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BLM Schedules Public Hearing

A public hearing regarding the use of motorized vehicles in the management of wild horses on the Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range (PMWHR) will be held at the Bighorn Canyon National Recreation Area Visitors Center in Lovell, Wyoming, on Thursday, June 29, 2006, from 7-8 p.m. Only public comments concerning the use of motorized vehicles in PMWHR management efforts will be heard and recorded. This hearing was originally scheduled for Thursday June 8, 2006, but has had to be rescheduled.

A hearing is required by law anytime the BLM plans to gather and transport wild horses using motorized vehicles. The Billings Field Office is proposing to capture and remove up to 24 age-specific wild horses from the PMWHR later this year. The field office released an environmental assessment regarding the proposal in April, and a decision on the proposal should be issued by late June. All removed horses will be available for adoption.

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