

ARIZONA BURRO HERD STATISTICS

As of February 2006 State Summary Statistics

Actual Burro Herds: 6
Actual Burro AML: 1,316
Total Habitat Utilized For Burro Use: 2,020,772 acres*
Total Burro Habitat Eliminated From Use: 1,495,377 acres
Possible Burro Habitat – Herd Area - 38,738 acres

*Due to varying reports and pending proposals, no statistics of are available to distinguish between BLM Acres and Other Acres.

Arizona Herd Management Areas For Burro Herds

There are significant discrepancies being reported for wild burro herds between the National Program Office and the State of Arizona. While both reported statistics are analyzed, Arizona's recent or pending Resource Management Plans* are recognized as the most current data available.

HABITAT STATUS

<u>HMA</u>	<u>NPO</u> <u>HA ACREAGE</u>	<u>HMA</u> <u>ACREAGE*</u>	<u>HABITAT</u> <u>LOSS</u>	<u>.</u>
Alamo	341,044	189,237	-151,807	
Big Sandy	243,905	243,905	- 0 -	
Black Mts.	1,094,309	1,006,781	-87,528	
Cibola-Trigo*	1,027,901	184,800	-843,101	
Havasu	410,313	292,589	-117,724	
Lake Pleasant	103,460	103,460	- 0 -	
Little Harquahala Mts.	65,891	- 0 -	-65,891	
Harquahala	126,254	- 0 -	-126,254	
Painted Rocks	38,738	- 0 -	- 0 -	
Tassi-GoldButte	103,072	- 0 -	-103,072	.
	3,554,887	2,020,772	-1,495,377	

*Current or Pending.

The Little Harquahala Mountains Herd Area and Harquahala Herd Area are currently proposed for no management and will therefore be eliminated from any further future WH&B use. The Little Harquahala HA has not had any reported wild burro populations in several years. The Tassi-Gold Butte Herd Area has been zeroed out for wild burro use for decades but only recently received funding to implement removals.

National Program Office Statistics

HMA	HA ACREAGE	HMA ACREAGE	UNAVAILABLE HABITAT	BURRO AML	ACRES P/BURRO
Alamo	341,044	341,044	- 0 -	200	1,705
Big Sandy	243,905	243,905	- 0 -	139	1,754
Black Mts.	1,094,309	1,006,781	87,528	478	2,106
Cibola-Trigo*	1,027,901	918,938	108,963	165	3,224
Havasu	410,313	386,692	23,621	170	2,274
Lake Pleasant	103,460	103,460	- 0 -	208	497
	3,220,932	3,000,820	220,038	1,360	

*This is mutual wild horse and burro habitat. Acres p/burro is calculated using combined AMLs (WH-120).

State of Arizona Burro Statistics

HMA	HA ACRES	HMA ACRES	RMP ACRES	HABITAT LOSS	AML	RMP AML	ACRES P/BURRO
Alamo*	N/A	277,017	189,237	-87,780	200	160	1,182
Big Sandy	243,905	243,905	N/A	- 0 -	139	139	1,754
Black Mts.	1,094,309	1,006,781	N/A	-87,528	478	478	2,106
Cibola-Trigo*	264,900	264,900	184,800	-80,100	165**	165**	586
Havasu*	N/A	308,521	292,589	-15,932	170	166	1,762
Lake Pleasant	103,460	103,460	N/A	- 0 -	208	208	497
	1,706,574	2,204,584	666,626	271,340	1,360	1,316	

* Resource Management Plans: Yuma Draft Resource Management Plans, Lake Havasu Resource Management Plan and Final Environmental Impact Statement, Aqua Fria National Monument/Bradshaw-Harquahala Draft Resource Management Plan/Draft Environmental Impact Statement. Where no new State statistics were available, the National Program Offices statistics were still utilized.

**This is mutual wild horse and burro habitat. Acres p/burro calculated using combined AMLs (WH-150).

With regards to the Havasu HMA, there is some confusion around the current and proposed AML. According to the Lake Havasu RMP, there are two management areas within the HMA; Havasu-AZ and Havasu-CA. The current proposal states that Havasu-AZ AML is 170 while the Havasu-CA is 150. This equals a combined AML of 320 but the NPO records indicate only an AML of 170 for the entire HMA. According to the RMP, the Havasu-CA AML of 150 will be eliminated through the merging of this portion of the HMA with the CA Chemehuevi HMA, whose current AML is 108. The proposed management action of merging this portion of the Havasu HMA with the CA Chemehuevi will produce a single HMA, Chemehuevi, with an AML 108 versus the 258 being implemented through the individual HMA's before merging.

