Wild horse

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out, but this is just one determiner. You may score very high in other areas of the contract."

The area chosen by the BLM for the site extends as far north as Reading and south to just below Westminster, MD.

Other requirements in a potential facility would be a total of

30,000 square feet to house the animals; with this housing divided into at least five pens. According to Gillas, this requirement does not necessarily mean that the 30,000 must be divided equally. She strongly emphasized to the audience that each contract will be weighed for its individual merits.

When describing the program as

a whole, Altman reported that the BLM has adopted out over 30,000 horses since the Adopt-A-Horse program began in 1973. Adopted animals are located in 47 of the 50 states.

The animals to be housed in the new facility are rounded up from tour states: most of the horses coming from Nevada and Wyoming, and most of the burros from California and Arizona.

About \$3-\$4 a day is spent for

holding an animal at an adoption center. There are 12 such centers west of the Mississippi; and little wonder, considering the greatest percentage of horses are adopted there. California leads the ranking, as of April 1980, with a whopping 4,083. Looking at the Northeast, the statistics prove that a center is needed, but also that the con-

siderable number of adoptions completed already, show an in creasing interest in the program Ohio leads the area with 157 while Pennsylvania sports 54 wild animals. Other figures are: Maine 10; Connecticut, 3; New Hampshire, 4; New Jersey, 7; New York, 30; Rhode Island, 3; and Maryland



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