.

The Future is in Your Hands, Take the Reins!

FEBRUARY 17, 2011

Draft Forest Service Planning Rule Released

On February 14th, the Forest Service published a draft planning rule for public comment. The Forest Service planning rule will be used to guide individual forests in setting policies over the next 15 years. The Forest Service planning rule will impact users of the National Forests including equestrians.

Background

The last Forest Service planning rule dates from 1982 and focused primarily on resource management. The National Forest planning rule provides the overarching framework used by individual forests to develop land management plans. The planning rule will impact all aspects of the National Forests including recreation, wildlife and fish, wilderness, grazing rights, and timber, energy, and mineral production.

The recreational community, including the American Horse Council, had urged the Forest Service to make sure recreation was adequately addressed in the new planning rule to reflect the reality that it is a major use of our nation's National Forests.

"We believe this rule will provide for sustainable recreational opportunities recognizing the important role that outdoor recreation plays in the economy of rural America that surrounds these forests," said Secretary of the Department of Agriculture Tom Vilsack in his remarks introducing the draft rule.

There will now be a 90 day comment period that ends May 16, 2011. The Forest Service will review all submitted comments and then issue a final rule. More information on the proposed rule and about submitting comments are available at www.fs.usda.gov/planningrule.

The American Horse Council will be reviewing the proposed rule and its impact on equestrians and submit comments to the Forest Service.

As the national association representing all segments of the horse industry in Washington, D.C., the American Horse Council works daily to represent equine interests and opportunities. Organized in 1969, the AHC promotes and protects the industry by communicating with Congress, federal agencies, the media and the industry on behalf of all horse related interests each and every day.

The AHC is member supported by individuals and organizations representing virtually every facet of the horse world from owners, breeders, veterinarians, farriers, breed registries and horsemen's associations to horse shows, race tracks, rodeos, commercial suppliers and state horse councils.



News and veterinarian-approved articles on equine health care from *The Horse* magazine.

BLM Funding Faces Potential Cut

by: Pat Raia

February 18 2011 Article # 17825

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) would lose \$2 million in funding if an amendment introduced and sponsored by U.S. Representative Dan Burton (Ind.) earlier this week is approved. Burton presented the funding cut as an amendment to an omnibus spending bill, and House members approved the amendment by voice vote Feb. 16.

According to BLM estimates, more than 38,000 wild horses and burros reside on agency-managed rangelands in 10 Western states. Another 40,000 animals culled from ranges during scheduled roundups reside in short- and long-term holding facilities. During fiscal year 2010, the BLM had a budget of \$63.9 million. Of that, \$36.9 million was used to maintain animal holding facilities. The Obama administration has requested the BLM receive \$75.5 million in funding in fiscal 2011.

In presenting the amendment, Burton characterized the agency's gather and holding policies as inhumane, costly, and ineffective at managing wild herds. He said the funding reduction set forth in the amendment represents a protest against those policies.

"It is just a drop in the bucket when you are talking about this overall cost problem we're facing," Burton said. "But it is one that I hope will send a very strong message to the Bureau of Land Management, to treat mustangs in a humane way and to solve this problem in a way that is acceptable to the Congress of the United States and the people of this country."

BLM Spokesman Tom Gorey said the agency had no comment on the amendment.

Equine welfare advocate Jerry Finch, president of Habitat for Horses, a Texas-based equine rescue organization, applauded Burton's initiative.

"I'm glad Dan Burton has the courage to point out another failed policy and the absolute waste of taxpayer's money," said Finch. "There is far more to this than will ever meet the public's eye."

Meanwhile, Karen Sussman, president of the International Society for the Protection of Mustangs and Burros, hopes the funding loss will encourage the BLM to rethink its gather policies.

"I am hopeful that this will slow the BLM down in removals," Sussman said.

But Sarah Ralston, VMD, PhD, Dipl. ACVN, who observed gathers in California and Utah this past summer, does not believe limiting gathers is best for wild horses. Failing to remove animals from ranges affected by weather, drought, and competition for resources put horses at risk, she said.

As a result, Ralston believes reducing BLM funding could ultimately harm wild horse herds, especially if gathers are reduced as a result.

"Cutting the BLM funding will create crises in the wild horse populations, which will ultimately result in their demise, period," Ralston said. "The blockage of roundups this summer resulted in many deaths at Owyhee, Nev. Gathers were blocked until it was too late to save the horses in the drought conditions, and many died on the range. The ones that died in the gathers were due to the fact they were already debilitated."

The spending bill containing the Burton amendment remains under House consideration. If the House passes it, the entire bill will move on to the Senate for consideration.



Readers are cautioned to seek the advice of a qualified veterinarian before proceeding with any diagnosis, treatment, or therapy.

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Nebraska Horse Processing Bill Advances

by: Pat Raia

February 17 2011 Article # 17811

A measure intended to facilitate private sector horse processing plant development in Nebraska was approved by that state Senate's Agriculture Committee on Feb. 15.

The bill, [LB 305](#), would establish a state inspection program for plants that process meat and poultry for human consumption. The program would operate under USDA State Meat and Poultry Inspection (MPI) Program requirements.

MPI programs operate in several states under a cooperative agreement with the USDA's Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS). Under the agreement, participating states must enforce food safety requirements that meet or exceed those contained in the Federal Meat Inspection Act and the Poultry Products Inspection Act. Food products produced under the state inspections may not be distributed across state lines. Meat could be exported if plant operator can develop business ties with foreign markets, or if a foreign company is the developer.

The bill's sponsor State Sen. Tyson Larson said the measure would support existing plants that process grass-fed cattle, bison, elk, and ostrich. The measure would also invite horse processing plant developers to the state, he said.

The bill now moves on to the full Senate for consideration, said a spokesman for committee Chairman Tom Carlson.

Valerie Hinderlider, operator of the Break Heart Ranch horse rescue in Minden, Neb., opposes slaughter plant development in Nebraska.

"It would set a horrible precedent," Hinderlider said.

Elsewhere, HB 1072, a South Dakota measure that would have authorized a state-funded horse processing plant development feasibility study has died in that state's House of Representatives Appropriations Committee.

\$ \$ PROGRESSIVE 50/50 POT \$ \$



Char Steinley
was the **WINNER**
of the February
Progressive Pot of
\$25

Which rolls over to MARCH.

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Spokane County 4-H Tack Swap

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

NEW BUILDINGS:
Spokane Interstate
Fairgrounds AG
Complex A & B

****Shop Early****

Purchase a ticket for \$20 and
shop from 7am-8am
Only 100 tickets will be sold
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Consign items:
Friday, March 11th
noon-8pm

Sale:
Saturday, March 12th
8am-2:30pm

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Laura
208-660-2564.

Pasture/boarding

for 1 horse between CDA and Sandpoint. Room
to ride in the area. \$100 per month supply your
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Sandy Beamer
208-660-4240

WANTED

Roommate with a horse. Private room and
bathroom, share large house. Supply your own hay
for the winter. Between CDA and Sandpoint.
Sandy Beamer
208-660-4240

WANTED

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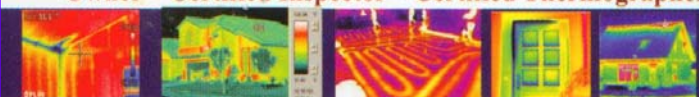


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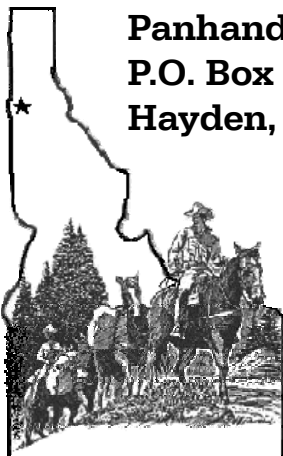
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MARCH

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**Socializing 6:30
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