

News Release

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The BLM and USFS to three fill vacancies on National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board

WASHINGON, D.C. — The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) and U.S. Forest Service (USFS) are seeking nominations to fill three positions on the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board. The Advisory Board advises the BLM and USFS on the protection and management of wild horses and burros under the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act, as amended.

The National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board is comprised of nine members who represent a range of interests specific to wild horse and burro management. The BLM and USFS are seeking nominations for the positions that represent humane advocacy, livestock management and wildlife management, which will become vacant on October 9, 2022.

Individuals qualify to serve on the Advisory Board based on their education, training, or experience that enables them to give informed and objective advice regarding the interest they represent. Members are selected with the objective of providing representative counsel and advice about public land and resource planning. No person is to be denied an opportunity to serve because of race, age, sex, sexual orientation, religion, or national origin.

Board members typically serve three-year terms and meet 1-4 times annually. Board members serve without salary, though they are reimbursed for approved travel and per diem expenses related to their activities on the Advisory Board.

Interested parties should submit an application packet that demonstrates their experience or knowledge of the area of their expertise and their commitment to collaborate in seeking solutions to resource management issues. Additional instructions can be found in the <u>Federal Register</u> notice published August 12, 2022.

Nominations must be received no later than September 12, 2022.

For more information on the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board, visit the BLM website at <u>BLM.gov/WHB/AdvisoryBoard</u>.

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