

CALIFORNIA BURRO HERD STATISTICS

As of February 2006
State Summary Statistics

Actual Burro Herds: 3
Actual Burro AML: 345
Total Habitat Utilized For Burro Use: 1, 030, 714 acres
(BLM HMA Acres: 914, 283 Other HMA Acres: 139, 010)
Total Burro Habitat Eliminated From Use: 3, 102,785 acres
Exclusive Burro Habitat Remaining: 272, 642 acres
Possible Burro Habitat – Herd Area - 295, 911* acres

* Unable to access current WH&B and habitat status for this Herd Area Only acreage.

The National Program Office reports a statewide AML of 453 Burros.
Yet two HMA's, Lee Flat and Piper Mountains, while authorized for burro use with a combined AML of 97 burros, report zero populations, effectively eliminating them for inclusion in both habitat and use. Additionally, a BLM employee states that the National Program Office has yet to update and incorporate decisions that have removed the Waucoba-Hunter Mountains HMA from wild burro use further reducing statewide AML by 11.

California Herd Management Areas For Burro Herds

HMA	HA ACREAGE	HMA ACREAGE	UNAVAILABLE HABITAT	BURRO AML	ACRES P/BURRO
Chemehuevi	409, 193	113, 481	295, 712	108	1, 467
Chocolate-Mule Mts.	595, 856	159, 161	436, 695	121	1, 315
Lee Flat	135, 509	73, 248	135, 509*	15	N/A
Piper Mts.**	104, 334	96, 188	104, 334*	82	N/A
Twin Peaks**	758, 072	758, 072	- 0 -	116	867
Waucoba-Hunter Mts.	470, 239	22, 579	470, 239	11	N/A
	2, 473, 203	1, 222, 729	1, 442, 489	453***	

*Includes transferred acreage: Lee Flat: 47,161 Piper Mts: 7,742 Waucoba-Hunter Mts.: 424, 868

**This is mutual wild horse and burro habitat. Acres p/ burro is calculated using combined WH&B AMLs.

Exclusive viable burro habitat acreage is 295, 221.

***Difference between Nationally reported AML of 453 and actual HMA AML's: 108 Burros.

Herd Areas With No Reported WH&B Populations*

HERD AREA	ORIGINAL TOTAL ACREAGE	ACRES TRANSFERRED	REMAINING ACREAGE
Cima Dome	93, 201	93, 201	NONE
Coyote Canyon	21, 135	- 0 -	21, 135
Granite-Providence Mts.	192,742	186, 481	6, 261
Kramer	14, 024	- 0 -	14, 024
Lava Beds	179, 245	177, 600	1, 645
Morongo	38, 536	- 0 -	38, 536
Sand Springs-Last Chance	240, 580	198, 812	41,768
Shaffer Mts.	36, 868	- 0 -	36, 868
Slate Range**	512, 962	21, 387	491, 575
Tuledad	5, 304	- 0 -	5, 304
Woods-Hackberry	56, 544	56, 544	NONE
	1, 391, 141	734, 025	657, 116

*Unable to access current WH&B and habitat status for some Herd Area Only acreage. Therefore it is unclear as to the extent of available or non-available habitat remaining. Consequently, it was not included in summary statistics.

** The Slate Range comprises 491, 575 acres of the “Herd Area Only” acreage. However, The 2006 National Gather Schedule Final reports an AML of 0 for wild horse and burro use within the Slate Range Herd Area and a current reported population of 66 burros. Therefore, all Slate Range acreage has been included in Habitat Eliminated From Use statistics.

Herd Areas With Reported Burro Populations

HERD AREA	ORIGINAL TOTAL ACREAGE	ACRES TRANSFERRED	REMAINING ACREAGE
Clark Mts.*	233, 370	37, 376	195, 994
Dead Mts.	42, 758	- 0 -	42, 758
Panamint	414, 699	201, 326	213, 373
Piute Mts.	39, 780	- 0 -	39, 780
	730, 607	238, 702	491, 905

*The Clark Mountain Herd Area has established a Zero AML for burro use and cannot be currently included as available burro habitat. All Clark Herd Area acreage has been added to the Habitat Eliminated From Use statistics. Total combined remaining “Herd Area Only” acreage that *may* provide burro habitat: 295, 911 acres.

