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MALHEUR NATIONAL FOREST ANNOUNCES WILD HORSE GATHER POSTPONED

John Day, OR – Due to potential conflict with deer hunters, as well as a nationwide shortage of holding facilities for horses gathered, the Blue Mountain Ranger District has postponed their plans for a wild horse gather in the Murderers Creek Wild Horse Territory in mid-October, announced Brooks Smith, Blue Mountain District Ranger.

“We hope that we will be able to move forward with this gather sometime within the next year,” said Smith.

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