

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION

Anza-Borrego Desert State Park
200 Palm Canyon Drive
Borrego Springs, CA 92004



July 5, 1998

Dedicated Sheep Count Volunteers:

Thanks for giving your time and holiday weekend to the 28th Annual Bighorn Sheep Count! It was a job well done. The weather was not exceptionally hot at 104F. Our count is up from last year with good lamb:ewe numbers and good yearling survival. We did have one ewe found freshly killed by a mountain lion near Rattlesnake Spring. Thanks to each of you for your continued hard work and for being so dedicated to the Endangered Peninsular bighorn. The counts are going well because of your help. Great job! Hope to see you next year.

COUNT SITE	EWE	LAMB	YEARLING		no I.D.	RAM	TOTAL
			M	F			
Lower BPC Trail	4	0	0	3		2	9
1st Grove Palm Canyon	0	0	0	0		0	0*
2nd Grove Palm Canyon	7	3	2	3		3	18
3rd Grove Palm Canyon	0	0	0	0		0	0
4th Grove Palm Canyon	0	0	0	0		0	0
Tubb Canyon Guzzler	2	0	2	0	3	6	13
Middle Spring-Tubb Cyn.	3	0	0	0		0	3
Big Spring-Tubb Cyn.	0	0	0	0		0	0*
Upper Hellhole	0	0	0	0		3	3
Lower Hellhole	7	2	2	1		3	15
Riding & Hiking Trail Site	0	0	0	0		0	0*
Flat Cat Canyon, BM "Ted"	4	2	0	0		2	8
Box Cyn.-Lower Willows	6	5	0	1		4	16
Lower Willows-Upper Site	4	3	0	1		2	10
Cougar Canyon (1 day)	0	0	0	0		0	0
S. Fk. Sheep (1 day)	0	0	0	0		0	0
N. Fk. Sheep Canyon	0	0	0	0		0	0
Salvador Canyon	0	0	0	0		0	0
Monkey Hill	0	0	0	0		0	0
Middle Willows	6	3	0	0		4	13
Upper Middle Willows	0	0	0	0		0	0*
Upper Willows	0	0	0	0		0	0
Rattlesnake Spring	2	1	0	0		1	4
Pinyon Ridge/Yaqui Pass	6	3	1	0		2	12
TOTAL	51	22	7	9	3	32	124

RATIOS: RAM:EWE 63:100 LAMB:EWE 43:100 YEARLING:EWE 31:100
COUNT CONDUCTED ON JULY 3rd, 4th, and 5th, 1998

* Sheep were observed at site, but same animals were seen earlier at adjacent count site.

THANKS!

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