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Mustang Heritage Foundation Supporters Asked to Contact BLM to Protect Future Makeover and TIP Programs

Georgetown, Texas, March 14, 2011 – The Mustang Heritage Foundation is asking supporters, trainers and adopters to contact the Bureau of Land Management in support of the MHF's 2011 schedule and its 4,000 horse adoption plan for 2012. The BLM posted its Strategy Development Document on their website www.blm.gov. Included in the document is the Mustang Heritage Foundation's proposal to adopt 4,000 Mustangs.

The Proposed Strategy was reviewed and discussed at the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Committee March 10-11, 2011, in Phoenix, Arizona. Mustang Heritage Foundation's executive director Patti Colbert addressed the group. She shared success stories from MHF's programs and highlighted what the Foundation would like to do should it receive proper funding. Colbert was joined by Mustang Heritage Foundation's board of trustees president Paula Carr and member John Falen.

Mustang supporters and taxpayers are encouraged to contact the BLM in support of the plan which is estimated to save taxpayers more than \$30 million even after costs for the MHF programs are factored in. More importantly, with full funding for 2011 and 2012, the Foundation hopes to find adoptive homes for almost 5,000 Mustangs that are currently in BLM holding.

The Bureau of Land Management is accepting comments on their Strategy Development Document until March 30, 2011. Comments can be submitted via e-mail to wildhorse@blm.gov. E-mails should have "Comments on Strategy" in the subject line.

"We've always done things in a big way, and the 40,000 estimated Mustangs waiting to be adopted need us to step up to make this plan a success," Colbert said. "We understand that times are tough, but we are unable to operate without proper funding and our programs save taxpayers money. I am asking that every Mustang supporter, trainer and adopter contact the BLM on our behalf to help secure these much needed funds."

Mustang Heritage Foundation programs not only help our American legends find adoptive homes, but they also provide funding to talented Mustang trainers, many of whom live in rural areas hit particularly hard by the U.S. recession. Mustang Heritage Foundation programs infuse much needed funds into these local economies.

Please take the time to send BLM an e-mail today to wildhorse@blm.gov and tell them you support the Mustang Heritage Foundation's 4,000 horse plan. This funding is critical for future Extreme Mustang Makeover events and the Trainer Incentive Program.

About the Mustang Heritage Foundation

The mission of the Mustang Heritage Foundation and the goal of the Extreme Mustang Makeover events and the Trainer Incentive Program are to increase the adoption of Mustangs across the country. The Mustang Heritage Foundation created the Extreme Mustang Makeover events to showcase the recognized value of Mustangs through a national training competition. For more information on the Mustang Heritage Foundation and its programs, visit www.mustangheritagefoundation.org.