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BLM SCHEDULES WILD HORSE ADOPTION IN MINOT

Individuals interested in adopting a wild horse will have an opportunity on July 8, 2006, in Minot, North Dakota. Approximately 40 untrained wild horses from herd management areas in western states will be available for adoption.

The adoption will be held at Northern Livestock Auction and will begin at 10 a.m., central time. Adoption registration starts at 8 a.m. on Saturday, July 8. The horses can also be viewed July 7 from 6-9 p.m. The minimum bid for each animal is \$125. This event will be an oral competitive bid process run as an auction where horses will be adopted to the highest bidder. For more information on how to adopt or to receive an application, contact Linda Gisvold, BLM adoption coordinator, at 701-227-7711.

The Bureau of Land Management administers public lands throughout the West. One of the BLM's responsibilities is to manage and preserve the wild horse and burro as a living symbol of the Old West. The BLM gathers wild horses and burros from the western range in order to maintain an ecological balance between wild horses and burros, native wildlife, and domestic animals grazing on western public lands. The gathered horses are put into the BLM's Adopt-A-Horse or Burro program.

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