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Press Release

Plans are in Place to Evacuate Montana Large
Animal Sanctuary Llamas by Deadline.

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The Camelid Rescue Coalition (CRC), comprised of Northeast Llama Rescue, Inc. (NELR), in collaboration with Southeast Llama Rescue, Inc. (SELR), Southwest Llama Rescue, Inc. (SWLR), Llama Association of North America's Llama Lifeline Committee (LANA Lifeline) and several other llama associations, is pleased to announce that the final groups of llamas will leave the Montana Large Animal Sanctuary (MLAS) by the January 31 deadline.

Groups of llamas from MLAS are now recovering at foster facilities in Colorado, Illinois, Indiana, New York, Texas, and Washington State. The remaining groups of male llamas will be transported in the coming days to foster facilities in California, Colorado, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, Oklahoma, Texas and Washington State.

The CRC is extremely grateful to all the individuals, groups, and businesses who have responded to this effort by providing donations, care, transportation, and supplies for these llamas; and to all the volunteers who have tirelessly furthered this effort by letter writing, auctions, working with vendors and transporters, distributing supplies, arranging placements, soliciting donations, and

sharing news. We thank the caring members of other organizations who have also taken groups of llamas from MLAS. We also wish to extend our appreciation for the hard work of the AniMeals volunteers, who sacrificed over a month of their lives to save the MLAS animals. Without them, the happy outcome of this effort may have been sadly different.

Three of the 220 llamas taken into care by our member groups passed away upon or before reaching their destinations, due to their extremely compromised state. Veterinarians have been assessing the llamas and report that many have body scores of 1 or less. Caregivers are following strict protocols for the recovery of these animals, so that the llamas' fragile systems will not be overwhelmed. Donated supplies of feed, coats, halters, minerals, and medical supplies are being distributed to the foster facilities.

More donations of money and supplies are desperately needed to restore these animals to a state of health. To view an updated list of needed supplies, please visit the SELR website at www.southeastllamarescue.org. Quality Llama Products has offered to assist the MLAS llama rescue effort with special promotions and discounts. Orders placed through them will be shipped directly to us. www.llamaproducts.com

We continue to ask that anyone wishing to adopt llamas from this effort to contact our member organizations for details.

Please visit SELR at: www.SoutheastLlamaRescue.org (678 Mill Creek Rd, Luray, VA 22835) to support this effort through your generous donation. SELR is a recognized 501(c)(3) organization.