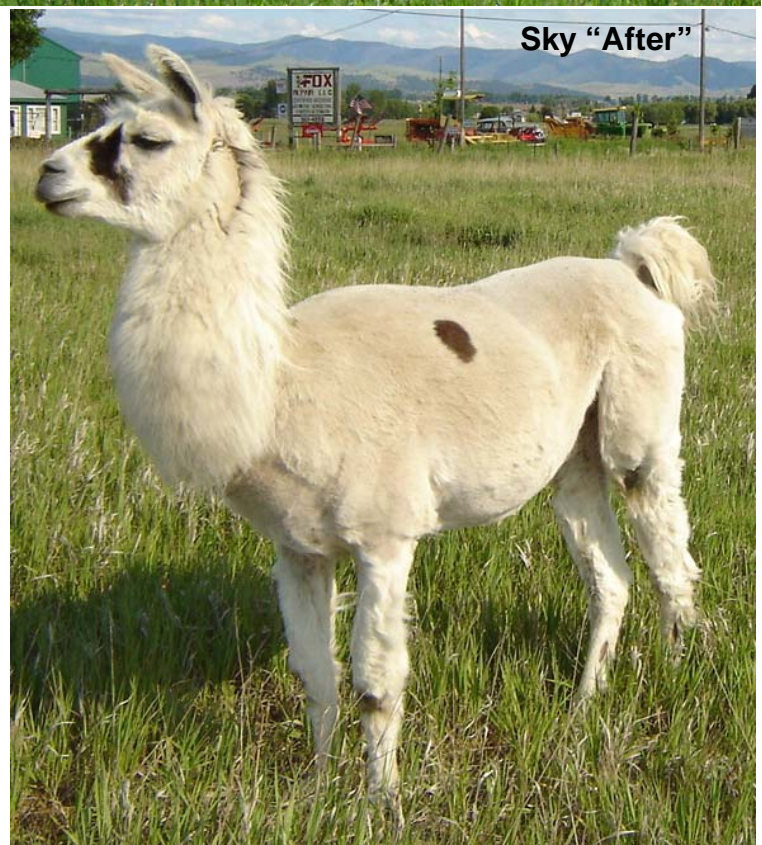


## Feature Bio – “Sky” By Char Hakes

Sky is just one big hunk of love. Unfortunately, we cannot adopt him out because a neck/spinal injury early in his life has rendered him a special-needs llama and a permanent resident of the Sanctuary. We do not know how the injury happened, but the bulge on the right side of his neck is growing slowly and is gradually hindering his mobility. A local veterinarian determined that surgery would be risky and might actually worsen the condition.

Sky was once a “freebie” llama that went to a new owner along with another llama they had purchased from his herd. The owners gave him a wonderful home with lots of love and attention. He was great with kids, letting them mess with him and actually ride on his back. Eventually the owners came to **Safe Haven** and traded Sky for a

younger llama that could be trained to pack. This worked out well for Sky - he has certainly adapted nicely to sanctuary life.



It is becoming more apparent that Sky has good days and bad ones, physically. But he has such a big heart, he always responds to human visitors even on his bad days. When he was feeling spunkier a few years ago, Sky was a wonderful PR llama. He didn't mind children sitting on his back to pose for photos, always the patient gentleman.

Of course, those PR days are over now for Sky. He is a permanent resident enjoying the best quality of life we can give him. Sky is a perfect candidate for a "virtual sponsorship" if anyone felt inclined to help us care for this big, sweet hunk of love!