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Comment Report

**Environmental Assessment
DOI-BLM-UT-W010-2017-0009-EA**

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**Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area
Population Control**

Location: Townships 6-11 South, Ranges 5-9 West, multiple sections, Salt Lake Meridian, Tooele County, Utah.

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In preparing the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area Population Control project environmental assessment (EA) (DOI-BLM-UT-W010-2017-0009-EA), the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) [Salt Lake Field Office (SLFO)] assembled a project mailing list and distributed an interested public letter (mailed) introducing this project and announcing a 30-day public scoping period (10/2/2017-10/31/2017). BLM also offered a 30-day comment period (6/13/2018-7/12/2018) on the EA and unsigned FONSI. This information was provided on the project's webpage on the BLM's NEPA Register¹ and announced through Press Releases/Distribution Lists (Media and Wild Horse Advocates). Public outreach information is contained in the EA at Sections 1.6 through 1.6.3 and 5.4 through 5.4.2.

Using letters, emails, and the NEPA Register, multiple entities submitted approximately 7,885 comments to the SLFO as follows:

- 10 advocacy groups (Equine Welfare Alliance, Wild Horse Freedom Federation, The Cloud Foundation, The American Wild Horse Campaign, The Humane Society of the United States, Friends of Animals, Wild Horse and Burro Fund, Return to Freedom Wild Horse Conservation, Western Watersheds Project, and Utah Association of Counties);
- 7,872 individuals; and
- 3 state/local governments (Beaver County, Iron County, and Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office).

The list of commenters and their assigned number for comment response is contained in Appendix A. Similar comments were generally reviewed collectively. The content of all comments were very similar to those received during the scoping period (refer to the Scoping Report, BLM 2018). BLM specialists submitted two test comments on the NEPA Register at the start and mid cycle of the comment period in order to verify that the system was working properly. Faxes were not received. Most of the individual commenters were US citizens.

The SLFO also received numerous telephone calls and voicemails from the public. These calls/voicemails were received/reviewed for new information but they were not tallied or transcribed. They were not transcribed because BLM could not guarantee that the comment was written down or understood as intended by the individual or that the names were correctly spelled/documented. The content of these calls/voicemails were generally in opposition to any gather activity. They were also asking that a specific horse (popularly known as "Old Man") be kept on the HMA and not be gathered.

The majority of the individuals submitting comments through email (blm_ut_cedarmt_onaqui@blm.gov) or the NEPA Register requested that their personal identifying information be protected. In order to honor these requests, the SLFO has elected to protect the names of *all* individual commenters. The names from advocacy groups and state/local governments are fully disclosed. Multiple submissions followed the format contained in Form Letter 1 and Form Letter 2. Due to the volume, original comments will be made available upon request, according to appropriate protocols, and will not be posted to the project's webpage on the NEPA Register. Personal identifying information of individuals will not be made publicly available and that information has been withheld. Their names are shown as protected.

¹ Project's NEPA Register website location: <https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/projectSummary.do?methodName=renderDefaultProjectSummary&projectId=90785>.

In addition to timely received submissions, approximately 107 emails were received after the comment period closed. Late submissions were not accepted on the NEPA Register system. The late comments generally followed the content from form letters that were timely submitted. There are several instances where individuals submitted comments multiple times using different methods.

Public Comments

All public comments were reviewed by the SLFO. Except for the multiple variations of the form letters or duplications in emails, the content of these comments are transcribed in full or in part in Appendix B.² Comments were reviewed for new information not known to the SLFO or not provided during the scoping period. Appendix B shows the range and detail of comments received. Public comments were reviewed based on the criteria contained in BLM NEPA Handbook (H-1790-1, page 40). Additional information is contained in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018).

Individually submitted comments were sorted for official organizations, form letters (1 and 2), and unique content. Generally, the comments addressed:

- Full opposition to or full support of gathers plus their anger or frustration over how the BLM manages the wild horse program;
- Emotional/spiritual values connected to free roaming wild horses;
- Unpleasant actions related to cruel/inhumane treatment (such as, helicopter roundups, splitting up family groups, use of unapproved vaccines, field sterilization of stallions, and letting nature take its course) and slaughter of wild horses;
- Costs associated with roundups, holding facilities, opportunities for tourism/photography, keeping wild horses on the range, and prioritizing livestock grazing over wildlife and wild horses; and
- BLM's betrayal in not fulfilling its mission or adhering to statutes enacted to protect the wild horse and its multiple use mandate.

Some of the public's questions or concerns remain exactly the same as addressed during the scoping period [refer to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018)]. However, additional discussion was warranted for the following topics:

Sterilization

Based on comments received from the local governments, the BLM is carrying sterilization as a population control method forward for detailed analysis as part of Alternative B to sterilize (neutering or spaying) qualifying stallions and mares (See Appendix I and K in the EA for qualification criteria).

² The comments are reproduced in whole or are summarized if the content is lengthy.

The BLM’s initial rationale for excluding sterilization from among the alternatives was stated in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018). However, BLM is now considering sterilization as part of its long-term management of the herd management area/herd area (HMA/HA). This method could increase options for adequate and pro-active management of the individual wild horses in the HMA. Sterilization is a means of population control and it is consistent with the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971 [at Section 3 (b)(1)] which allows for other options (such as sterilization) to be included among appropriate management practices.

Livestock Grazing, the Wild Horse AML Range, and Vegetation Interaction

The HMA/HA intersects multiple BLM grazing allotments. Privately owned land as well as land controlled by the State of Utah’s School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration (SITLA) are also grazed by livestock in association with a BLM allotment or privately held pastures. These livestock grazing allotments are administered under the BLM regulations at 43 CFR 4100.

The BLM regulations at 43 CFR 4700.0-6(a) direct that wild horses be managed in balance with other uses and the productive capacity of their habitat. To provide that balance, in a previous decision issued in 2003, the BLM reviewed and established the current HMA/HA boundaries and the AML range for this herd. Part of that review included the basing the AML range on available forage and water. Increasing or decreasing the AML from what was established in 2003 is not warranted. This 2003 decision details the numbers necessary to preserve and maintain a thriving natural ecological balance and multiple-use relationship in this HMA. As outlined in the Purpose and Need statement (Section 1.3-1.3.1), the action before BLM is to address the current excess of wild horse and their impacts to the rangeland within this HMA.

When wild horse numbers exceed the high end of the AML, forage imbalances can occur within and adjacent to the HMA. Depletions in rangeland health can contribute to less productive rangeland that supports wildlife habitat and watershed function as well as forage and water for livestock and wild horses. Less productive rangelands, could reduce the local economic sector’s valuable opportunity to gather livestock industry related incomes that are vital to local businesses and the local governments (county and state).

As stated in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018), livestock grazing management on the allotments that are intersected by the HMA will be reviewed during the routine permit renewal process that is resuming again in 2019 (Table 1). This effort will include an assessment of rangeland health and to what extent livestock use might be contributing to any downward trends in rangeland health (43 CFR 4180). Once a determination is made, the BLM must rectify livestock grazing associated problems (43 CFR 4180.1). BLM continues to work with the grazing permittees and SITLA on annual/seasonal basis to determine if changes in grazing use are warranted – such as those associated with drought or wildfires.

Table 1. Allotments that Intersect with the Onaqui HMA.

Allotment Name	Public Acres	State Acres	Private Acres	Type of Livestock	Allotted AUMs	Season of Use
South Skull Valley	108,806	4,581	23,941	Cattle Sheep	4,669 4,522	11/1 – 4/30 11/1 – 4/30
Onaqui Mountain West	21,873	2,474	2,596	Cattle	1,147	5/16 – 10/15

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Onaqui Mountain East	24,210	2,830	8,400	Cattle	1,158	5/16 – 9/30
South Clover	11,980	960	5,560	Cattle Cattle	40 44	11/1 – 12/15 4/16 – 5/15
East Onaqui RCA	10,560	0	210	Cattle Cattle	566 45	11/1 – 4/30 5/1 – 6/15
Hill Spring	2,100	480	200	Cattle	146	5/6 – 9/15
West Lookout Pass	17,470	0	0	Sheep Sheep Sheep	3,090 3,075 2,571	11/1 – 4/15 4/1 – 4/10 4/11 – 5/15
Indian Springs	24,646	3,400	300	Cattle Sheep	1,421 360	11/15 – 4/10 11/15 – 4/10
Government Creek	37,862	3,939	7,422	Cattle	3,912	5/16 – 10/15
Cottonwood West	7,295	640	362	Cattle	243	5/15 – 10/15

Recreation/Tourism/Photography

The HMA also supports recreational activities that provide economic income and opportunities for Tooele and Juab counties. As also stated in the EA at Section 3.3.2, these activities include hunting, camping, off-highway vehicle use, and target shooting. Other uses can include short or long term visits, hiking, biking, wildlife watching, and individuals tracing the history of the region. Residents and visitors to the counties, purchase equipment/supplies that support their chosen activity(ies) as well as purchasing commodities in nearby towns in order to visit the areas within or adjacent to the HMA. These purchases provide income to local vendors. Viewing and photographing wild horses may be primary or secondary uses of the public lands. The BLM has issued five special recreation permits (since 2013) where the primary purpose of visiting the areas within or adjacent to the HMA is to view, photograph and enjoy the wild horses. BLM does not have any data that shows how many visitors/users to the counties or the corresponding public land are strictly viewing/photographing wild horses within the HMA. New or detailed data were not provided in the submissions.

Similar to the livestock and wildlife programs, less productive rangelands, could reduce the local economic sector's valuable opportunity to gather recreation related incomes that are vital to local businesses and the local governments (county and state). While some recreationalists are not trained in ecological or biological processes found on the public lands; they can and do appreciate rangelands that are not in degraded states such as non-functioning riparian areas or depleted watersheds. If a recreationist does not like the conditions of the rangeland; they could decide to recreate elsewhere in the future, which could be an economic loss to local commodity industries.

Refer to the discussions contained in the EA at Section 1.6.2 and Sections 2.2 through and 2.4. Additional analysis has been added to the EA at Section 4.2.3.2. The EA at Section 5.5.3 identifies where changes were made in the EA due to public comments, Cooperating Agency input and BLM interdisciplinary review.

Appendix A, Comment Period Participants

This table assigns a number to each comment submission, identifies the commenter, the type of comment, the method received and if changes were made to the EA. This table crosswalks to Appendix B by the assigned number. (Note FL1 = Form Letter 1 and FL2 = Form Letter 2).

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1725	Utah Association of Counties Maloy, Celeste	Unique	NEPA Register	Yes
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1763	The Cloud Foundation Kathrens, Ginger	Unique	NEPA Register	No
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1766	Protected	Unique	NEPA Register	No
1767	The Humane Society of the United States Lyons, Gillian	Unique	NEPA Register	Yes
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1845	Wild Horse and Burro Fund Downer, Craig	Unique	NEPA Register	No
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1854	Protected	FL1	NEPA Register	No
1855	Protected	Unique	NEPA Register	No

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1904	Protected	FL2	NEPA Register	No
1905	Beaver County Commission Whicker, Keven	Unique	NEPA Register	No
1906	Protected	Unique	NEPA Register	No
1907	Protected	FL2	NEPA Register	No
1908	Form Letter 1 (Multiple Individuals)	FL1	Email	No
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1911	Protected	Unique	Email	No
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1959	Iron County Michael Bleak	Unique	Letter	No
1960	Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office Kathleen Clarke	Unique	Email	Yes
1961	Western Watersheds Project Erik Molvar	Unique	Email	Yes
1962	American Wild Horse Campaign Brieanah Schwartz	Unique	Email	Yes
1962	Protected	Unique	NEPA Register	No
1963	Protected	FL2	NEPA Register	No
1964	Protected	Unique	NEPA Register	No

Appendix B, Comments/Responses/Changes to EA

Number	Comment	Response
1	<p>I have been out to observe the Onaqui herd and question the accuracy on the numbers provided that report there are 450 in the Onaqui herd. My observation, though I am also sure that is not accurate down to the one, was 200 at max 250. I would like to be provided with more confidence that 450 is the actual herd number. I would request to know when the last spot check was taken and the specific location/coordinates it wasn't taken at so that as us the public can relax in knowing it is accurate and how to. At this point, my observations of the herd show much. Lower almost half of the numbers reported and therefore would like to argue against the need to reduce the herd size and/or remove them all together. Additionally, on the allotted 250k acres for the herd I saw no other large wildlife or livestock that would be in competition for resources leading me to believe resources are sufficient and the area compares to other elevation areas as far as vegetation; large amounts of sagebrush. Large amounts of sagebrush is not atypical of this region. If there were not enough grass and other vegetation, which horses naturally eat, they would migrate elsewhere. The horses have not migrated proving there is currently still enough vegetation and does not support the claim that vegetation has significantly changed and the herd number is that large.</p>	<p>BLM's authority and responsibility for managing wild horses is provided for under the provisions of the WHBA and FLPMA. Managing the wild horse program along with other programs such as recreation, wildlife, fire, vegetation, and livestock grazing, remain integral to the BLM's multiple use and sustained yield mandate under the FLPMA. There are a variety of policies that also govern how the BLM implements all aspects of the wild horse program (Section 1.5). BLM is committed to managing for healthy horses on healthy rangelands. Under current appropriations BLM cannot sale without limitations or euthanize healthy horse. This is discussed in detail in appendix F.</p> <p>Specific data or information were not provided by the commenter(s) which could assist the BLM in refining its analysis already in the EA. Challenges to or questioning of statutes, regulations, and policies for BLM programs (including wild horses and livestock grazing) are out of scope of this EA. The annual costs of administering the Bureau-wide wild horse program including off-range facilities, large gathers, federal tax collection, cost effectiveness of program components or individual budget expenditures, and unpleasant actions such as euthanasia or slaughter are also outside the scope of this EA. Profit making allegations against some programs such as livestock grazing or mining or in support of photography or ecotourism are considered out of scope of this EA. [Refer also to the Scoping Report (2018) and Comment Report (2018)]. Generally, statements that are in opposition to or in support of the BLM's wild horse program activities were reviewed but did not warrant a change to the content of the EA (H-1790-1, section 6.9.2.1 substantive comments). BLM looked for information in the comment(s) that could show that the EA content was factually incorrect or incomplete and that could lead to different analysis conclusions and ultimately an informed decision by the BLM.</p> <p>The BLM fully recognizes and appreciates the value and importance people in the USA, and abroad, place in the domestic horse and the value that the wild horse holds in the American spirit. The BLM has been managing this HMA since 1971 and actively monitoring the rangeland resources/water availability, including individual wild horses since 1990. Many actions have taken place over the years to improve the welfare and conformation of the wild horses in this HMA. Current HMA population inventory numbers were collected in November 2017 via helicopter survey (Section 3.3.1, Current Population/Inventory/Modeling). The HMA/HA boundaries and AML range were established by plan amendment in 2003 (Section 1.4). These current numbers far exceed the AML. As set forth in the Purpose and Need Statement (Section 1.3), the BLM must protect rangeland resources and prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of the public lands associated with excess populations of wild horses within the HMA and use of rangeland resources by wild horses outside the HMA boundaries. The BLM's decision to be made is to determine if the removal of wild horses in the HMA utilizing gather (helicopter/trapping) and fertility control measures on wild horses in the HMA, including vaccinations (Porcine zona pellucida (PZP), GonaCon-Equine, and sterilization (spaying and neutering), should be part of long-term management of the herd (including actions that achieve and maintain AML), and under what conditions (protective measures and/or standard operating procedures) such gathers and fertility controls might be approved (Section 1.3.1).</p> <p>The alternatives show what tools are being proposed that would allow for compliance with statutes, regulations, and policy. Some alternatives meet the purpose and need for agency action better than others. The alternatives incorporate various methods/combinations to manage wild horse numbers (such as gathers, no gathers, fertility control/PZP/other treatments, sterilization, trapping, off-range facilities and genetic testing). BLM considered, in detail, three alternatives and considered but eliminated fifteen (15) from detailed analysis. Additional information regarding issues and alternatives considered are contained in the BLM's Scoping Report (2018) and Comment Report (2018). BLM also tiers to and incorporates by reference a number of journal articles, field reports, case law, and previous analysis (Section 1.5 and 6.1 and Appendices C, D, and E).</p> <p>In Section 3.3.1, BLM describes the affected environment for wild horses in this HMA. Included here is recent information about the AML, Current Population/Inventory/Modeling, and Diet/Dietary Overlap with other Species. Appendix D identifies Wild Horse Program Activities After Gather/Trapping Activities (Adoption; Sale with Limitation; Off-Range Pastures; and Euthanasia and Sale Without Limitation). SLFO's Standard Operating Procedures for Population-Level Fertility Control Treatments are detailed in Appendix E.</p>
2	<p>I visited this heard in January and February of 2018. I could see no evidence that they we harming the land, or ruining the topography. Thye were just doing what wild horses do. Grazing, napping and being a family. I support the use of birth control/PZP (not sterilization), and feel</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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	that this is the best course to limit the size of the herds. Obviously, those of us who love the wild horses of the WORLD, are upset to think of them being removed from their homes. We Stand For Wild Horses, and hope that you listen to our voices.	
3	People travel from all over the country to visit this herd. They spend money on lodging, food, gas, rental cars. Why can't Utah see the value in protecting them, rather than destroy them? Isn't it better to be a wild horse advocate state, rather than one known for misuse of these majestic animals? And how much does a roundup, and life in a pen cost....oh ya, tens of thousands. These horses have miles and miles of ground, and wisely use its resources. Cattle, and sheep do not graze as wisely as the horses, and deplete the land. I have watched these horses over the years, and the way they graze. Perhaps BLM should do the same. Why not use PZP? This a viable, inexpensive, proven method. To destroy nature, is to destroy ourselves. what about future generations? Do they not get the privilege of seeing wild horses? I have taken my young nieces to visit this herd, and the joy they experience is beyond what anything else could do. Please, do the right thing, and leave this herd alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and Number 1738. BLM completed a report on the socioeconomic impacts (ESP 2017) and it is included in the administrative record for the EA.
4	Although I'm a resident of California I'm deeply troubled by the proposed Onaqui wild horse round up. I've traveled to Utah twice in the last seven months just to admire and photograph the beloved Onaqui horses, and plan on returning again soon. These amazing and beautiful animals contribute to the beauty of your state. I understand there are additional issues such as the greater sage-grouse, but there must be a better solution rather than round-ups and keeping these horses in holding pens for the remainder of their lives. These type of plans are extremely costly to the American tax payer and unfair to the horses. We know the adoption programs barely make a dent in this ongoing issue. These animals live in family bands and it's harmful to their well-being when separated and held in pens. With over 212k acres can they possibly be relocated and still remain free? There has been much success with PZP and I ask that the BLM consider this option with on-going treatment to the mares. There are a handful of local volunteers that have offered to be part of the darting program as well as conservation groups that offered to help fund this program.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
5	The NEPA Project Summary of the BLM's proposed plan to "control" the population of wild horses from the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area is one word: DISGUTING. This is about cattle ranching and not horses and is maddening. Several scientists have testified to the BLM that the land could support thousands of horses. Why is this being ignored? COLD HARD CASH. This is another example of the government not caring about people or animals or LIVES but rather MONEY. It seems the BLM is in bed with the cattle ranchers in Utah and have been for a very long time. THIS IS DISGUSTING and not right. Funny that there are thousands of cattle and sheep on this land but suddenly there isn't enough resources for 450 horses. You aren't fooling anyone and this is an outrage.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
6	I stand with the 80% of American citizens who do not want the BLM (or any other organization) to roundup our country's wild horses. There are proven, scientific methods of herd management that don't involve such drastic measures. I do not consider sterilization an acceptable alternative either. The majority of the citizens of our country don't want this, please reconsider your proposal.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
7	Over the years, I have spent quite a bit of time in this area and have never seen a sage grouse, nor anywhere that looked like they would want to live. My experience with sage grouse in Wyoming, is they like sage, not grasslands. Also, wild horses don't particularly like sage grass areas and prefer the open grasslands. So if there were grouse out there, they would occupy a totally different area than the horses. Wild horses roam and graze for miles in a day. I have personally watched this, numerous times. Perhaps the BLM should spend a few days out there observing the behavior of the wild horses. Not every foal survives. That I know of, 6 foals died in 2017 for various reasons. One I know for sure was human caused. These wild horses have a value, and a life worth more than anything you can imagine. And what's the cost of a roundup, and keeping them in a pen for years? Oh ya, tens of thousands. Implement PZP, do the right thing. How about if Utah becomes wild horse advocates, rather than wild horse killers.	BLM discusses the greater sage-grouse in the EA at multiple sections (1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6.1, 1.6.2.6, 2.2.1, 2.5, 3.3.6, 3.3.7, 4.2.1.6, 4.2.2.2, 4.2.3.6, and Appendix B). Information is also contained in the Scoping Report. As stated in Sections 1.3 and 3.3.6, the Sheepprocks Mountains support a declining greater sage-grouse population. "The BLM must protect rangeland resources and to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of the public lands associated with excess populations of wild horses within the HMA and use of rangeland resources by wild horses outside the HMA boundaries. BLM is also required to respond to the Sheepprocks greater sage-grouse population decline as established in Information Bulletin (IB) 2017-101 (BLM 2017) by complying with Management Action (MA)-Special Status Species (SSS)-7 and its specific management responses (Appendix I – Adaptive Management, Table 1.1) of the Utah Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment." Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.
8	I don't see a chapter or section reference on the document, so I could not reference them. I am writing to voice my disagreement with the removal of the wild horses from the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area. The horses pose no threat to humans, they are not a burden to humans in that they need to be fed or cared for. They simply exist in a space that they have for thousands of years. To 'remove' them (a nice word for slaughter) is inhumane and wrong. History will show how cruel and unjust we are. Please reconsider your decision and leave the horses where they are.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
9	Please leave these horses alone and implement PZP.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1. Alternative C, the No Action Alternative, analyzes the use of only PZP.
10	This is just a test comment to verify that the system is functional. Submitted by Pamela Schuller.	BLM's procedural test of the program function.
11	Remove the cattle, not the horses. Bad math. Bad trade.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
12	Please reconsider the planned round up of the wild horses. It is inhumane. They deserve to be free and protected.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
13	Please consider the importance of keeping wild horses wild and maintaining a natural equilibrio in the environment to help manage overpopulation.i.e. allowing keystone species such as Mountain Lions to coexist in the area.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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14	I respectfully request that you make public the number of grazing permit livestock AUM's and include that number when considering the conditions within each herd management area.... The Law requires livestock permits be reduced before wild horses are removed..... I would like to know how many cattle and/or sheep graze on these acres. § 4710.5 Closure to livestock grazing. (a) If necessary to provide habitat for wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros from disease, harassment or injury, the authorized officer may close appropriate areas of the public lands to grazing use by all or a particular kind of livestock.	Refer to BLM's responses to Numbers 1 and 36.
15	STOP killing these horses!!! If you need to reduce the herd for whatever reason, SELL them to folks who would care for them!!! Sending them to slaughter is cruel and inhumane!!! They have a right to life just like we do!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
16	Leave these horses alone. This is one of the most beloved herds of wild hoses that there are. Lots of people love to go try to catch a glimpse of them. It's a truly amazing sight. They deserve to be left alone and enjoy being alive and free. They are not causing anyone any problems. Cattle are damaging our public lands and should be removed. 80% of Americans are against horse roundups and slaughter. You work for all of us not for the greedy welfare ranchers.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
17	These wild horses deserve to live their lives out on this land. We don't need the lowest number possible, we just need to stop encroaching!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
18	Please do not round up any of the Onawui herd. They will end up at slaughtering that's tragic. Adoptions offer end at slaughter for profit. These horses are a part of history, icons and truly America. Please don't do this.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
19	Hello, I am hoping that there can be a compromise between the BLM and the Wild Mustangs?? I am hoping that the humans can have respect for them and not see them as \$\$\$\$. Still not sure why these herds cant live in peace and why we can't allow them too? I hope this doesn't go on deaf ears either?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
20	§ 4710.5 Closure to livestock grazing. (a) If necessary to provide habitat for wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros from disease, harassment or injury, the authorized officer may close appropriate areas of the public lands to grazing use by all or a particular kind of livestock. (b) All public lands inhabited by wild horses or burros shall be closed to grazing under permit or lease by domestic horses and burros. (c) Closure may be temporary or permanent. After appropriate public consultation, a Notice of Closure shall be issued to affected and interested parties. Under Federal Code of Regulations, livestock grazing privileges on these HMA'S should be reduced (to ensure thriving healthy herds of wild horses) and the horses managed as a principle component of the public lands ecosystems.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
22	Scoping Notice for the Population Control, Gather, and Research for the Onaqui Mountain Wild Horse Herd Management Area Project. The Onaqui Mountain Wild Horse Herd Management Area is a popular destination for locals and tourists that enjoy observing and photographing the unique wild horses that reside there. According to the Scoping Notice, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to roundup over 70 percent of the wild horses in the Onaqui Mountain Wild Horse Herd Management Area. The Scoping Notice indicates that BLM could begin rounding up these horses in the summer of 2018 and continue rounding up wild horses for multiple years. BLM claims the proposed action is in response to the Utah Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan, emergency stabilization and restoration of lands affected by wildfires, and resource impacts due to over-population of wild horses. BLM also contends that it is collaborating with researchers to establish a study focused on wild horses, greater sage-grouse, and vegetation treatment interaction. The proposed action would significantly diminish the public's ability to observe and enjoy the wild horses in Onaqui Mountain. BLM has not considered the actual impact of wild horses, compared to other activities on the land, and determined whether removal is necessary. Such analysis is necessary before BLM proceeds with any proposed action. The proposed action has no defined time limit. Range conditions, as well as information about the impacts of BLM's proposed action, change from year to year. As indicated by the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burros Act and BLM's implementing regulations and policies, it is important to keep a current inventory of the range and the horses to ensure that management of wild horses is at the minimal feasible level. Thus, BLM should re-evaluate the conditions and its options on an annual basis and limit the scope of the proposal to actions that may be conducted in the upcoming year. Reasonable alternatives include (1) adjusting the appropriate management level, (2) natural population controls without administering fertility controls or removing wild horses; (3) studding the interaction of wild horses and greater sage-grouse without removing horses; (4) reducing or eliminating other uses in the area, such as sheep and cattle grazing, that may be detrimentally impacting the ecosystem; and (5) expanding the Onaqui Wild Horse Herd Management Area to include areas originally designated for wild horse protection when Congress passed the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act. Consideration of these alternatives is necessary to make an informed decision about how to proceed and how to achieve a thriving natural ecological balance in the area. Neither the Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro's Act nor the National Environmental Policy Act authorize BLM to proceed without considering these reasonable alternatives. BLM must consider the impact of proposed action on the genetic viability of the Onaqui Mountain wild horses, and whether its proposed actions are consistent with its obligations to manage wild horses as self-sustaining population of healthy animals. This is critical because BLM proposes to decrease the herd by over 70 percent, to only 121 wild horses. This could jeopardize the viability and health of the herd. According to BLM's own equine geneticist, Dr. Gus Cothran, at least 150-200 horses must remain in a herd to ensure genetic viability. Moreover, past reports of the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management area show that the genetic variability was at a critically low level. Thus, BLM should consider increasing the appropriate management level and area available to wild horses. BLM's EA or EIS must	This comment appears to be regarding the Scoping Period. The commenter is referred to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018). Refer also to BLM's responses to Numbers 1 and 7.

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	include all reasonable alternatives, information and studies about the current condition of the range, and the social, behavioral, and physiological impacts of each alternative on the affected wild horses. This information is critical to making an informed decision, involving the public in the decision-making process, and complying with federal law. Thank you for the opportunity to comment.	
23	PLEASE DON'T ROUND UP AND KILL THE BEAUTIFUL INNOCENT ONOQUI WILD HORSES. THESE HORSES ARE NOT ANY PROBLEM AND HAVE DONE NOTHING TO BE SLAUGHTERED. THESE HORSES HAVE ECERY RIGHT TO LIVE WILD AND FREE FROM HARM OR DEATH FROM HUMANS. PLEASE DON'T KILL THEM....THANK YOU...G.M C.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
24	Regarding the proposed managment options for the Onaqui HMA, please proceed with Alternative Plan B. It may take longer to achieve a reduced herd size, but the terror and trauma of a helicopter round up should be avoided at all costs. The AML is too low for a genetically viable herd, not that its a topic open for discussion, but it is a significant factor in the long-term viability of this herd. Leaving out the impact of grazing livestock in the EA is a testament to the power of the local ranchers and makes it blantly obvious they have the BLM in their pocket. Bait trapping and birth control is the right thing to do. Please don't subject this herd to the helicopter roundup & do the right thing for once.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
25	This concerns the potential roundup of many horses in the Onaqui HMA. I have been out to see these horses several times over the years. It brings revenue to the state. Since I am from MN I travel out there just to see the horses as others I know do also, mainly for photography. To roundup these horses is outrageous and needs to STOP. There are other methods of controlling population such as Pzp. Please leave the horses alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
26	I disagree with the proposed decision to cull the herd. Please don't disrupt nature's course.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
27	Please do NOT remove 3/4 or any of the wonderful horses of the Onaqui horse herd from range. Most Americans take great pride in their wild horses and do not want to see harm come to them and wish them to be free and live in peace. There is great tourist revenue to be had from keeping the herd together and strong as people travel across the country to come marvel at these wonderous animals. In a way they are a symbol of everything good that people associate with America: freedom, strength and beauty. It would be just wrong to harm such a icon. Also horses, like most animals, are sentient beings are it causes them distress to have their families ripped apart, as you can well imagine if you happened to be a horse. The horses have been there and thrived and manage their own numbers and herd naturally for a long time and deserve to be left alone to live in peace.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
28	Please do not round up the horses and remove the from their home. Please manage them humanely on the plains. Thank you!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
29	This is absolutely unconscionable! There is no need for these horses to be rounded up. They are a part of our national heritage and the vested interests who profit from these roundups, often ending in slaughter, should not be influencing decisions like this. Wild horses pose no threat to cattle. It is the greed of vested interests in the livestock industry that profit from contracts and removal that is the heart of this decision. I am thoroughly disappointed and aggrieved that the BLM should allow the livestock industry to determine what decisions it makes regarding OUR wild horses. They belong to all Americans and as an American citrizen I abhor the unnecessary and potentially deadly round up of these horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
30	Please leave our wild horses alone and let nature take it's course. I know nature can be cruel at times, but they are part of our history. It is bad enough a number of our statues are being taken down. I have seen horrible videos ot these WILD horses being rounded up with trucks and helicopters, foals being hurt and separted from mom. How cruel is that? PLEASE recondider this manner asap and let them retain their freedom! I know Mexico and Canada slaughter them daily, SO SAD! The US government can't be making that much money from this round up, it is just more space for the cattle companies to use! I will thank you in advance for taking care of this issue asap!!	BLM considered but eliminated an alternative that would allow nature to take its course. Refer to the Scoping Report. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.
31	THE herd seems to be at a very managable level and I am not sure why trapping at this point is necessary. I personally would vote for the baiting and birth control to cause the least amount of stress on these animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
33	I respectfully ask the BLM to honor the federal 1971 Wild Horse and Burro Protection Act and to actually protect our wonderful wild horses and and burros. These captures are inhumane, unnecessary, and cruel. Ask any wild horse/burro rescue or sanctuary and their research proves the populations are fine, not over-crowded, healthy, under federal protection. Please do not let Zinke or any other greed-driven person or organization tell you otherwise	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
34	While I applaud your decision to help the sage grouse, there is little reason to remove wild horses from this area. Putting out feed for both horses and grouse would be a better decision. Also birth control could be used on the horses. I see only one reason you would want to round-up these horses, and that is to make money. And will you see who buys these horses so they don't go to slaughter?	Providing supplemental feed (hay) or hauling water (other than during a short-term emergency situation) does not meet the definition of minimum feasible management and is inconsistent with current law, regulation and policy. Refer to 43 CFR 4710.4. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.

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36	<p>[1] I oppose the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90 percent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range.</p> <p>[2] The EA is inadequate because it failed to consider a number of critical impacts and alternatives. The final EA must revise the Proposed Action to include managing the population with fertility control, not removals, as recommended by the National Academy of Sciences.</p> <p>[3] The BLM should reduce livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a) and increase the AML for this area to accommodate current wild horse herd numbers. The original Herd Area territory should be restored to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress.</p> <p>[4] Finally, the EA must analyze these impacts:</p> <p>1) BLM’s request to Congress for authorization to kill or slaughter unadopted horses on the animals themselves;</p> <p>2) Mass removal on recreational use of the HMA for wild horse viewing and photographing;</p> <p>3) Costly roundup/removal/holding of horses on taxpayers vs. leaving horses on the range and reducing livestock grazing;</p> <p>4) Reduced ecotourism/wild horse viewing opportunities on the local economy.</p> <p>[5] Thank you for your consideration.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	<p>[1] Statement is in opposition to BLM’s wild horse program activities; including gather and removal of herd numbers. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2] In compliance with the NEPA and the NEPA Handbook, BLM considered in detail three alternatives (Sections 2.2-2.4) and considered but eliminated 15 alternatives (Section 2.5). Additional details are provided in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018).</p> <p>BLM considered but eliminated an alternative that addressed population controls only with fertility control and no removals. Refer to 1. No Gathers or Maintenance Activities within the HMA; 6. Increase PZP Treatments; and 14. Use of Alternative Capture Techniques Instead of Helicopter Capture (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[3] Refer to 5. Reductions/Closures in Livestock Grazing (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[4]</p> <p>1) BLM policies including its position regarding slaughter are maintained online. Refer to the Scoping Report at A. Issues. 1. Policy/Funding/Education.</p> <p>2) Recreation, including photography are discussed in the EA at Sections 3.2.2, 4.2.1.2, 4.2.2.2, 4.2.3.2, and Appendix B.</p> <p>3) BLM policies including costs of off-range facilities are maintained online. Refer to the Scoping Report at A. Issues. 1. Policy/Funding/Education.</p> <p>4) The HMA would remain open to public viewing of wild horses regardless of the alternative selected. EA at Appendix B (recreation use and socio/economic). Frequently used areas for viewing would still be available and utilized by the public. Viewing could be reduced over the short-term within the Emergency Stabilization and Rehabilitation area but, will return once the vegetation has recovered and the temporary fence has been removed.</p> <p>[5] BLM appreciates the time the individuals took to review the unsigned FONSI and the EA (including the Scoping Report) and to prepare and submit their comments.</p> <p>Refer also to BLM's response to Numbers 1 and 7.</p>
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40	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
41	Cattle grazing rights have not been ratified into law by congress. Wild horses and burros are federally protected. What you are doing is illegal, morally offensive, ethically shameful. We insist that practices providing welfare assistance to ranchers in the way of grazing almost for free on OUR PUBLIC LAND be stopped. Animals living on this land have every right to be there. Cattle and ranchers do not. There are numerous ranchers in the willamette valley who make it just fine without welfare handouts. Further any one making over \$500,000.00 should not qualify for this welfare grazing assistance. The time has come for BLM to actually manage the land not give it away to be destroyed. Cattle are the biggest contributors of methane a gas far worse than CO2. They are not a sustainable food source and the ranchers who use the grazing welfare permits, do not contribute significantly to jobs, economy (except their own), or food supplies. This is repulsive and our country cannot continue to support this type of subsidy.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
42	Please do not remove the herd from this area, The size of the herd cn be limited by castration the stallions two years in a row. That is the cheapest, most effective way. These iconic animals are part of our heritage and they were here before you were here!!!!	Sterilization was added to the Proposed Action. Refer also the BLM's Response to Number 1.
43	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
44	Please leave all of the horses and burrows alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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63	The land you want to take over is the peoples land all you are suppose to do is manage it . Time and time again our Governemnt shows us that we the people, who you are suppose to represent have no say so and the more vunerable you are, meaning you dont vote ,the less say so you have. These animals dont vote so they are expendable!!!! Again you show your greed and you show how power hungry you are. These animals are beautiful majestic animals who have been on this land longer than you have been in Government . You conservatives better show some compassion, we are on the verge of exstinction so you may want to show liberals you have a heart and are ot just motivated by greed!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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73	Please do everything in your power to protect these iconic legends of the West.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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81	Protect the Onaqui Herd!! They are Americas Responsibility!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
82	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
83	Keep these horses with their families and do not remove them from lands they have been on for centuries. They are America’s treasures. These horses must remain free and not hurt!! Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
84	Removing these wild animals will destroy family units and endanger the horses. They are very wise and intelligent. Sensitive creatures as these deserve fair and humane treatment. I urge you to leave these wild animals as they are-wild and free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
85	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
87	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
88	As a former Mustang owner, I oppose the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90 percent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range. This is cruel and inhumane and unnecessary!!!!!!!!!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
89	I am against any removal of wild horses from any place in Utah or any state. Please reconsider your plans.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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95	I cannot believe I have to ask this, but please protect rather than remove these horses. There are viable and humane ways to manage their populations rather than what you are proposing. Please keep them on our public lands rather than giving into the profiteering elimination of them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
96	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
97	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
98	I am appalled that our country has sunken to such a moral low road. Abject cruelty and destruction of our heritage is not excusable because some disgusting, despicable monsters are greedy. Not acceptable and makes it embarrassing to be Americans.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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99	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
100	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
101	Stop lying to the public. Stop using our tax dollars to further your corrupt agendas that harm our wild equines and take away and damage our heritage. Stop capturing, removing, selling and incarcerating them. Stop harming and sterilizing them. Stop the gruesome, painful experiments and operations on them. Stop sending them to slaughter or to other countries. Stop killing them. Stop separating families, especially the imature members. There is no overpopulation of wild equines. Stop cashing in on them and disposing of them. Stop giving ranchers and big business access to our public lands. Give the public a say in what happens to our wild equines. Do your jobs and protect our Wild equines from any harm. Remove yourselves from our public agency if you've had any part in harming our equines. Let our voices be heard and do as we say. Set our wild equines free, with more and better quality land to call their forever homes; where they can live in peace and happiness, as originally mandated. Give them their protections. Stop amending the Free Roaming Wild Horse and Burros Act of '71 in ways that harms them. You have corrupted this Act and the BLM. We want you all replaced with honest, kind people. We want the advisory board permanently dismantled. It is simply a tool for corrupt representation.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
102	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
103	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
104	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
105	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
106	I cannot believe that once again I am asking you to save animals that have defined our western landscape since long before those of European descent landed on our shores!!! Please stop this senseless and inhumane treatment of the Utah mustangs. Please leave the herd intact, free to roam as they have for centuries.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
107	STOP THIS	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
108	Please save these beautiful creatures. They deserve to run free as they were intended.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
109	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
110	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
111	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
112	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
113	Please stop the round ups ,how cruel .Why is it you want to kill all our wildlife .Not help in anyway but kill them off. Where is the money going. How would you like it . Leave our wildlife alone not yours to sell or kill .Please stop or Karma may just have it's way with you	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
114	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
115	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
117	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
118	killing off all our wild life is not the way. Every thing on this planet is here for a reason man seems to be destroying the planet instead of finding solutions. It seems to me we have to many humans.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
119	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
120	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
121	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
122	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
123	Please don't put them in holding pens. The cost to board them is unsustainable. There is enough room for them in the West Desert to be left alone. I could adopt a mare and foal. Offer her to me and leave the others alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
124	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
125	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
126	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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130	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
131	Please stop this barbaric practice from taking them away from their home. They do no harm and 80% of the American people want this to stop. You are cruel and personally this department needs to be disbanded. You only do harm to animals and it's time to STOP	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
133	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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136	Uphold the “Wild and free-roaming horses and burros act of 1971” and leave theses horses alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
137	As an American and horse lover, I am truly shocked how the wild horses in our great nation have been treated. Actually the domesticated horses are often treated poorly also. But as a whole, I am so dismayed that humans can be so cruel and heartless. I believe that the wild horses all over the West deserve a place to live out their lives unharmed and bothered by humans. I, as a tax payer would much prefer wild horses to be on my public lands than ranchers putting their cattle or sheep. So if we gave the wild horses some suitable lands-with grass to eat, and water to drink-they would do just fine. Let us NOT round up any more annals and put in "holding" pens. Some can be adopted, and I believe some smart veterinarians can provide birth control for these hers that prosper. PLEASE protect these animals with respect and dignity. Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
138	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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146	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
148	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
149	I am disgusted that the wild horses a symbol of the American west should be rounded up and sent to slaughter they will be killed by poor policy and the BLM needs to rethink these round ups.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
150	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
151	It is so sad to see one of the finest herds of wild horses being treated like dust. When will we wake up to the joy of knowing and seeing these wild horses in their homeland. The horses are a gift from originally the Spanish then the Native Americans. If Cheif Joseph was alive today he would be crying. Wake up do not separate moms from their foals. Wake up and leave these horses where they are . Americans pay for their upkeep and love them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
152	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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157	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
159	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
160	Please see the attached letter of opposition. [Same or variation of Number 36.]	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
161	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
162	Please ,reconsider your decision to remove wild horses from the Onaqui herd. There is no logical reason to do this and removing so many horses will decimate a herd. Herd populations can be managed through contraceptive programs and as an American citizen, I oppose the violent round ups that result in injured and dead horses. We do not need to take these small herds off the land and put them in holding pens which costs taxpayer dollars. If necessary , I would favor, reducing the amount of livestock grazing on the land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
163	Please leave Old Man stallion and his herd stay! He is at a grand old age and knows nothing else except to be wild and free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
164	Please leave these wild horses. They are an enduring sign of independance. When they are gone, you have destroyed something beautiful forever.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
165	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
166	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
167	I oppose the Onaqui horse removal. Where will you put them? Why don't they have the same rights as the cattle? Please leave them alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
168	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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178	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
179	Please give these animals the utmost respect. They are a magnificent animal and if you are deciding their future without seeing them in the wild, you're probably not doing them justice.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
180	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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183	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
184	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
185	this is cruelty!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
187	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
188	LET THE HORSES BE FREE WHERE THEY ARE.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
190	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
191	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
192	To destroy these horses is insane. To offer them at auction makes more sense. You have got to stop this atrocious action of kiling living beings!! Donate them, auction them, but stop, stop, stop killing needlessly!! These are part of our American Heritage!! Don't you have any conscience?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
193	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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195	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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197	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
198	The BLM needs to leave these horses where they now live. It is cruel and irresponsible to move them and kill any of them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
199	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
202	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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206	<p>Please accept the following comments and concerns in regard to the Public Scoping Notice relating to Population Control, Gather, and Research for the Onaqui Mountain Wild Horse Herd Management Area Project:</p> <p>I recommend that the BLM not remove any horses from the Onaqui range, and instead increases the number of contraception doses to control herd growth.</p> <p>We are very concerned about removing any horses from any range right now due to the uncertainty of whether Congress will approve "euthanasia" as a solution to the approximately 45,000 horses that have already been removed from the range. We do not want to add to this number.</p> <p>I ask that the BLM reevaluate the established Appropriate Management Level (AML), which is currently 121 to 210 horses. We feel that the range provides enough feed and water to increase the AML.</p> <p>We believe that a large reduction in herd size, particularly considering that the herd is spread out in segregated groups, would put the horses at risk of inbreeding, which may cause genetic problems.</p> <p>I think that this herd is very important to the American public. It provides incredible value to the many tourists, photographers and observers who enjoy seeing this herd in its natural environment. It also provides enjoyment to the thousands of people who follow it through numerous online sources where pictures of the herd are posted. Further, this herd is increasingly driving dollars to the local community (Tooele County, Utah) as tourists travel to visit the horses.</p> <p>I believe that any impacts to sage grouse habitat, wildfire restoration areas and resource impacts can be successfully mitigated/managed without removing 72% of the herd.</p> <p>I strongly suggest if a removal occurs that: vastly fewer than 325 horses are removed, bait and water traps are used in place of helicopters, emphasis be placed on those horses that inhabit areas of the range that impact sage grouse habitat, emphasis be placed on removing horses only from areas where the public is not as likely to find and see wild horses, younger and more adoptable horses (sub 5 years old) are removed while leaving older horses on the range, that the BLM works with local advocates to place the horses in good adoptive homes, and horses are only removed from the range at a rate at which adoption can keep up</p>	<p>This comment appears to be regarding the Scoping Period. The commenter is referred to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018). Refer also to BLM's responses to Numbers 1 and 22.</p>
207	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
209	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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211	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
212	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
213	I oppose the BLM's management plan for these horses. Removing some (379) of these horses is inhumane instead of birth control is not acceptable according to our federal use of lands in Minnesota. I have a federal easement to get to my home and must adhere to many restrictions only giving me access on controlled road. I also had an environmental review on this easement. I am not complaining and appreciate the concern to keep the forest healthy. So I would expect the same restrictions and concerns regarding other federal lands, protecting and preserving the wildlife and not selling out to ranchers.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
216	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
217	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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219	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
220	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
221	Rounding up ANY of the onaqui herd is a ill-planned idea. Simply leave the wild horses alone. They don't bother anyone, and their populations will self-regulate. Americans LOVE to see wild horses. The opportunities for eco-tourism are huge. Additionally, wild horses should not be displaced to make room for "free range" cattle. Cattle don't belong in the wilderness.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
222	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
223	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
224	it has been way over 60 minutes?????	Response is not warranted.
225	Keep the Onaqui herd intact. Use PZP birth control. Stop the helicopter roundups,that are costly and extremely traumatic. The public overwhelmingly supports humane management of wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
226	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
227	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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232	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
233	The proposed action should include management with ferility control, not removals. This is something that is recommended by the National Academy of Sciences. The BLM should reduce livestock grazing and increase the area to allow more wild horse herd numbers and as per the original acreage of 507,681 as designated by Congress. Just in looking at the cost - why would it not make more sense to leave horses on the range and find a reasonable and safe fertility fix than to round them up, remove them, relocate them and continue to feed them and care for them all on the tax payers dime.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
235	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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246	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
247	Please allow these wild horses to remain in the wilds where they belong. Why do you feel you have to separate them from each other? It is not necessary to put these horses in Jail. they deserve to live the life they were born into. Please, please allow them to stay free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
248	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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254	Please reconsider the removal. I have personally witnessed a gather; a disturbing process to watch. These are our horses and should be treated and managed responsibly. I oppose this action. The entire BLM management needs to be scrutinized, as the horses are paying the price, for governmental and human ignorance. This issue needs to be put on a ballot and private citizens (who cannot profit) should be part of the process. Wake up! Government approval is @ an all time low; this decision will send our opinions to the basement. This is an inhuman and rather stupid answer to a complex and ethical situation. I'm 100 percent opposed to this.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
255	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
256	Please do not remove these horses from their home in Utah. The EA does not provide sufficient data to allow the removal and probable deaths of these animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
257	Please do not remove these horses from their grazing home near SLC. The EA does not provide adequate data to support their removal and probable deaths.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
258	From past evidence, your department doesn't show an iota of compassion for the horses and burros. So although I doubt public outcry will sway you in he least, I whole heartedly implore you to look not at the ranchers and their cattle, but into your heart to see that you'd be not only destroying history, but breaking up families. Horses will get hurt, emotionally and physically. Think of hat before your wallets.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
260	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
261	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
262	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
263	Feral horses compete with native wildlife and add to the cumulative damage of all livestock grazing on arid lands. Please continue with your planned round-up, "gather".	Additional information related to livestock grazing is provided in the Scoping Report (2018). Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.
264	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
265	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
266	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
268	It's horrible what you want to do with the horses in Utah.....please don't do it!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
269	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
270	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
271	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
272	Irresponsible. in humane. What are you doing ? for Gods Sake stop this.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
273	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
274	I oppose any attempts to remove wild horses from open range and public land. I support reduction of cattle numbers on open range and public land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
275	Why is it always the wild animals that are sacrificed and removed? These magnificent animals are an integral part of the ecosystem and environment in Utah, not to mention being a significant symbol of the western United States. PLEASE find a better way to manage the herd other than removing them also from their native lands. Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
276	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
277	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
278	I respectfully ask that the BLM does not remove any of the Onaqui wild horses . There is plenty of room for these wild horses to roam and survive. Once again, the problem is not the wild horses, it's the cattle and or sheep. Leave them alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
279	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
280	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
281	I am extremely disappointed in your Bureau´s management of the wild horse herds of America. To we taxpayers, it seems that the Bureau is biased towards ranchers who wish to graze their livestock on Public Lands. These lands belong to all Americans, the majority of whom wish to preserve the wild herds on OUR public lands. It is also disgraceful repeat disgraceful the helicopter round ups and corralling of these horses then in holding pens for indefinite periods of time.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
282	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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286	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
288	My heart goes out to these beautiful creatures. As a child I loved looking at and riding horses and am still a horse enthusiast. Please do not let their legacy be mared by this cruel and inhumane treatment! I can not even stand to think of it let alone have itbe realized. Stop all of this crazy planned cruelty. How can you even consider such a thing! How can you?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
289	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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294	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
295	im not visiting your state because of the horses.....	Response is not warranted.
296	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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307	I am writing to ask the BLM not to round up the wild horses of Onaqui. These horses are treasured reminders of their communities. They are beautiful, majestic creatures that deserve their freedom. I have seen many wild horse advocates propose alternatives to round up and it would do the BLM to support those proposals. We the citizens want our horses to stay wild and free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
308	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
309	Please do not harm these beautiful animals. We are ruining wildlife and our planet. The cruelty of destroyoying /killing/maming these beautiful beings is absolutely vicious and shows to what level this country has sunk and continues to sink.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
310	PLEASE SAVE THE HORSES IN UTAH!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
311	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
312	I oppose removal of and separation of these magnificent animals. Please find another humane and sane solution and use if out taxpayer dollars!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
313	I oppose removing of the wild horses and mustangs.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
314	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
315	I oppose the round up of the Onaqui herd!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
316	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
317	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
318	Wild horses should be honored and protected. It is not the job of the BLM to protect corporate profits instead of the horses that should be their mission.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
319	Along with many other wild horse advocates and activists, I urge you to reverse your plans to round up and remove members of the Onaqui Herd in Utah. The time for this type of short-sighted and unpopular 'management' has passed. We are in a new era of enlightened management which includes working with local advocacy groups to preserve and protect our wild horses and burros, using safe and proven PZP fertility control to maintain herds at a reasonable level. Costly, inefficient, and brutal 'management' practices including roundups and detention of these animals will no longer be tolerated by an increasingly activist public.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
320	This Fourth of July, let's remember that the horses deserve freedom to roam and stay with their families just as much (if not more) than there would be captors.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
322	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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328	These wild hores should be left alone and not removed. There are too few of them, not too many. This removal will jeopardize their long term viability and remove a very important lender of balance to this ecosystem, as well as a preventer of catastrophic wildfires.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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329	You people of the BLM have no legal right to do anything with the Onaqui wild horses. These horses belong to the American people and are to be protected not cruelly removed, corralled, and auctioned off, sent to slaughter, or left to die in overcrowded pens. This is a travesty and must be stopped immediately. These horses do not need to rounded up so ranchers can graze their cattle on public lands for next to nothing, while our (Americans') wild horses are being forcibly removed from lands that belong to Americans and not private people. The land and the horses belong to the American people!! I demand along with millions of others that you immediately cease and desist this unconscionable destruction of America's wild horse population.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
330	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
331	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
332	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
333	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
334	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
335	These Horses are part of America's Heritage help their survival keep BLM away from them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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342	Protect this herd now and for generations to come.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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360	Why is it that people in power seem to think they can do anything? The treatment of these magnificent creatures who deserve nothing but our respect is abominable. Better ways of dealing with this issue are available even though they may take a more thoughtful approach. Do not crucify these precious animals in order to make room for cows.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
361	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
362	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
363	Help save them, don't remove them. They are beautiful animals that should be cared for and cherished.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
364	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
365	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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367	There are already 40 thousand horses in holding facilities and that is enough. Please don't take these horses from their home and their families to put them in a holding facility where they are separated from their famalies. These holding facilities are a bad place for the horses and the horses are forever to just be held and not be able to run free. It is a really tragic life for them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
368	Do you really think tourists want to see cows grazing when they expected to see wild horses grazing? Why do you think going backward in history is a good thing? History repeats itself. You should know that by now.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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371	opposing the BLM's fiscally irresponsible and inhumane plan for the Onaqui herd.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
372	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
373	This is ridiculous - these horses belong where they are. You need to leave them in peace. Stop the Greed - it is really getting out of hand. These horses were born free and should remain that way.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
374	Very much opposed to removing wild horses from their home. It serves no humane purpose.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
375	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
376	BLM, stop your plan to start persecuting and catching the famed Onaqui wild horses who live on our public lands near Salt Lake City, Utah! 379 of these beautiful horses will lose their freedom foreve! To truly honor Independence Day, please abandon your cruel plans, these mustangs are protected as national symbols of freedom!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
377	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
378	Stop destroying nature and wildlife!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
380	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
381	Leave the horses be!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
382	Why would you people be so disrespectful & dishonest? You do not care about wild horses, any life forms on earth, people or the earth's environment. You only care about your greed for power & wealth. It is very shameful & disrespectful for the terrible things that you do. God will hold you responsible for the terrible things that you are doing.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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386	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
389	When Republicans take control, they kill horses to sell for dog food. Unacceptible!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
390	I oppose the BLM'S plan to remove the Onaquin horses. These horses like all wild horses need to stay free on their land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
391	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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397	Please leave the Onaqui wild mustang s on their home range. They are a symbol of our history and have developed family ties on this range that should not be broken.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
398	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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404	leave The Onaqui herd where they are, haven't you broken up enough families for cattle?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
405	Please listen to the people. We want these horses to remain free and protected. It is part of a rich history and beauty. Respect for a wild life and wild places should be a priority	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
406	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
407	Leave the wild horses alone. We need the GOP welfare ranchers gone now. The Obama plan to return the public lands to their original intent was good. Thanks to the Russians, Trump, McConnell and his GOP Ag buddies are back in business again and taxpayers are being screwed over as usual. The BLM will assist in killing our horses again. As long as the GOP exists, our wild horses and our native wildlife will be exterminated for the Ag payoffs. We want this harassment and killing of our wild horses gone yesterday. I hope this is clear to every individual involved in this holocaust of America's wildlife and this wanton destruction of our heritage. The GOP must go. Ouor native wildlife is to be protected now, not later. Taxpayers are still footing all the bills. We have had enough.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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411	I am adamantly opposed to the roundups of the wild horses and burros and sale to slaughter. These are a direct violation of the Wild Horse and Burro Protection Act. The American people do not want to see our national treasures rounded up and slaughtered. There are effective birth control methods that can be used. The inhumane tactics of the roundups- chasing horses and foals for miles and roping- is a poor reflection on the Bureau of Land Management's reputation and integrity. The American public DOES NOT want their hard earned tax dollars squandered this way. If you are unwilling or unable to respect and follow the wishes of your employers, the American public, get a different job and make way for someone who is. That is the honorable thing to do.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
413	I can't understand why the interests of rich cattle ranchers always have to take precedence over the interests of native species. The American wild miustag is iconic. Is the cow?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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426	It is deeply disturbing and INHUMANE to deprive wild horses of their natural lives. There is no justifiable reason to be so cruel to these majestic creatures. The vast majority of US Citizens do NOT SUPPORT taking wild horses from their homes. Please do the right thing and leave them in peace. THE WORLD IS WATCHING YOU.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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433	Please reconsider the proposed actions. These mustangs are a national treasure or should be. There are many other ways to save them (and alleviate any perceived problems they may be causing) that are humane. I am a very conservative voter, but believe in treating our resources with respect. There are potential owners who would love to have these animals and likely would leave them as wild as possible.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
434	I am sick of the BLM protecting the land for people who line their pockets. Our country was built on the backs of these horses. They should be treated with respect!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
436	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
437	Please protect the horses and burros of Utah's wild range. Capture would cause terrible stress and cardiac arrest for these individual equines.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
439	I am contacting your office regarding the removal of the Onaqui wild horses who live on our public lands near Salt Lake City, Utah. As a taxpayer and United States citizen, I do not support the removal of these iconic Utah mustangs who are protected as national symbols of freedom. More importantly, I do not support selling these horses for slaughter to other countries. There should be a workable solution that allows people and horses to coexist without having to disrupt the herds. Please look for other solutions.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
440	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
441	WHY IS THE BLM ALLOWED TO BETRAY THEIR MISSION by doing the very opposite of what they are entrusted to protect????	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
442	SOMEBODY NEEDS TO EXPLAIN TO THE BLM EXACTLY WHAT THEY ARE THERE FOR: AND IT IS NOT TO DESTROY THE LAND AND THE WILD HORSES AND ALL OTHER WILDLIFE INHABITANTS!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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456	These wild horses were part of this great country's heritage long before the BLM was fabricated, let's get rid of the BLM and other worthless government programs and concentrate on the ones that actually have a honest purpose. My question is what is the benefit or better yet whom will it benefit to slaughter these magnificent animals. These animals do not create near the problem that society does by irresponsible over-breeding at the Tax-payers expense and open borders cause. Wake up people.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
457	This inhumane and tragic thing is happening more and more to our beloved wild ones. Round ups, sterilization, land that by LAW taken away so more and more cattle will destroy the range for wildlife. When will it stop? When will the BLM realize how much money is being wasted for this. Man does not need to "regulate" the growth of these herds. Nature takes care of that if The BLM will just leave them alone. And what ever other agencys are involved. I cannot believe there are such cruel people in this world to split these families up without any remorse. Please reconsider the decisions being made to annililate these herds. You are depriving the next generation and those to come to the beauty of seeing these horses in the wild. All over greed. You will answer on judgement day as to why you treated these animals that God created like this.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
458	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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460	The Wild Horse Laws of 1959 and 1971 prohibit any molestation of the wild equines (horses and burros) of the United States. They are to be free roaming and unmanaged. The BLM is currently breaking those laws and wasting millions of taxpayer' dollars against taxpayers' authority. The equine species originally evolved on the northern hemisphere and was wiped out by ancient humans. Today's wild horses natually belong to the North American continent along with antelope, bison, elk, wolves, mountain lions, moose, bears, condors, etc. The human-introduced foreign species are cattle, sheep, and wild hogs that are destroying the natural national landscape and should only be raised in contained lots and buildings. This is where BLM should be involved, in the protection of natural lands against introduced foreign animals, insects, and plants. Wild horses and their natural predators are self-regulating, especially in the very poor habitats of the natural landscape where cattle, sheep, and hogs cannot thrive. Leave the wild horses and predators alone to nature' regulation, and spend the wasted millions of tax dollars on more important and useful ways to protect the American landscape for the American people.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
461	I passionately object to corralling, capturing, driving or harrasing our wild horses on PUBLIC (They belong to us, the taxpayers) lands. We do pay taxes, therefore the LAND and the HORSES belong to US, and must not be harrassed by ANY of you no matter what you call yourselves. Bureau of Land Management, has come to be called the KILLERS OF THE WEST, and we do not NEED you in any way or form. Your sadistic methods are irresposnible and criminal. Again, this is a call from TAX PAYERS the ones from whom you take money!!! The Simple Answer is this: NO ROUNDUPS, NO HARASSING ON LAND OR AIR, NO DRIVING THESE INNOCENT ANIMALS ANYWHERE. Your damage to our wildlife is very well known. Do not think that you and your sadistic activities are secret.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
463	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
464	You are supposed to work for the American taxpayers who LOVE their wild horses wild and free, not selfish cattle owners who want cheap grazing land! Time to abolish the BLM completely!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
465	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
466	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
467	I don't understand the need for this. It seems that anything wild and free is a problem for someone who's trying to exploit something or someone. Don't do this! PLEASE!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
468	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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471	It looks like the BLM and Mr Zinke along with other representatives don't follow the rules that have been voted on and designated by Congress in the past years. Why don't they have to follow actions that were taken accounted for in 1971 about the protections of our wild Horses? We the regular people have to abide by all rules or we are going to be punished. Why are they better than the common People and feel RULES are not for them to follow? We the people oppose the BLM Management's plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90% of the Onaqui herd along with other round ups that are in the makings, and permanently remove 379 horses from the range. The EA must analyze the impacts of The cost of roundup/removal/holding of horses on taxpayers vs leaving them on the range that is intrusted for them thru the laws that Congress voted on in 1971, and reduce livestock grazing. BLM's request to Congress for authorization to kill, slaughter or euthanize unadopted horses or Burros on the animals themselves. Stop all of the roundups that are in the works for the next few months. Listen to the people and the old laws that ARE in effect to protect the Wild Horses and Burros, do you want to be the bad guys and break the laws?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
472	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
473	As an equestrian residing in a horsekeeping-zoned community in southern CA, adjacent to Griffith Park and the Los Angeles River, I represent hundreds of like-minded equine issues folks in deep concern for the welfare and status of the famed Onaqui wild horses on public lands--that they not be removed by the BLM from their range, but respectfully managed and given at least, if not more, the same grazing area as livestock. These horses are part of our western heritage, are charismatic, and deserve to be protected and nurtured.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
474	With all the land the government, i.e. we, the people, owns, there is a way to keep our wild horses on our lands. No ifs, ands, or buts!! No cruel sterilization methods, no more helicopter round ups, no more injured horses! I'm sure we the people would gladly step in & manage these herds. We need to be creative and not sacrifice these horses to slaughter, ever, here or foreign. These horses are our western heritage and history, they are worth more than money or gold to us! Please don't betray us or more importantly, them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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479	The BLM should start looking at reducing the number of cattle that are allowed to graze on public lands instead of working to manage wild horses into extinction. The horses are minimal in number compared to cattle and are far less destructive to the environment. The use of control methods such as PZP would be less costly to American taxpayers than warehousing horses. Leave the Onaqui horses alone!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
481	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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485	Please save the horses and other animals on public lands	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
486	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
489	I am opposed to the removal of these horses. Why, when so many want them left alone. Why can't you use proven methods like PZP.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
490	When will the voices of countless thousands make a difference? When will \$\$ (and greed) be the only thing that matters? These magnificent horses are loved and admired throughout our history as a nation! Their right to live, graze and multiply is inherent to the land they had way before we arrived and plundered everything in sight!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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495	Leave these beautiful animals alone ...they need to be free like they have for so many many years they all need to be left together too.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
496	Provide management of herds by fertiliy control and reduce the use of public lands by cattle companies.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
498	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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500	Let them live; let the few remaining horse herds live in peace as 90% of American's desire. They are not the problem; special interests are the problem, and they are defying the bi-partisan Congressional Wild Horse and Burro Act of 1971, signed into law by Richard Nixon in perpetuity. It is only human arrogance that settles on the most cruel practices towards others to solve problems that they themselves have created. Horses and burros give life to the land; they regenerate both flora and fauna, and they do it for free. They deserve their dignity. "Humans cannot give wild animals their freedom; they already have that. They can only take it away." Jacques Cousteau. Why is it that every sage on the planet supplicates to humans to be kind to others, and yet, big business that claims to be so legitimate and sophisticated results in "ultimi barbororum" to solve it's problems? When individuals kill animals we see that as a psychopathy which leads to serial killing. When nations do it we call it "management," or "industry." Nothing sophisticated or honorable about BLM roundups. And if nothing is more	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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	important than the bottom line, than nothing is what you will get in the end. When they are all gone, future generations will shake their heads at your weakness, your inability to stand up to tyranny and be a warrior for those who have no voices, but are always on the giving end of our relationship with them. The BLM WHB program is a joke; and the laughs on you all for failing in your responsibility.	
501	These beautiful animals are part of the important natural wildlife that keeps natures delicate balance in sync.As every single creature living on earth contributes to this balance we must save them. Thank you for considering my concerns.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
502	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
503	I have been following these horrific roundups since 2009. There are approximately 50,000+ wild horses in BLM holding pens, how is this ok? These animals are herd animals who have families that they have been seperated from only to live in penned-in dust bowls, forced to fight for various horrific reasons. How is this okay to run a foal by helicopter, trying to keep up with it's mother in the excrutiating heat only to lose it's soft hoof from being forced to run on the rough terrain for lengthy period of time. Our Wild Horses are suppose to be protected, to live free on the range. They are prey animals, so the Eco system makes room for natural dealth via predator, etc., not to be captured by the BLM in horrific manners and if not brought to holding pens, shipped off to slaughter, how is this ok? I am begging you to save these horses, let them run free. There is room on all ranges across American to share with cattle grazing. These animals are beautiful and peaceful animals that deserve to be left alone. I don't know what else to say to help these horses so I am pleading with you to stop these roundups, our American wild horses deserve to live free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
504	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
505	Our family, and many of our friends strongly oppose the roundups of the America mustangs to provide more grazing land for beef cattle. 2 years ago our family spent 3 weeks driving from Montana through Wyoming and Colorado, with much of our time spend crossing BLM lands on dirt roads in some cases in the hope of seeing some wild mustangs. We did not see a single horse (other than a few on private ranches). We only saw field after field of free roaming beef cattle. We asked the locals where we could see horses and the response was always the same “there all gone” “the BLM rounded them up”. My son was devastated. Imagine explaining to your young child the plight of the American Mustang, now all keep like mice in a cage no longer allowed to run free as a symbol of our great nation. Because the government is corrupt and does not keep its promises to its people. We have stopped eating beef altogether. We are not the only Americans who feel this way. And now your are rounding up MORE horses, in Utah. It is shameful. This nation is about nothing but corporate greed. The cattle mean money, easy money. Sadly it seems no one has the vision to understand what a great tourism business it would be to be able to see the mustangs. Only Madeline Pickens was clever and rich enough to create a Sancuary where the horses can be seen. But sadly myself and many other Americans cannot afford to spend that kind of money. Wouldn’ It be nice if we could stand back on this Independence Day and think of how we could preserve the horses? Let people know where they roam, allow American s to see the horses? I pray that I may see that day.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
506	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
508	How about forgetting the kickbacks you're getting from the ranchers in the area who want the mustangs gone because they compete with their grazing cattle for grass. How about getting those ranchers to gay their BLM grazing fees like they're supposed to. How about letting the mustangs alone since they were there longer than any rancher ever was.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
509	The United States of America is a country based upon rule of and by law (not by the men who hold power at any given point in time). The BLM should honor the spirit and the letter of the unanimously passed and enacted Wild Free-Roaming Horse and Burro Act of 1971 and preserve our wild horses and burros, which are a national treasure and a living symbol of our freedom. The EA for the currently proposed Onaqui removal action, like most of the EAs I have reviewed over the last ten years or so, is grossly inadequate and excludes the most common sense, lease expensive, and most popular alternative management option that respects the intent of the 1971 Act. Specifically, it does not include the option to humanely manage herd population via on-range administration of the PZP birth control vaccination, which (as you well know) was the recommendation made by the National Academy of after over two years of research into the BLM's wild horse and burro management program methods and procedures. In my opinion, the BLM should reduce livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a) and increase the AML for this area to accommodate current wild horse herd numbers. Further, the original Herd Area territory should be restored to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress. The final EA must revise the currently Proposed Action to include the option/alternative of managing the population using fertility control, not removals, as recommended by the National Academy of Sciences. In addition, the EA must provide an analysis of the impacts of: 1) Mass removal of wild horses from an area used for the recreational viewing and photographing of wild horses 2) Cost to taxpayers of roundup/removal/holding of horses vs. managing horses on the range and reducing livestock grazing 3) Cost to the local economy of reduced ecotourism/wild horse viewing opportunities.	Refer to BLM's responses to Number 1, 36 and 1738.
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526	Please ,Please don't remove these Historic Mustangs	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
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532	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
533	Iconic Utah Mustangs DESERVE A Better Fate!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
534	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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542	I oppose the BLM’s fiscally irresponsible and inhumane plan to remove wild mustangs. Instead please use your resources to increase fertility vaccines, and give the vaccination program time to work.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
543	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
544	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
545	The Onaqui herd, like others in the Western U.S., is part of our collective Western heritage. Aside from it's patent inhumanity, the BLM plan to reduce the herd by 90% threatens the ecoligy and ecotourism in the area. In fact, the ecologically sound approach is to leave the herd in tact, and reduce grazing in the area.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1. Reducing/Closures in Livstock Grazing were considered as an alterive in Section 2.5 of the EA.
546	Once again you are considering the removal and ultimate destruction of wild horses and burros to be your priority. The round-ups are unspeakably cruel and expensive. Keeping the horses in your vile pens is inhumane and expensive. Stop wasting taxpayer money and stop catering to the ranchers who want to graze their livestock on the horses' land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
547	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
548	Please allow wild horses to remain free! Being that Independence Day is tomorrow, it is more important than other to allow humans and animals alike to remain free!! This is what our country is based on!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
549	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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553	The BLM should stop all round ups & removal & incarceration of America's wild horses. Use PZP birth control! These are tax payer animals that are supposed to be federally protected. They are a symbol of America's freedom. This is our country's independence day. These horses have family bonds. It is inhumane to rip their families apart for the greed of cattlemen. There is no reason to do this cruel act. Stop now.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
554	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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555	Where are we headed as a nation whose founders endorsed the wildlife we share with indigenous species who are now treated unfairly by those who have no conscience which indicates "no SOUL".We are asked to be stewards by this amazing EARTH which means to be responsible for those that also walk this way. Do not remove these gracious beings from there fields of generations. We reap what we sow and the mirror of truth will indicate what we sow.BE wise, BE kind.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
557	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
558	Please read the attachment. [Same or variation of Number 36.]	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
559	From everything I have read we do not need more cattle on these ranges. That is just once again big business talking. This is never a humane process, it's cruel. If people saw half of how this is done you would never be allowed to continue. Why cant you come up with another solution, this is just selling out the horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
560	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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562	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
563	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
564	leave then alone!! Stop abusing these beautiful creatures.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
565	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
566	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
567	Wild Horses are a national treasure. Treat them as such.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
568	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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579	The famous mustang herds are all being targeted and decimated.This particular herd is especially sacred. We as taxpayers should be able to want a different outcome for them ALL. Public outcry against what the BLM has cruelly done for years is enough. Special interests have held too much power for many years and need now to be ignored. Us taxpayers see these equine as valuableand part of the US history and OUR heritage.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
580	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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583	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
584	I am opposed to the National Park Service's plan to repeal the 2015 rule, which prohibited killing hibernating bears and their cubs using artificial light, shooting wolf and coyote pups and mothers at their dens, using bait to attract brown and black bears to shoot them point blank, shooting vulnerable swimming caribou and using dogs to hunt black bears. This repeal is inconsistent with the agency's statutory consrvation mandate. Americans do not support these hunting methods. Tourists from around the world travel to Alaska to see these wild animals, providing billions of essential dollars to local economies.	This comment is not related to the BLM action and a response is not warranted.
585	I am opposed to the coming roundup of the Onaqui Horse Herd near Salt Lake. I believe we need to manage our wild horses with pzp birth control, but leave them where they are. There is plenty of room and forage, while welfare ranching and natural resource extraction should be limited. The Wild Horse and Burro Act of 1971 states that they are to be protected and "not harmed".	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. Alterniave C, the No Action Alternave, analyzes the use of only PZP.
586	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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589	You are taking our public lands and clearing them of the very symbol of our nation's independence and freedom: the mustang, so that you can repurpose that land for cattle raising and fossil fuel exploration. Americans do not want our public lands repurposed. We want to be able to bring our grandchildren to see these horses and have their great-grandchildren bring their grandchildren to see these horses. With close to 100,000 of our wild horses already penned and separated from their families, hasn't your department done enough?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
590	Please do not remove the Wild Horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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597	I oppose the Onaqui Wild Horse Round up. I do not want my tax dollars used to remove these the horses from their native lands. Please manage them with proven humane methods on the plains. thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
598	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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603	i oppose this round up and all mustang round ups. Pzp birth control yes, but terrifying roundups and holding pens with little to no adoptions and long term imprisonment when the land is public and theirs!! No, i disagree with round ups. Please dont take our wild horses and pen them up! Americans dislike this very much KEEP THEM FREE-	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
604	The Onqui Herd is a PROTECTED HERD and must remain so and stay where they are and NOT be seperated!! They need the more than 500,000 acres that was allotted to them by Congress! Give this back to them and all will be fine. The rancher's sell most of their meat over seas and we do NOT want to subsidize them any more. I want my TAX dollares to go for the WILD HORSES!! If you would listen to the National Academy of Sciences you could use birth control on SOME of the mares to keep the populations down. The majority of the American people disagree with what you are doing so stop doing it!!!!!! We want our WILD HORSES WILD AND FREE NOT CORRALLED UP SOMEWHERE OR SENT TO SLAGHTER ANY WHERE!!!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
605	Please leave these horses live out their lives on the lands that Mother Nature intended them to have. I am tired of you people using my tax money to house these horses in pens(prisons). Killing them is not an option. I know what you can do....stop letting ranchers graze their cows and pay next to nothing in grazing fees. Plus cows have been proven to degrade the land so much more than horses. There are better ways to control herd populations if that is what you truely want to do. I would rather you spend my hard earned tax money on fertility control instead rounding them up and sending them to prison.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
606	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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612	I'm asking you to not remove the Onaqui herd of mustangs near salt lake Utah. Why don't you limit the grazing of cattle according to law? Please consider this. There are enough mustangs in holding pens and that have been destroyed and it's a waste of taxpayers money.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
613	INHUMANE plan....do not implement:(Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
614	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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617	Why can't you leave these horses alone. These are public lands, not for development. Why do politicians have such a problem leaving open spaces, afraid they won't be able to put another dollar in their pockets. These beautiful horses are part of our heritage. Let them be.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
618	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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621	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
622	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
623	I do not understand the reasoning behind removing these horses and even slaughtering them. All for livestock! Someting we have too much of.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
624	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
625	I already submitted my comments - CANNOT get this form to SUBMIT or MY NAME ?	Response not warranted. Commenter's previous comment was received.
626	Leave the wild horses their land to live on as they actually replenish it unlike cattle and sheep who totally destroy it.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
627	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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637	I Do Not believe these wild horses need to be controlled and round-up. They are NOT disturbing the land or hunting livestock. They are peaceful, beautiful creatures that have the right to exist as is. There is plenty of vastlands in Utah/Nevada for the horses to exist without harrassment & torment. They are magnificant to see in the wild while traveling! Round-ups are unnecessary and a waste of tax-payer's money.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
638	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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644	We put out so much money towards foreign countries and yet we don't take care of our own responsibilities. Horses and the weatern way of life is part of our country. I want us to be rsponsible for these herds and care for them the way our Creator intnded. They need humane treatment and funds devoted to their continued care!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
645	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
646	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
647	Please leave the Mustangs of Utah alone. They resied on public lands. This should not be used for PRIVATE grazing. Thank you,	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
649	Dont take away horses from ranges. They are part of the land. Stop allowing mistreatment.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
650	We value our wild horses and do not want to see them rounded up and sold for food or any other horrific end you have planned for them! Leave them alone!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
651	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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658	why can't you just leave well enough alone?why not round up the cattle grazing on the land?Please don't round the mustangs up leave them free where they belong	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
659	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
660	PLEASE ACT ON BEHALF OF THE HORSES.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
661	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
662	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
663	Why does the DNR feel they have to eliminate the Wild Horses throughout the United States? These horses are protected and should continue to be protected. It seems that the cattle and sheep ranchers prize all the land across both public and private sector for their own grazing privileges. The DNR tries to use the excuse that the Wild Horses are starving, are not healthy etc, therefore they need to be eliminated from the areas. The truth is the lobbyists and the ranchers are working together, saying there isn't enough food to sustain the horses, but continue to graze the cattle and sheep. The horses and donkeys have been been a part of our Country for a long, long time without this being a huge issue. Please Keep the Wild Horses WILD.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
664	STOP ABUSING and TERROIZING THESE OUR MUSTANGS! STOP THESE ATROCITIES!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
665	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
666	Please these horses alone, please let them stay on the range that is their home.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
667	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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669	As an employee of the BLM, your commitment is to preserve the wild equine, and to keep them safe. Instead you have vowed to delete them from the face of the earth, so that you can rent out the land to ranchers, and receive a nice sum when selling them off to slaughter. These equine do NOT belong to you, they belong to the American public, and we wanting them to remain alive. If you wish to move them off OUR property, then either heard or ship them off to a remote area, where there is shelter from the trees, water to drink, and standing grass to graze. AND THEN LEAVE THEM ALONE!!!! They do NOT need you, for they have survived for thousands of years, long before the BLM was organized.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
670	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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673	Please leave these horses to run free. Honor their presense on the land as they have had for enons.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
674	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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685	Mercy for those without a voice, please.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
686	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
687	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
688	I am vehemently opposed to mass destruction of these beautiful animals who have roamed free in their home for many years. Please do not consider eliminating these beautiful creatures.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
689	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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692	This is outrageous, unacceptable and unnecessary. Cease your destructive actions on ALL wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
693	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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697	This is an irresponsible use of federal funds. Why don't you actually protect our lands rather than go after wild horses?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
698	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
699	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
701	Please do not remove these iconic animals from their home.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
702	Just because the BLM has taken away the freedom of hundreds and thousands of wild horses, doesn't mean they should continue. These horses are part of the landscape of these areas. The people love this herd. The BLM has been wrong since the inception of taking these animals off public lands. Just leave the wild horses alone. Don't round them up or take their water sources for cows. Don't take away their grazing to give to some domestic food animals. Don't try to make a buck off of our public lands at the sacrifice of our wild animals. Just back off and leave them alone to live free and be herds.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
703	PLEASE SAVE THE UTAH MUSTANGS	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
704	I am opposed to the removal of these horses. The BLM should manage herd sizes through sustainable on the range contraception....PZP, via gather, treat and release programs. To break up families of very social animals is both cruel and unnecessary. These horses were born wild, leave the families intact ion there public lands.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
705	Please preserve the wild mustangs in your state! There are ever much as important as elk or wolves or birds! Even people from Europe know about the mustangs, they are a part of national heritage. Relocate all together or leave them alone please!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
706	Shame to take the freedom from those beautiful animals!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
707	I am so appalled at the BLM and what seems like a plan to deroy the majority of wild horses in it's so called care. These beautiful, sentient animals do not deserve to be treated in such a cruel and callous way. They are wild creatures and part of America's heritage. Please, do the responsible, honorable thing and treat them with care and respect.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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708	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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710	When referring to fertility control, that does open the door to several options. The best and safest to date that I am aware of is the PZP fertility control. Please consider this.	PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
711	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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719	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
720	Please do not destroy these beautiful horses but treat them humanly by birth control. Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
721	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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737	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
738	Please leave our national treasures of wild horses to live in peace without intervention from government agencies. Save our national grounds from being unsafe for these beautiful animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
739	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
740	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
741	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
742	How I hate you BLM - stop the killing, cruelty, evil.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
744	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
745	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
746	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
747	AGAIN ? Again I say NO! There are so many other options! Better, longer range, projections! Better for the horses, better for the land and on the land management budget! I am 70 years old this year, please do let this be the last year they may have for survival! Thankful that have seen them, don't let the smaller ones loose forever the chance to view a large part of the creation of our United States of America!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
748	Please do not let this happen! I thankfully have seen them running free! Every child should have the chance to see this part of their heritage still running free. They represent "The land of the free and the brave".	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
749	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
750	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
751	let are wild horses alone. They need to be free and wild and they are not hurting anything where they are.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
752	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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759	The wild horses live on public lands. They are able to survive. There are not good homes for them if removed. wild horses wind up in slaughter houses where they are brutally killed. Have compassion on these sentient horses that are not harmful to anyone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
760	I oppose BLM's plans to remove 90% of the Onaqui herd from OUR THE PUBLIC's land!! Reduce the livestock grazing and increase the AML for this area to accommodate current wild horse herd numbers. Restore the ORIGINAL HERD AREA TERRITORY to active management status by increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA TO ITS ORIGINAL 507,681 acres that were DESIGNATED BY CONGRESS!!!!!!!!!! Please analyse the impact of BLMs request to slaughter or kill unadopted horses. 2- mass removal on recreational use of HMA of Wild horse viewing and photographing! 3- costly roundups, helicopter use, and holding of horses on range! 4- REDUCING LIVESTOCK grazing.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
761	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
762	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
763	Please do not remove the Onaqui wild horses. Please reduce the numbers of livestock cattle Etc grazing on this property these are our public lands and we the people would like to see wild horses on these lands for enjoyment and photography, ect. Please do not allow any of these Wild Horses to be sold for Slaughter or killed. Please use the already proven birth control method pzp on the wild Mares to keep their numbers down instead of rounding them up.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
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766	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
767	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
768	Please do not round up and remove the Onaqui wild horses from their range near Salt Lake City, Utah. These horses can be humanely limited in their expansion by darting and birth control. Do not use the field surgical sterilization on any wild horses!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
770	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
771	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
772	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
773	With all our tax dollars the federal government wastes, misplaces, misdirects, squanders and that go to fraud and corruption, there MUST be sufficient funds set aside to care for our Mustangs and Burros, the symbols of our heritage. Once and for all, stop all plans to remove, sell, break up the herds or slaughter these animals. They must reside intact, safely, on public lands and sanctuaries at the taxpayers' expense because it is a worthwhile cause. Stop leasing our lands to oil, gas and cattle ranchers who pay next to nothing, destroy the land and replace wildlife. We know your brutality and lunkheadedness. It is unAmerican and your agency should be terminated for lack of good works.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
774	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
775	I care about the welfare of these animals and want them to remain free. I do NOT want my state and federal tax dollars used to round up, haul off and sell off these majestic animals. This is not ok, and this decision should be left to the taxpayers. These Onaqui herd is in my state of residence, Utah and I've personally driven out to see these animals along with my children and they are in nobody's way and bothering no one. Leave Them Be or be wiser and use them for tourist incestives to see wild horses Alive and Thriving. Not on some other countries dinner plate.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
776	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
777	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
779	Let's remove the non protectors of wildlife from the BLM instead! It's time to end the favoritism to corporate interests. Keep the wild horses on the land!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
780	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
781	PLEASE PROTECT OUR WILD HORSES. THEY HELPED BUIL THE COUNTRY AND DESERVE RESPECT AND CONSIDERATION.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
782	We must protect the wild horses! Dont destroy a national treasure.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
783	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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791	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
793	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
794	LEAVE THEM BE.....IF EVERYTHING KEEPS GETTING CULLED AND MOVED AND REDISTRIBUTED THERE WILL BE NOTHING LEFT.....LEAVE THEM BE.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
795	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
796	I apologize. I forgot to include a pointer to the current knowledge keepers for the feeding shields for all the life on the lands which you have been given to manage. BTW, it feeds emotionally as well as physically and eventually will make "the lion lie down with the lamb" because they have recieved all they need to live without killing. This might sound like "pie in the sky" (get it?) but it is as real as the current heat wave. Here is a quickie look at what one little fella did to shield his home from hurricane Maria. All of PuertoRico could have looked like this if Trump had accepted the offered technology. I want you to understand how powerful and this tech is. The blueprints have been given free to the world by the nuclear-physicist inventor and millions, worldwide, are cooperating to develop the many applications. April 14 and 15th, we got together and displayed our "state of the art". The progress is ongoing day and night: it never stops. And it is being taught so that every man woman and child on earth will be capable of producing any of the apps.. You are no longer caught between a rock and a hard spot. As you know all too well, your predicament is part of a whole. The answers for your job, your personal life, and the salvation of earth are now in your hands. If you watch both days you will be changed, and happy to see what is being made for you. This is coming. Why not ride the crest of the wave instead of being left behind, as if you were tied to a post. youtube.com search for 206th Knowledge Seekers Workshop and then go to 2:02:30 and bolt your socks to your shoes because you will be happily surprised....there is a bit more explanation here: youtube.com/watch?v=hjWT5Ky-10w	Response not warranted.
797	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
798	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
799	The continuation of removal of our wild horses and burro absolutely is representative of the political agenda only! It's not the resources as nature represents nor the studies that clearly show factual evidence... The support to the ranchers and oil industries is a detriment to all wild life and our environment. The BLM is not protecting wildlife and the environment- it's abusing these powers for one narrow minded pattern which our planet is suffering from, power and money. How can you feel like your work contributes to making our world a better place when your actually selling it off?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
800	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
801	Please don't round up these beautiful horses; for slaughter. They are free keep them that way!.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
802	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
803	protect the horses and let them be wild	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
804	Leave these horses alone ! It is their home and their land. They belong there ! Find some other way to spend our tax \$!!!!!!! and stop sucking up to greedy and grabby ranchers who want to feed their money/cattle the grass the horses eat. Damn shame ! these poor cows have a horrible life.....not good for them to be alive.....you can't call sentient animals " commodity "Disgusting !	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
805	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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811	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
812	This irrespsible and cruel treatment of these beloved animals is appalling! If this is being instigated by ranchers, it is even more wrong. These animals deserve to be on their own land where the come from.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
813	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
814	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
815	The BLM wants to round up and remove all those 'excess' wild horses from the land so - why is it that I can NEVER find a wild horse to observe? In many years of costly travel from my home in Massachuestts to various states and wild horse reservations, I have NEVER seen a wild horse! So, I ask the public, and the BLM - if there is such an overpopulation that you want to remove more and more of these animals, which, I may add, were there before you and I were, why can't I find them? Or, is it, as I suspect - that the reason the BLM wants to remove these animals is NOT overpopulation or even for the sake of not adequate food, but for the more profitable range leases they want to give out to ranchers? Becasue the cattle need much more food than the horses!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
817	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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820	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
821	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
822	I oppose of the way you will be handling the management of the wild mustangs. Sounds to me like your way of handling them is basically getting rid of them. This is not what citizens of the US expect of you. We expect you to geld or use birth control to manage the population. These horses deserve to be wild. The way you are handling our wild horses is basically murder. They are not to be sold to private companies to be butchered. That makes you horse murderers. Please find a way to control the population differently.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
823	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
824	The plan to annihilate these horses is cruel, inhumane and totally without merit. I demand that the horses be left to live and die in their natural habitat without interference from the BLM.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
825	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
826	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
827	Leave these horses on their range. I oppose the BLM's fiscally irresponsible and inhumane plan, especially when there are more cost effective and humane plans available. BLM'S approach costs taxpayers millions in wasted dollars and violates Americans' wish to maintain these herds on the range. Leave Utah's beloved Onaqui wild horses on their range.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
828	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
829	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
830	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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832	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
833	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
834	Please keep our wild horses free and allow them to roam the USA !!! They are part of our American hereitage!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
835	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
836	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
837	Please I'm begging you to please act responsibly and humanely for this beautiful heard. Thank you	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
838	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
839	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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844	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
845	Leave the wild horse herds alone! You have taken enough of these precious animals already. Instead down size the number of livestock, owned by ranchers, using these public lands for pennies on the dollar. They are leaving a worse impact to these lands than the horses/donkeys. Too many private businesses are over using OUR public lands. Quit giving into a few select private interest groups and listen to the public for once.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
846	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
847	I oppose the fiscally irresponsible and I humane plan for the mustang herd . You are hired by the American people and this heard belongs to them . Please protect our American heritage .	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
848	Stop! No more roundups. Move the cattle off public land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
849	Please reconsider the removal of these magnificent icons of the West. I'm sure you can find a way.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
850	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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858	Surely there are better ways,to manage this horse issue,this is matter of history in opposition with cultural convenience.Where is the milk of human kindness?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
859	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
860	STOP REMOVING OUR WILD HORSES AND BURROS.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
861	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
862	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
863	Why is the Bureau of Land Management so intent on getting rid of these horses. It is an atrocity that these horses are to be removed or even more dangerous be slaughtered. I wonder how much the ranchers have to say about this since they would rather see these horses eliminated and all other wild life to save their grazing grounds so their cattle can be slaughtered for food. How much death and violence needs to be in the plan for these animals. Horses have always been a big part of this country and used for transportation, for so many tasks humans needed them to do. Now the BLM is always looking to destroy these animals instead of letting them run wild and be free. There is plenty of open space for humans and wild life to live together. Leave it be and if you want to help, look for options to take care of the horses, not destroy them!!!! What kind of people run this bureau, I would love to know their qualifications or lack of. Do what is right and just and allow these horse to live a life of freedom. No animal could ever equal the damages, destructions. and evil man has done and is doing in this world. That is a fact no one can deny, BLM members!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
864	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
865	I cannot understand why the government of the US continues to allow the merciless roundup's and removal of native animals to continue by the BLM !!! The thought that our animal protector's tax \$\$\$'s are used to fund these barbaric actions to please certain groups of people is a crime. I believe that the agency needs to be investigated and limits set that the # of animals removed should be 0 until all facts are known The holding pens where these animal are kept are in fact prisons and the animals should be returned to their native lands, not sold to kill buyers and bunchers. In fact, the government needs to have a lawsuit brough against them to stop what is happening with helpless animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
866	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
867	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
868	I'm writing to let you know that it's inhumane to kill these horses and Burros. BLM has been told over and over that more then 80% of Americans are against rounding up these animals to be sent to an inhumane holding pens only to be sold and shipped off to be KILLED!!! Hope you read this and think about how wrong this is.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
869	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
870	Please preserve our heritage of the wild mustangs....all the public who are informed realize what the BLM is trying to do which is caving in to ranchers' needs to get rid of the mustangs. We love them, and you have been charged by law to protect them. Please do not remove the mustangs.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
871	Taxpayer money should not be spent rounding up, killing or auctioning off our wild horses. Majority of Americans are against this fiscally irresponsible and inhumane practice. Public lands belong to all of us, including wildlife, and our voices should be heard. It is time for the ranching and mining industries to stop getting priority and destroying our lands! We owe future generations to care for the lands and wildlife properly. These animals are being terrorized and this is simply wrong!! It is time for science to rule over greed and politics.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
872	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
873	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
874	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
875	Leave the horses alone. Stop the roundups.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
876	Please let the wild herds of horses in Utah run free. they deserve a good life, just like you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
878	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
879	A comment was not provided. It just included the closing/signature block.	Response is not warranted.
881	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
882	Please do not slaughter these horses. I hope compassion for these beautiful creatures will rule your decision.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
883	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
884	It is more important to increase acreage for wild mustangs than to increase grazing for cattle. The mustangs are our national heritage.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
885	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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888	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
889	What is wrong with you people? There is plenty of space for these horses to roam, quit ruining every wild thing left in this country! We don't need another McDonalds hamburger for God's sake!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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890	please don't round up onaqui horses. leave them alone; they don't deserve this!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
891	LEAVE THE ONAQUI HERD ALONE! BLM'S IRRESPONSIBLE BEHAVIOR WITH OTHER HERDS SHOULD NOT BE REPEATED. HOW MANY MAGNIFICENT HORSES AND BURROS ARE YOU GOING TO TERRORIZE AND SLAUGHTER BEFORE YOU'RE DONE?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
892	Please do not take these wild horses from their home land the have the right to live free as you and I do. You first took the Indians away from their homes now you want to destroy the wild horses which our part of our history. DON'T DO IT. People will remember you at voting time. If you put it to a vote you will see that people don't want this done for once LISTEN to the people.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
893	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
894	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
897	PLEASE DO NOT REMOVE THESE HORSES! Instead find good homes for them. Keep families together. Horses live in herds and are not different from humans in that regard.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
898	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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904	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
905	Please reconsider this decision.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
906	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
907	Please leave these wild horses to be part of americas hisory.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
908	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
909	These animals and their home land must be protected	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
910	I am very much against reducing the size of the herd due to decreases in grazing areas. I am an American citizen, and I favor wild horses verses cattle/livestock grazing. My wants for public sector lands should have as much validity as large scale livestock concerns. These horses are a magestic example of the freedoms we hold in high regard in the United States.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
911	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
912	Please, you must find a better way to “manage” these free-range horses. These horses are a very old breed that need protection; they do not need to be rounded-up to meet possible slaughter. Let them live under correct care and management. This does not cut costs and does not help anyone. Most of these horses are of low numbers and are rarely even seen by people in the area. Please, don’t round them up and destroy them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
913	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
914	why are you moving them, leave them alone, you people are so stupid	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
915	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
917	I ask that you reconsider your move of the Onaqui Mustangs near Salt Lake City, UT. This would be like moving the deer, moose, elk, etc. from their natural habitat. They belong in the wild. Keep them in their natural home.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
918	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
919	We are rounding up horses to allow beef cattle to graze who will ultimately end up dead. The amount of money and pollution and cruelty involved in these actions are atrocious. When will enough be enough? Please reconsider this roundup. It is animal cruelty and we are destroying our environment with livestock. Enough.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
920	Based upon the recent news of rounding up the Onaqui Bands I am registering my protest against this. There is no good reason to remove outside of negative interests seeking to take the land. These horses are our National treasure and deserve to be treated as such. The groups managing are well informed and monitor what is needed to keep the herds safe and healthy. Do not take our horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
921	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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930	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
931	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
932	I am opposed to your plan to remove Onaqui horses from their homeland. Thank you for considering my opinion.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
933	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
934	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
935	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
936	I strongly oppose the BLM's pland to proceed with the cruel action to round up 90 per cent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range. These horses are living free as they have the right to do without your help, there are other options, is it really financially better to terrorize them and drive them onto holding pens and have the federal government feed and neglect them or leave them on the range? To remove these beloved and monitored who are PROTECTED as national symbold of freedom is fiscally irresponsible and inhumane, a permanent stain on your organization that will not be forgotten. Many people are aware of the travesty your have been and will now of cruelty to these magnificant herds. If you would only be willing to work with our organizations to use humane methods of maintaining a small herd on the free ranges in this country, NOT removals and permanent extinction of America's wild horses as you viciously are on your way to complete.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
937	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
938	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
939	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
940	keep animals safe and away from hard	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
941	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
942	I oppose the roundup and removal of the Wild Horses at The Onaqui HMA in Utah. There seems to be no apparent reason for doing this there is plenary of room for them they are not hurting anything tourists love to come to see them which helps the local economy please leave them alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
943	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
944	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
945	It is inhumane to trap these majestic wild animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
946	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
947	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
948	I am against the BLM roundup of these Utah wild horses. The BLM has not attempted to follow the recommendations of a report it solicited from the National Academy of Sciences. A fortune in tax payers money was used for these recommendations. The BLM has failed to establish a working program to prevent pregnancies by injections. The NAS believed this was a favorable way to manage wild horses as opposed to primitive and cruel roundups and placement of these horses in barren pens and in slaughter pipelines. It is apparent the BLM has been paid off by powerful special interest lobbyists primarily the cattle rancher lobbyists to eliminate the wild horses so that ranchers can profit by monopolizing the land for their cattle ranches. Stop this collusion; stop this corruption. Stop the illegal roundup of our Federally protected wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
949	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
950	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
951	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
952	Please leave these wild horses al one. They are OUR wild horses, they are doing fine without interference. Please.....removing them is wrong and dangerous for them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
953	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
954	Please help the horses, the mustangs. Kep them safe and alive!!e	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
955	This is a test from my iPhone.	BLM's procedural test of the program function.
956	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
957	I STRONGLY OPPOSE REMOVAL OF ANY HORSE FROM OUR PUBLIC LANDS! When it comes time to vote..I WILL remember and will do everything in my power to justify any action to remove any horse! This I promise!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
958	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
959	The BLM seems to always turn against the animals they are SUPPOSED to be here to protect and always side on the cattflemens side of things go figure, it's all about GREED	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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966	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
967	Please review negative impacts and alternatives. Please see the value in protecting these horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
968	Please leave the herd where they are. So many herds are being disturbed and separated. It is not a good thing, they need to be left alone so our futrue generations will have the privilege of seeing wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
969	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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971	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
972	The BLM's management practices for the wild horses of America leaves much to be desired. The BLM should be developing plans to increase the number of the herds and the size of each individual herd. The amount of land that the US government has available is more than needed to attain this goal. The unnecessary culling of the herds are a misguided attempt at the management of our public lands. Allow the herds to roam freely on the public lands of our great country.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
973	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
976	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
978	Sve the mustangs.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
979	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
981	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
982	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
983	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
984	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
985	There are effective methods of birth control including PZP, which do not require removing herds off their lands. They are also much more cost effective. Please reconsider your gather before more family bands are separated forever. Thank you for your consideration in advance.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
986	I strongly oppose the BLMs plan to remove the herd! Use birth control alternative!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
987	Please leave these wonderful wild creatures alone. They deserve to live their lives free. I do not support removal of these wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
988	Please leave these wild horses alone. I do not support their removal.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
989	NOT MORE KILLING. This is not the American Way! We need to re organize the BLM and put humaniterian people in charge! We do NOT want our tax dollars used to kill Wild Horses!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
990	The four points indicated must be taken into consideration. Wild horses have always represented a great part of United States history. Please continue to allow these magnificent beings to live free.	Refer to BLM's response to Numbers 1 and 36.
991	I have watched the behavior and actions of BLM for a very long time now. I think this group is nothing but another government bad idea gone mad. They have no clarity when it comes to the horses on the plains and doesn't care if they run them to death with helicopters. and why? for the damn ranchers who have the biggest lobby in washington.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
992	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
994	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
995	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
996	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
998	Please allow these inconic animals live in peace.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1000	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1001	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1002	I cannot express enough displeasure on this issue! These horses are healthy and thriving without human intervention, they deserve to live out their lives in peace and harmony! It's our responsiblity to help, protect and save the legacy of these magnificent animals by leaving them in the wild. Countless people can certainly agee with this. I'am disgusted with the way the BLM is handling these icons of our history in such a manner that stresses, confines, seperates families, and causes a great deal of pain to these horses! It's unnecessary and cruel beyond measure! Why is it always to the benefit of cattle ranchers!? it's certainly not a benefit to the horses! I'm sure there is a better way that will benefit everyone, if we put our thinking caps on to come up with a solution that protects these horses for their lifetime. We all need to learn to live with wildlife, not persucute, manipulate or destroy!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1003	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1004	DO NOT ENTRAP AND CAPTURE OR KILL THESE WILD HORSES AND BURROS!!!!!!!!!! IT IS NOT NECESSARY AND TAKING SUCH IMPRUDENT ACTION WOULD BE A DISGRACE, ABUSIVE, AND A SERIOUS OVERREACH OF POWER. PROTECT THEIR RIGHT TO BE FREE IN THEIR NATIVE LAND, WITH THEIR FAMILIES!!!!!!!!!!!!!!THAT IS THE JOB THE BLM SHOULD BE DOING!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1005	Please consider protecting what is left free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1006	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1008	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1009	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1010	leave those horses, they take care of themselves....they bother no one...	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1011	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1012	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1013	Do not remove the onagai horses from their range. They are protected by law and you are violating it.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1014	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1015	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1016	The need to be left alone	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1017	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1018	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1019	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1020	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1021	Please leave these majestic animals alone! They deserve to run free! They were here before us and deserve respect!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1022	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1023	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1024	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1025	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1026	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1030	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1031	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1032	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1033	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1035	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1036	Save the wild mustangs! Do not kill them! Our beautiful wild animals need to be preserved.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1037	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1038	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1039	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1040	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1041	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1042	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1043	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1044	I agree with the American Wild Horse advocates that removal of these wild horses from their home range would be harmful to the herd. BLM does not have a good track record when it comes to handling these wild horses. Please leave them alon to be free and wild as they have for at least a century!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1045	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1046	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1047	Leave these horses on the land where they belong and were born. Do not remove them, or sell them for food.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1048	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1049	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1051	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1053	I believe what makes America beautiful is the land (flaura, fauna, etc.). Let nature be!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1054	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1055	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1056	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1057	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1058	These Wild Horses are beautiful and should not be made extinct from their Natural Habitat. Please restore the acreage needed for this Herd of Wild Horses to live and flourish as they have for all time. Also please don't build viewing stations and so forth. Leave these beautiful Mustangs be in their natural habitat for all to enjoy but don't make pets out of these great Horses.	BLM has not authorized or constructed viewing stations within the HMA. BLM has authorized SRPs for photographing wild horses (Section 3.3.2). Signs have been installed to warn public of approaching wild horses and taking safety precautions. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.
1059	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1061	I oppose the removal of horses from the famed Onaqui herd that are currently living on a designated Herd Management Area. These areas are designated public land swhere wild horses are to be protected and managed to their bebefit under the Wild Horse and Burro Act of 1971. The removal of these horses breaks up family units, to the detrement of these socialanimals,and costs the tax payer billions in long term holding, not to mention the cost of the round-upd and removal. And there is no scientific evidence that this form of management works long term. A better option is the non-hellicopter round up, treatment with the contraceptive PZPand then release. This allows the herds to shrink over time in a more natural and humane manner.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1062	I oppose the removal of the Onaqui wild horses from the designated Herd Management Area. This is a designated piece of public land that has been identified to manage the wild mustangs and burrors under the 1971 Wild Horse and Burros act. To remove these animals detrementaly breaks up family bands of highly social animals, and costs the tax payer billions in long term holding, not to mention the cost of the round up and removal. There is also no scientific evidence that this type of removal manages herd sizes in the long run. A better,and scientifically proposed and backed method, is contraception. Non-helicopter round up, treatment with the contaceptive PZP and release, done periodically, will reduce herd sizes in a more natural and humane manner. It also costs a great deal less.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1063	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1064	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1065	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1066	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1067	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1068	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1069	PLEASE LET THE GREAT HORSES REMAIN THAT ARE NOT A THREAT TO ANYONE THAT JUST WANT TO BE FREE.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1070	Please allow the wild MUstangs to live. provide a safe haven for them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1071	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1072	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1073	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1074	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1075	Irresponsible. Cruel. Misguided. Opposed by the American People. Criminal. STOP Removing OUR Wild Horse's and Burros TO APPEASE CORPORATE INTERESTS. including OVERGRAZING Of CATTLE!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1076	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1077	BLM dont remove these majestic horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1078	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1079	The Onaqui herd is a a special herd that are not just symbols of our American Wild West. They represent freedom, Beauty and live of family . There is no real scientific proof or justifiable reason to round up these iconic beauties that just want to live and have been doing so well on their own until the Cattlemen have taken priority of their land. Please listen to the 80 percentile who are against roundup & removal of the Onaqui herd.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1080	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1081	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1082	Do not remove mustNGS from the area near Salt Lake City. they belong there. Please reconsider this action.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1083	A comment was not provided. It just included the closing/signature block.	Response is not warranted.
1084	Please do not remove these horses from the land. Let them be free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1085	The famed Onaqui wild horses who live on our public lands near Salt Lake City are being removed In just a few months, The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will begin removing these beloved horses from the range.Families will be shattered and 379 of these magnificent animals will lose their freedom forever. In honor of Independence Day, I am taking a stand for these iconic Utah mustangs who are protected as national symbols of freedom. Please do not remove these horses from their land and do not separate them from their families. Please let these horses stay in the wild and protect them and help them live out their lives in the wild without being disturbed and harmed. Thank you very much.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1086	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1087	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1088	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1089	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1090	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1091	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1092	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1093	This is an outrageously cruel form of management! These horses need to be protected, not irresponsibly managed! The public has made clear that oorganizations that are ill willed are not welcomed in society. Stop this nonsense. Hi	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1094	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1095	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1096	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1097	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1098	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1099	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1101	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1102	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1103	I am completely opposed to any more wild horse roundups. Enough is enough. I do do not want my tax dollars to pay for the extinction and harm of MY wild horses. How dar you. This is in direct violation of the 1971Wild Horse and Burro Act. The BLM is supposed to be protecting them and all you’ve done is HARM them. Sick of this!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1104	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1105	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1106	These horses have been around for hundreds of years.They bother no one.Leave them alone as they are loved,and deserve to live freely.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1107	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1108	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1109	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1110	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1111	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1112	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1113	Leave the Onaqui horses alone. They are innocent creatures, who should not be sacrificed to make ranchers rich. Ranchers are destroying lands owned by the public. Horses have a much lighter ‘footrint’. People want to see the beauty of the horses; not the ugliness of human cruelty, born of greed.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1114	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1115	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1116	Cattle ranchers need to be reined in!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1117	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1118	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1119	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1120	ALLOW THEM ALL TO ROAM FREE--STOP TRAPPING THEM, HARASSING THEM, ROUNDING THEM UP AND KILLING THEM. THEY SHOULD BE ABLE TO RUN AND LIVE FREE.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1121	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1122	the BLM has no right to remove the wild horses from public land and replace them with privately owned cattle!! These horses belong to the people of America. The people of America who pay the taxes on the land have a right to decide what lives on the land. I do not want my tax	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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	dollars supporting some multi millionaires cattle who then ships them off to China!! Wrong and abuse of BLM power. Just wondering what kick backs these cattle corporations are giving to BLM administrators and the Utah state legislature?? Someone needs to check that out!	
1123	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1124	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1125	I guess our government is on a roll. Breaking up families is now the norm, be it human or animal. To the President, anyone who isn't white is an animal. Why is this barbaric treatment of beautiful, peaceful animals still allowed in our country? Our "leaders" pretend that we are better than other countries & yet these atrocities are still happening. Many people would gladly adopt them. Stop this now!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1126	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1127	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1128	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1129	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1130	leave these horses to live in peace. For God's sake. why must you kill everything. They have a right to live as much as anyone. The BLM is a disgusting group of terrorists.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1131	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1132	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1133	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1135	The BLM has a history of ignoring the people adverse to the methods of "contol" of wild horses. They seem to want to satisfy only ranchers who demand more free land to graze cattle. Cattle do more harm to the land than horses. The horses were here first, and are an integral oart of our history. They deserve to be protected, not used as pawns in politics. There are better ways, but may take a bit more work than flying hellocopters to scare, kill, round up wild horses. To destroy herds that thousands follow, are kniwn through out the land, maybe televised or written about is perverse. Even if a herd is not well known, they hsvc a right yo exist. The BLM plays God, but does not follow God's rules. One would think with all the adverse public out crys, some thing would eventually sink into their minds that, hey, maybe we should not do this. But then money talks in this country as does greed.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1136	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1137	Why is it until the BLM came along, all was working as it should be. The BLM is in favor of the ranchers and the destruction of any and all wild horse and donkey herds. WHY? There is enough land to go around for all if the ranchers weren't so greedy and the BLM wasn't lining their pockets by said ranchers....greed has become a way of life, for all things and all places. It's time to go back a step or two and take care of our people and our animals, as God meant it to be. These wild mustangs were here long before and in destroying them, you are destroying one of our Countries most beautiful icons. They are a part of history, and yes, many are trying to destroy our history and any and all remnants we have of it, but it's time for you to take a stand and say "NO MORE". These horses deserve our protection and a place to live out their lives freely and with care. I believe with HUMANE ways, the populations can be controlled, but not to the point of "trial and error or a lets try this" on these horses lives, but with proven humane ways of population control.....not the barbaric ways we are hearing of and seeing being done. You can't rip the insides of a mare out with tools and expect her to live a pain free life, or is that what you are looking to happen so they will "die on their own"???? BLM needs to either step up and help, or go away totally. Because from what we're seeing at this point, the BLM is useless.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1140	I think you should find or create a volunteer group to manage this herd. in fact, these horses are probably cheap so I'd take some of your donation money and buy some sanctuary land, buy them and let them continue their lifestyle	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1141	The BLM is deceitful. The BLB is moving forward with paperwork to begin a spay experiment in Oregon. This experiment was placed (prior to approval) onto the “gather schedule “. ...AND has already given a start date to October 1. BLM has placed operations onto schedules in multiple instances prior to any NEPA completion. It leaves any room for any confidence by the public that any “public comment “ period is even taken seriously by the BLM. I am further aghast by the video ”Ovarectomy Research Project Proposal for Wild Horses”. This is scientifically the most dangerous and not appropriate for mares in the wild.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1142	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1143	Please stop these roundups and let God handle the horses. Do Not, I beg of you, round up and break up any more families. I hate the helicopter chases done anytime but especially done in the summer when it is soooo hot!!!! Please, they are entrusted to your care, not torment. Please leave them be. Please allow them to stay together and roam FREE. They are our American symbol.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1144	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1145	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1146	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1147	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1148	Turn Zinke to Glue! Leave our precious wild horses alone. They have survived all manor of human deprivation and meanness and built this country with the breaking of their backs. their is nothing we can do to thank them for their service. Protect their habitat, preserve their lands	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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	and defend their right to exist. it is the least we can do . i demand you leave them alone. For ourselves, for our children, and for respect. Stop roundup, capture and slaughter.	
1149	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1150	The great and historic image of our American West-a symbol of our free West. preserve this healthy great icon who we all love.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1151	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1152	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1153	Please find a humane alternative to slaughtering burros and wild horses, they are American icons and should be preserved just like our environment which is deteriorating before our eyes due to mankind and climate change!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1154	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1155	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1156	PLEASE STOP REMEOVING WILD HORSES TO ALLOW MORE ROOM FOR CATTLE. IT IS SO MESSED UP AND DUMB AND NOBOSY LIKES IT. LET THE WILD HORSES STAY IN THEIR HOME IN THE WILD. DONT BE MEAN.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1157	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1158	Rounding up our wild horses and putting them in pens - possibly sending them off for slaughter is counter to what the American People want. There are much more humane ways to deal with this. Also- removing up to 90% of them will wreck havoc on their genetic diversity. I say that if it is a choice between hamburger or wild horses - I'll take the horses - alive and running free. I understand that the Academy of Sciences supports medicated fertility control and not sterilization. Please listen to the scientists. Thank you for your time to reconsider the removal of the Onaqui wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1160	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1161	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1169	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1170	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1172	Stop the cruelty — please! You are breaking the hearts of the American public as well as the laws protecting these iconic creatures. Let them stay free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1173	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1174	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1175	Please preserve the Mustangs.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1176	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1178	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1179	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1180	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1181	THIS GOVERNMENT IS DESTROYING AND KILLING EVERYTHING AROUND US.... AND ALL FOR MONEY! PLEASE STOP!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1183	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1184	Our federal land are just that OURS. These horses should be managed with both control if numbers need to be reduced. I, as an American taxpayer, would far rather have the chance to see wild horses, burros, deer, antelope etc than cows or sheep. We ranched for years and would never consider putting our livestock above the wild horses and wildlife in our area. We did not use federal land, only our own private land. Ranchers need to keep livestock on their own places, do private leases or only run the number of head on federal leases which leave adequate feed and range for the animals and hey live there.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1185	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1186	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1187	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1188	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1189	Hey Yall' I don't give a Rat's Ass how many horses U have running Wild and Free !! Their are CERTAIN Breeds of Horses that are supposed to be that way! They are part of America and Part of The American West. Leave them be!! Mustang's are one of those Breeds!! Seriously!! I'm tired of yall' causing them problems! Just because some Rancher "Bitches" or so other "whoever" Group complains or whines about them!! They are Beautiful and Majestic Animals ! They need to be Protected, Cared for, and loved! If I had a Ranch with enough acres, I'd take them in and You can Bloody Hell Believe I'd protect them!! But once again, Thanks to the current US Economy being stale now, (At least so far POTUS Trump, has kept us from collapsing!) I ONLY had to "Idle" my Company, Not close it a 5th time ! STILL NOT MAKING ANY MONEY !!! Maybe one day, I will have a Ranch with enough Acres to do just that! Because Lord knows, yall' don't want to do it !! If Yall' want to buy or give me enough land, I'll be more than happy to take care of these wonderful animals for U. But short of that, Yall' just need to leave them be!! It's that simple!!!! Thank U.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1190	I do not want the Onaqui wild horses removed from their homeland in the state of Utah. I see no reason for this planting be implemented by BLM. I am very tired of hearing about all of the round-ups of our wild horses and burros in our western states. These wild horse herds (families) are to be protected by our government, not rounded up and split up. These stallions, mares and their babies belong together to live, wild and free, on their home ranges, as they have for many, many years. These plans are not wanted by most Americans and it seems as though the BLM just continues to do these round-ups anyway. I am asking, as a concerned citizen, that no round-ups be done in the future. If you think there are too many wild horses in these areas, get rid of the cattle you have grazing on the public land that you rent out to cattle ranchers. That would alleviate the problem..... Thank you. I do hope you actually read and consider this message. It reflects the thoughts of more than 80% of American citizens for the future of our wild horses and burros. It seems as though the reasons the BLM has for doing these round-ups do not.....	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1191	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1192	I'm writing about the Onaqui herd near Salt Lake City, Utah. I ask that the BLM use fertility control instead of removal. I also request that the original herd area territory should be restored to active management status. Thus, increasing the size of the Onaqui herd to the 500,000 acres originally designated by Congress.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1193	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1194	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1195	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1196	Please let's get real here. We need this reference to our past so we never forget how they helped form our country with us. Take extra care of our horses an burros over the entire USA. We need your help. Please help!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1198	the vile evil actioins of the united states bureau of land management in corralling and killing and selling our wild horses for horse meat is beyond comprehension of the american citizens. millions of us have constnatly written to protect the lives of these horses, but he evil, cruel bribe taking us bureau of land management has money to bemade on their dead bodies evdiently because they have constantly for no good reason turned all the wland the wild horse had over to robber baron cattle ranchers to destroy our national land with these cattle. eveybody knows these cattle bring on climate change and are horrible to the land. they destroy the water too. we dont n eed to have these cattle on our land. did you know those robber baron cattle ranchers are also cheap cheap cheap too and either pay low low rates for use of our nationaland OR DONT PAY AT ALL? WHY ARE WE DEALING IN SUCH AN EVIL ABUSIVE WAY TO THESE SYMBOLS OF OUR NATION? SAVE THE WILDL HORSESE. WRITE IN TO TELL THE GOVT THIS LOUSY AGENCY NEEDS SHUT DOWN. THEY ARE MONEYGRUBBERS DESTROYING OUR COUNTRY. STOP THE US BUREAU OF LAND MGT.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1199	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1200	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1201	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1202	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1203	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1204	We are joining an expensive trip to photograph the Onaqui Herd. Figure out how much you'll lose in tourism dollars if you get rid of these horses? Anyone done a study to determine how much money horse-tourism provides for Utah? I did for Virginia and it was quite decisive. When are you going to do your duty to protect horses (yes, with contraceptive measures) instead of caving to the wealthy cattlemen's lobby?	Refer to BLM's responses to Number 1, 3, and 1738.
1205	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1206	LEAVE THE HORSES ALONE - ITS THE LAW REMEMBER 1971????	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1207	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1208	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1209	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1210	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1211	Please do all in your power to protect these horses as part of our precious and irreplaceable heritage. We are losing endangered species all over the world and must not contribute to this loss.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1212	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1220	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1222	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1223	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1224	Wild horses are a part of our American heritage. They are being starved out of existence by ranchers who don't pay fair prices for grazing leases and who often abuse the land by overgrazing. Furthermore, BLM is disrupting social groups by rounding up herds and placing them in holding pens. Efforts to control herd size by using cruel techniques of sterilization of females and slaughtering unadopted horse are not acceptable. Please use every means possible to help our wild horses survive - they should have precedence when considering grazing leases and land mangement.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1225	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1226	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1227	America owes it's freedom to the horse don't shatter families and freedom.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1228	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1229	There are only 379 of these beautiful horses left. Do the right thing and save them. The fertility control plan is NOT burdensome; implement it and make everybody happy.. Don't let these horses go extinct on your watch, Safeguard them. That is your mandate.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1230	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1231	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1232	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1233	I most definitely oppose the slaughter and removal of wild horses anywhere. I think the BLM SHOULD LEAVE WELL ENOUGH ALONE! I THINK IT ALL BOILS DOWN TO, THEY WANT MORE LAND AVAILABLE FOR DEVELOPMENT! WE DONT NEED MORE DEVELOPMENT! TOO MUCH ALREADY! These poor horses have been on this earth as long as we have and they deserve the right to thrive as much as we do. We dont need to do away with them just to make more room for people & development!! Now! Thats my input!!!! LEAVE THEM ALONE!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1234	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1235	Please reconsider your plans for removal of the wild mustangs in Utah. These beautiful creatures are part of our heritage and history.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1237	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1238	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1241	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1242	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1243	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1244	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1245	Leave the animals be!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1246	This is our land and these beautiful horses belong there. America has spoken! Why are you against the people and in favor of ranchers? LEAVE THE HORSES ALONE! Seriously.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1247	The world is going crazy. Whts the matter with you fools? I live in Reno. Round ups don't work. These poor beautiful animals aka guise in holdong facilities for years with no protection from the elements and no hope of ever returning to the wild. Is this how we thank generations of animals that helped us conquer the west? If people want to see yet another example of idiotic land management and no moral responsibility they need look no further than people who round up the wild horses. You make me sick. Use your brains and find an alternative!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1248	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1249	Please use fertility drugs and the sound science that supports their use to manage our federally protected horses and their families. I am a US taxpayer and citizen Who cares about the humane treatment of our national treasures, wild horses and all wildlife I am watching closely and expecting nothing less than fair and ethical treatment for these national icons.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
1250	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1251	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1252	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1253	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1254	This active citizen is deeply disturbed at the news that these wild horses might be rounded up and eventually killed, which is a betrayal of this animal which helped to build our country and to whom we owe a deep debt of gratitude. They deserve to share our lands! Please treat them with the respect they deserve.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1256	I truly feel that this is a terrible thing for these iconic animals! Shame, pretty soon there will not be any animals left, just the human ones.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1257	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1264	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1265	For several years in the early to mid-2000s I was an active advocate for the wild horses. But the attitude, decisions, and actions of the BLM caused me such unbearable heartache that I had to leave that mission behind for my own sanity. Thankfully, other activists were braver than I, and they have stuck it out through many years of the BLM's senseless, conscience-less treatment of God's free-roaming horses. However, hearing that these innocent Onaqui horses could lose their freedom and families forever has brought me out of my quiet state to ask of my fellow Americans who wear BLM badges: GUYS, WHERE IS YOUR CONSCIENCE? WHERE IS YOUR HEART? WHERE IS YOUR SOUL? WHERE IS YOUR MIND? Each one of you who is responsible in any way for making, passing down, ordering, implementing, going along with this cruel and needless decision will have to face yourselves in the mirror eventually. And you will not like what you see. Not one of you government "servants" will be spared from the eventual suffering that must inevitably come from your own wrong-doing toward the horses and toward your fellow Americans. So why not change your ways while you still can? Why not acknowledge that God made all His children and all His creatures to live freely, harmlessly, peacefully, joyously--and then act the way that you were made to be? It seems to me you will be truly happy, truly free, truly in control of your lives, truly good neighbors, truly like your Creator, when you stop cursing the earth and its inhabitants--and instead start blessing it and all of us. Hey, just think: BLM could stand for the Bless and Love Management agency. Wouldn't that be heavenly for the horses, instead of hellish? Yup!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1266	Please STOP rounding up Wild Horses. Please allow the Onaqui and all Wild Horses to remain free on the range. It is time to clean up the mess you started not add more to the already over crowded mishandled Wild Horse population in holding pens. It is time to work with people that can help keep population under control with PZP. It is a fraction of the money spent on helicopters, holding pens, food, adoptions. Let's work smart and not hard! Work with the people that are for our beautiful Mustangs, not agains us. There are many people who are willing to volunteer their time to track and dart the horses. Give the Wild Horses the respect and dignity they deserve. Keep them Wild and Free!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1268	I Oppose the Utah Roundup of wild horses. And any Roundup of the wild horses!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1270	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1271	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1272	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1273	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1274	There must remain wild animals in the United States. They are the gate-keepers to the wild vegetations. Without them, the lands shall become increasingly barren. This is not an opinion- it is a fact. The horses are like the buffalo. Return them to the lands and let them roam freely from state to state and the continents and the states vegetations that have become extinct shall to return. The lands that are barren due to overgrazing shall once again become plentiful. This is a law of the planet and the solar system themselves. This is a function of our own Suns creation and making. Return the balances to the lands. Conservationists have already proven that by returning the wolves to the grasslands, the forests, and even returning other nearly extinct populations (such as the grizzlies) have indeed improved the vegetations. Creeks overflow with waters now. Listen to the wisdom. Profits bring only loss- and the losses shall be increased forest fires, earthquakes, floods and erosions.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1275	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1276	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1279	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1280	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1281	We need to stop harassing wildlife and acting AS IF they have no purpose,feelings or lives. They have families. They're a beautiful prt of nature,God Given to us. THEY'RE HELPLESS AGAINST PEOPLE. Leave them alone ! It's time to just leave the horses in peace.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1282	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1289	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1290	Please stop systematically destroying an American icon.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1291	This purposed action BLM is taking on America's, the People's Wild Mustangs is NOT in the interest to HELP nor benefit Wild Mustangs. All PubliC LANDS is set for All Wildlife NOT leasing for Private Interest. The removal is paid for by Public Funds at a cost not only to myself but the People of this Great Nation. This cost is a Waste of Taxpayer Money, as there is no Cost for Wild Mustangs to remain on Public Lands. This WAR on America's Wild Mustangs MUST STOP !	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1292	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1293	How could anyone do harm to these noble horses. These horses were here on this land for a long time before humans. What gives people the right to hurt them in some way or even kill them. Just wrong, wrong, wrong.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1294	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1295	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1296	Please choose humane birth control methods for these herds instead of killing/culling them. They are a family and none of them should have to die since there are other options available. Please do right by these American icons.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1297	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1309	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1310	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1311	Our wild horses should take precedence over tax-payer-subsidized rancher cattle grazing.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1313	Please just stop slaughtering these wild horses, burros, mustangs and all their colts! It's inhumane, cruel, mean and senseless! This needs to stop now!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1314	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1315	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1316	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1317	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1318	please leave the horses along, they are not hurting anyone!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1319	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1320	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1321	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1322	Do you realize how many thousands of people are entirely DISGUSTED with the ridiculous procedures you use to eliminate america's wild horse .. STOP THIS BS NOW ! you are supposed to be PROTECTING the environment and its wildlife , not DESTROYING IT .	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1323	Wild horses are a cornerstone and unending symbol of America's freedom(s) and spirit. Don't kill them, contain them, do anything but let them be. There's plenty of land, just suck it up and make ranchers pay for their livestock's feed. If you weren't feeding their profits then the horses would be of no interest. Stop making decisions based on money -- you make more or get more from them -- and think of what America is and what images are there that impose and impart the strength, will, and determination that make Americans who we are and other people want to be a part of it. Time has passed since the "Old West," but the spirit and the pride wild horses of America bring will never be lost.....unless you do it!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1324	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1325	Just say no & stop abusing our wild horses & burros.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1326	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1327	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1328	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1329	Please just leave the Wild Mustangs alone. Nature has a way of taking care of itself without human involvement. The Wild Mustangs are part of our heritage. They should be respected and appreciated, not slaughtered.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1330	The Onaqui herd is beloved throughout the United States. I live in Stamford CT and follow our wild horses and the turmoil that our government has put them through. The entire country is watching you. It is a disgrace and the BLM turning a blind eye is responsible for most of it. The greed and deception of this administration is sickening. REDUCE livestock grazing and keep our wild and free, wild and free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1331	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1332	BLM, the plan to move these wild horses from their, and MY, as a taxpaying citizen, native lands is tantamount to a crime. These horses are living beings, with familial structures. They survive free, but will be cast into that BLM hell if you capture and corral them. This entire movement of the government to move wild horses from their lands to allow ranchers and corporate resource exploiters to use this land is shameful and wrong. It is a structured planned genocide of these wild creatures, just as the government planned and executed, ongoing, a structured planned genocide of native people. The absolute horror these animals endure both in the round ups and the penning is heartbreaking. I strongly oppose any plan to remove these horses now or in the future.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1333	I oppose the removal of any and all wild horses from our lands.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1334	Protect all the horses	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1335	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1336	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1337	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1338	Please leave the Onaqui horses alone. They are a proud national resource.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1339	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1340	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1341	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1342	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1343	THIS IS WRONG!!! STOP HURTING WILD ANIMALS FOR RANCHERS!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1344	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1345	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1346	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1347	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1348	Please do not remove this herd!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1349	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1350	No horses slaughter.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1351	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1352	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1354	The BLM has been given the job of protecting America's wild horses and burros. Unfortunately, you are failing in this job. Instead of using the PCP fertility drug which has been proven effective, you choose costly helicopter round ups and placing the removed animals in holding facilities where they have no protection from the elements. If I had horses that had no protection from the elements, I would be accused of animal abuse. Why is the BLM any different? Because you don't work for these animals benefit, you work for the cattle industry. If horses need to be removed from the range, the cattle and sheep should be removed first. Horses were there long before the cattle and sheep. You constantly remove horses and replace them with cattle and sheep. How is this protecting our wild horses?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1355	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1370	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1371	As a veterinarian, I know fertility drugs work and can be used to control wild horse populations. I object to wild horse removals, having the horses sit in dry lots, when they can be managed on the range and thrive in their natural environment. I do not want my tax dollars used on removals, euthanasia, transport to slaughter, spay experiments or any other idea other than drug fertility control, as needed, on the range.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1372	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1374	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1375	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1376	Save the horses !!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1377	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1378	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1379	Please don't extiguish them from Utah. Wild horses deserve land more than unsustainable cows!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1380	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1381	Please protect these beautiful wild mustangs. Every creature deserves a safe life. People need to learn to share the land, not steal it. They were here before poeple were. Greed is NOT an excuss to slaughter any animal.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1382	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1383	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1384	Please leave these horses alone and let them live in peace!! Look at the mess you all have made of rounding up horses and sticking them in pens. Let them live free!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1385	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1394	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1395	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1397	let these horses roam free. Humans are always taking away from wildlife life. Its time to stop.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1398	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1400	No round ups, no holding pens, no slaughter Leave the Utah wild horses alone that is what the American people want! Public land is our land and we want the horses and burros on the land.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1401	Let's stop the killing of these beautiful animals . I think u should change the direction of your plans not the horses. This administration needs to learn to share .	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1402	Please keep these beautiful animals safe and alive!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1403	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1404	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1405	As a taxpayer, I strongly object to the use of my tax dollars to round up, sterilize, or slaughter any wild horses. As someone who cares about all living things, I demand that the BLM rescind it's plans to do any of the above!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1406	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1407	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1409	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1410	Wild horses are far more important to the spirit of our nation than cheap beef.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1411	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1412	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1413	You are voting on keeping or destroying our souls. Your soul. Please don't disregard the public's outcry!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1414	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1415	pls leave the wild horses and burro free .lets explore other options please .	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1416	I am asking that the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) NOT round up the Onaqui herd. If there is anything that we have learned is that nature does a much better job of managing itself than it does with humans interfering with it. If anything, the BLM should quit leasing out land to ranchers for pennies on a dollar. Cattle are MUCH harder on the environment than wild horses, who are lighter and are not ungulates. Lastly, I obviously do not want the horses sent to slaughter. It is a horrible waste of our taxes and a loss to opportunities to view and enjoy these wonderful beings.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1417	Leave the horses alone. stop the roundups.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1418	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1419	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1421	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1422	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1423	Please do not go ahead with the 379 horse round up! This is disgusting, shame on you people!!! somebody should round your dumb asses up bitch!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1424	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1425	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1426	This is so incredibly outrageous. BLM has been rounding up wild horses across America for a couple of years now and it is absolutely horrific. These animals are majestic and a symbol of America. They have roamed these lands way before Humans came into play needed the land for Greed. These animals and ALL animals have just as much right to roam this land as we do. Why is it that Humans destroy everything they come across on this planet. We can not continue to kill and destroy everything that this planet has to offer because it is going to run out of resources and generations to come will not be able to experience the beauty of God's creations because they will no longer occupy this planet. Resources will run out, wildlife will be gone, extinct and planet earth will die and all because of Greed. It's disgusting and we as a country should be embarrassed how we have over utilized and mis used the resources of this planet.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1427	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1428	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1429	<p>Melissa I am sending your back to you your email stating the BLM would be looking at alternatives for population control. Where did the alternatives go? Question why does the BLM continue to ignore the National Academy of Science recommendations of letting the herds seek their own equilibrium ? Lastly I spoke with an individual from Utah’s Division of Natural Resources and they stated the burn area from last summer’s fire is only approaching the extreme northern edge of Sage Grouse territory and the majority of Sage Grouse are much further south. I have literally 1000 of hours out there and have never seen any Sage Grouse any part of the Onaqui Herd’s HMA.</p> <p>Last question: bring the Onaqui herd down to 120 horses would put the herd’s population below Genetic Viability—WHY is the BLM going against Science on Genetic Viability? Why is there such a quick push to remove these horses?</p> <p>Respectfully, John Steele</p> <p>On Dec 1, 2017, at 1:47 PM, Wood, Mellissa <mrwood@blm.gov> wrote:</p> <p>Yes, you are correct. The 2017 fire (Onaqui complex) will not have livestock on it for the winter of 2017-2018. It also won't have livestock for the winter of 2018-2019 and 2019-2020. They are reducing the numbers they turn on the range, so no additional livestock are going to be displaced into other areas of the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>We will be looking at an alternative in our population control Environmental Assessment to not gather any horses. This would be in line with your comment on letting the horses seek an equilibrium.</p> <p>I found out more information about the 2016 fire you mentioned (this was the Government Creek fire). This one was on the border of sage-grouse habitat and near a sage-grouse lek. Utah State University has tracked the sage-grouse movements with a few radio and GPS collared birds. They are still working to analyze all of their data, but I put in an inquiry to the lead professor on the project. If you want to reach out to him directly, please feel free to do so. He should be able to answer any questions you have. His name is Terry Messmer (Terry Messmer <terry.messmer@usu.edu>). Thanks!</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1. Alternative C, the No Action Alternative, contains no gathering, and only treatment with PZP fertility control to control populations dynamics. Also see the Scoping Report (BLM 2018a) section for Alternative 12.
1430	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1431	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1432	Please protect the Mustangs and keep them in the wild ??	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1433	These horses are protected by federal law. They have a right to be on public land. The public wants the horse there and wants ranchers cattle removed.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1434	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1435	Wild horses are part of our heritage. As a horse lover, I am appalled that you would consider rounding up 90% of these horses in Utah. Please save our horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1436	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1437	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1438	STOP ROUNDING UP WILD HORSES! JUST STOP THE DESTRUCTION OF THE AMERICAN ICON. PZP, USE IT FOR GODS SAKE	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1439	These horses were Here before you. they have the right to the Land not the cattle!! They have the right to the land, to live free! Have some compassion for theses beautiful horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1440	Leave the Onaqui herd alone and wild!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1441	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1442	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1443	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1445	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1446	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1447	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1448	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1449	I am opposed to removing the wild horses so that cattle ranchers can use more of our public land. LEAVE THE WILD HORSES ALONE!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1450	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1451	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1452	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1454	The BLM is wasting taxpayer's money to commit an inhumane act. And all this to support the heavily subsidized Ranching Industry. Make no mistake, the Public is not dupe of all this misconduct and outright corruption. I want to throw up . This country has become a very sick and corrupt country.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1455	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1457	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1458	Please do not remove the wild horses from the Onaqui herd area. The horses appear to be healthy and in good condition and there is plenty of land for them in that area. I feel like the horses should stay.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1459	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1460	Why can't humans just leave our wildlife alone? Let them be and live their lives in contentment as God intended. I urge you to please reconsider removing these majestic creatures from their home.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1461	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1462	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1469	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1470	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1471	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1472	Please realize this is public land and not for the grazing benefit of ranchers. The horses have first priority to live their lives. The personal profit of ranchers should not be a consideration.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1473	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1474	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1479	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1480	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1481	It's time ranchers were forced to keep their herds on THEIR OWN LAND. Stop catering to one segment of society. Taxpayers don't want our tax dollars used to shrink the wild horses land or force a culling. This land belongs to the horses, not ranchers, and NOT the BLM! We don't want the horses killed or removed! DO THE JOB YOU ARE PAID TO DO AND DON'T KILL HORSES!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1482	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1483	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1484	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1485	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1486	Stop inhumane destruction of mustangs	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1487	Please don't.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1488	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1489	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1490	I oppose the proposed round up of the Onaqui horses by the BLM. I oppose this on the grounds that the BLM has not done a proper assessment of the herd health. The BLM is violating the 1971 Safe Act to protect all wild horses. The BLM has been asked numerous, numerous times to work with the public to manage these horses humanely. The BLM has ignored these pleas from #80% of the American people who want them protected. Leave our wild mustangs and burros in their own habitat! Work with the volunteers who will help manage them, authorize use of PZP birth control by injection on the mares, train the volunteers to dart inject these mares. Stop rounding up, injuring, killing these National treasures of ours; stop separating mares from nursing foals; stop separating these families if horses. You are wasting taxpayer dollars, my dollars! Leave the Onaqui horses where they are!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1491	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1493	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1494	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1495	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1496	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1497	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1499	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1500	Instead of always torturing the mustangs, part of our history, what about limiting the number of cattle encroaching their homes? If left alone, nature does an excellent population control - the predators, if they haven't been slaughter, will kill the old, weak, very young, and slow ones. When conditions aren't right to raise families - excesssive droughts - there will be fewer born. It isn't until people interfere, that there will be too many to be supported by the area. That means limiting the number of cattle allowed to graze the same area (since the cattlowners keep killing the coyotes, wolves, and mountain lions).	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1501	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1502	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1503	Allow the horses to remain on MY public lands. These lands are not just for grazing cattle for profit by ranchers.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1506	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1507	I am asking that you leave our American horses on our land. If cattle ranchers want to graze their cattle on public lands, they need to only have enough cattle to not disturb the mustangs and their habitat. The ranchers need to pay their grazing fees or not use public lands. Said fees need to be put forth to support the mustangs and their conservation, to also support responsible and humane birth control. The mustangs are as much a symbol of America as the bald eagle. It is public land that the mustangs have lived on far longer than the cattle. I, as an American tax-payer, request that you immediately cease in rounding up our horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1508	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1509	I totally oppose the removal of the Onaqui horses. Their historic legacy is part of our national identity and they deserve preservation and protection. We have lost so much of our history and grace as a nation we dare not lose more. In the name of humanity and our history I beg you to spare these symbols of our nation's Western legacy. Protect the Onaqui horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1510	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1511	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1512	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1521	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1522	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1523	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1524	I am writing to you in opposition of the Utah BLM plan to remove over 350+ Onaqui Wild Horses and instead would like for the BLM to work with the horse advocates/vets with increasing the number of contraceptive doses to humanely control their population growth. I am also firmly stating that I oppose the selling our wild horses to kill pens or using any painful methods of surgical contraceptions, such, as the ovarietcomy. I appreciate your work to keep our Wild American Horses free, healthy and secure as one of the primary wildlilf species on our lands. Thank you and I look forward to one day traveling to this part of our country.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1525	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1526	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1527	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1529	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1533	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1534	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1535	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1536	Plwase, please do not harm our beautiful will horses. They are a part of our history and we need them. So much of our history hast been destroyed so I am begging you to keep this part of it alive for those who have never seen or heard of these wonderful creatures.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1537	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1538	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1539	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1540	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1541	Make it harder!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1542	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1543	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1544	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1545	Manage the population with fertility control, not removals. I'm shocked at the inhumane treatment of wild horses by BLM.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738. PZP and GonaCon fertility control are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively.
1546	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1547	Enough damn it! Leave these horses alone! I am sick and tired of you wanting to continually “round up” wild horses. All you fucking do is kill or send to slaughter! Damn it leave them alone!!!! They have a right to be here too! Who the hell do you people think you are!!!! Karma is one Hell of a bitch and I cannot wait until it comes to get you and bites you in your ass, and takes a chunk of year everything in life. Just like you’re trying to take away everything from these animals. There is no reason on this earth for you to do this. Not one damn reason! You want to round up somebody round up those nut jobs in the White House and send them off. Then after you do will put you people on a boat and ship your asses out of here to goddamnit! Every freaking time I turnaround all you’re doing is killing killing killing killing! I am so sick of it! You want fake news, fake news is you people pretending you’re doing something good! You’re nothing but a bunch of assholes that really need one swift kick right in your head. Hey	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1548	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1549	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1550	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1551	American Wild Mustangs are our heritage, our wildlife, our duty to protect. BLM works on behalf of the American people. Americans do NOT want our precious wildlife removed from the wild let alone by inhumane procedures. Leave our prized and beloved herds to ROAM FREE!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1552	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1561	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1562	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1563	It is time for BLM to adhere to laws that were put in place in 1971. Stop doing the will of the ranchers and listen to the the taxpayers of our country. The ranchers need to graze their cattle on the land that they own - stop subsidized fees and welfare ranching. The squatters have remained on taxpayer land long enough. They have destroyed our federal lands by using our property as a for profit business - our federal lands are not for sale, and the taxpayer should have the right to decide how best to use our land. More than 70% of th U.S. population is opposed to wild horse slaughter, and caging these animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1564	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
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1579	I oppose the removal of the Onaqui horses. We want them to remain on OUR Public lands ... Thank-you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1580	These mustangs are a part of our National Heritage and must be protected. I realize the Cattle Lobbyists are pressuring to have these beautiful horses killed to keep the herds small so that their cattle can graze. As you know there is a movement to reduce the amount of beef consumed in this country, therefore it seems to be time to stop voting the bidding of these folks. Time for the BLM to move on to a kinder more humane method of population control of these National Icons and doing what is best for the horses not the lobbyist, the BLM or the bottom line.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1581	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1582	Please give me one good reason why the mustangs have to be removed from the range. It sounds to me that someone has decided that the horses are inconvenient. I don't think that's a good reason or excuse for getting rid of them. All animals on this earth are in our care. Getting rid of beautiful animals (or even ugly ones) is haughty, self-important, wasteful and arrogant.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1583	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1584	Leave these wild mustangs alone! They are symbols of the American spirit. They are wild and free, and they should remain so. We don't have to destroy everything that is beautiful about our country!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1586	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1587	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1588	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1589	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1590	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1591	Please stop harrassing these FEDERALLY PROTECTED wild horses and leave them on their FEDERALLY PROTECTED land. If you are going to remove the horses and burros from these lands, then ALL other livestock should not be allowed to graze there either! Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1592	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1593	Save the horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1594	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1595	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1596	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1597	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1598	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1599	Please do not harm these horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1600	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1602	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1603	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1604	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1605	They have a right to be there. Let 1 or more sanctuary take them !!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1606	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1607	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1608	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1609	The plan to remove the majority of this herd is cruel and irresponsible. Please do not proceed with the current plan.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1610	I have just learned of the BLM's plan to remove the vast majority of Utah's Onaqui herd. I am not surprised by this -- the BLM has crafted a legacy of failure and dishonor regarding its management of America's wild equines -- however, I continue to be disgusted by the bureau's lack of wisdom, integrity, and efficacy. I don't need to cite the facts, which you should know. Just count my voice as one more against your latest pathetic attack on the very creatures you've been charged with protecting. Please show some foresight and character by redrafting your approach to rely on HUMANE sterilization for management, rather than removal. Thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1611	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1612	I oppose the Onaqui wild horse removal.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1613	I did not realize that your first allegiance is the ranchers-----definitely NOT to Americans and to America's mustangs. You are the welfare agency for ranchers. They complain, you jump into action. WHAT IS WRONG WITH YOU??! YOU HAVE NO INTEGRITY! BLM, STOP WASTING MY HARD-EARNED TAXPAYER MONEY. GET HONEST. YOUR ACTIONS ARE UTTERLY SHAMEFUL AND DISGUSTING.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1614	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1617	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1618	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1619	Please stop treating these wild sentient horses which are a part of our history and heritage like prisoners. They like all of us deserve to live in peace with their freedom intact. The practice of rounding them up is inhumane. I don't even have the words to convey how wrong and barbaric this practice is. All life is sentient. These herds are families. Humans have degraded the animal kingdom and left them homeless and powerless and dependent on us or moved to slaughterhouses. The very little wild land we have left should be left for the wild horses that naturally inhabited it for centuries. This is a cover up for the many that will die unnneccesary and Inhumane deaths.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1620	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1622	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1623	I'm writing to ask you to please save the Onaqui herd.I can't understand why everyone wants to remove and/or slaughter these beautiful animals.Families will be broken. Please look into other ways and keep these iconic animals where they should be.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1624	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1626	Please consider fertility control for the Onaqui wild horses. They would be better managed by this method than rounding up & relocating almost 400 horses. We have the means to do this, we can't be lackadaisical about how me manage beautiful animals. We are not a third-world nation.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1627	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1628	Refrain from hunting down these horses. The BLM herding of these animals is cruel, sadistic, and contrary to good stewardship. Depriving wild horses of their freedom is a sign that the BLM has no idea how to deal with a situation, except by exercising an outmoded and nefarious, ultra macho , method that ultimately leads to death of wild animals. It is high time to stop this expensive nonsense.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1629	The wild horses of America have been culled enough. I respectfully request that you leave this band alone to live out their lives. A majority of Americans love these horses. It is only a small number who don't want them there.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1630	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1631	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1632	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1633	Those horses are not yours to murder. The American People have made their intentions clear and you have reasonable directives for achieving this goal. Perhaps 400 horses seem a lot to you, but I was shocked at the low number and have seen the conditions in the holding pens. Humans do not have the right to push out other species to whom this earth also belongs, and it has gone on for far too long. Soon we will have satellites which will emit fields which can feed everything made with amino acids (plants animals humans) on whole continents. All those stupid heart-clogging cattle will be fed and you will have destroyed one of our precious resources to fill your lunch box. Reprehensible. It is your mandate to do the right thing and now the right thing is for you to make sure those (easily and cheaply built and ready for manufacture blueprints will be utilized so that America will be great again and you will have been a part of its rebuilding. You may think that only the lives of humans will matter when you go to your judgement. I suggest you wise-up now because nothing is forgotten or hidden in this universe and I would not want to be in your shoes when you have to account for the lives of the beautiful beings which you betrayed.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1635	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1636	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1637	do not kill or capture our wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1638	I grew up in Utah and from my earliest memories these horses have been a part of my personal identity! I cherish them as an essential part of the land of Utah, and of who I am and everyone else who was born, grew up and was formed by the wonders of Utah. Harming these horses and removing them from their ancestral home feels very much like a violent assault upon myself and all that I hold dear! Please stop the destruction of our homelands and our fellow creatures - of myself and all I hold dear - now! Please!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1639	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1640	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1641	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1642	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1643	The BLM's management plan for the Onaqui horse herd is fiscally irresponsilble and inhumane. I urge you to sop it.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1644	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1645	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1646	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1647	Our Public lands are being leased at ridiculously low rates to ranchers who benefit. Were this not the case, and were the cost of leasing grazing land more in line with its actual benefit, the financial motivation for ranchers to use these lands, often exclusively, would diminish. That would leave more land for wild horses and other wild creatures. As a taxpayer, I am not pleased that my money is subsidizing these ranchers. I am very DIS-pleased that this policy, limits the access of other wildlife, especially wild horses, to grazing the land my taxes are supporting.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1648	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1650	Hi please do not haem these beautiful horses in any way INSTEAD protect them. Do no harm.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1651	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1652	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1653	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1654	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1655	I am opposed to the removal of the Onaqui wild horses near Salt Lake City, Utah. There is enough land for these horses to be left on the range & it is inhumane & cruel to round them up to put in indefinite holding pens. Please reconsider this unacceptable plan.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1656	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1657	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1658	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1659	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1660	It is short-sighted and cruel.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1661	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1662	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1663	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1664	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1665	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1666	American wild horses must be allowed to remain free to roam!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1667	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1668	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1669	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1670	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1671	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1672	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1673	These beautiful and peaceful creatures deserve to live in peace. There is NO NEED to remove ANY wild animals. Be it horses, deer, elk, etc. People need to visit and learn and watch the family values and the heirarchy and the rules wild animals live by. Maybe humans could learn a thing or two from these amazing animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1674	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1675	I am horrified that this herd of wild horses is under attack by the BLM. Please halt all plans to disrupt them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1676	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1677	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1678	Please respect the right to graze for these iconic horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1679	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1680	Please don't remove the Wild Horses	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1681	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1682	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1683	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1684	Please do not do this, It is cruel and unnecessary. Please leave our beloved wild mustang's and burrows in peace. Our children's, children deserve to see these majestic creatures in the wild free and beautiful not in books alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1685	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1686	Leave the poor horses alone. They deserve to be free and NOT killed just because some people want there land. Man does not need everything they want all the time and the animals need there space too.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1687	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1688	THERE IS PLENTY OF LAND FOR HORSES, BURROS AND CATTLE ALIKE !!!!! HORSES HAVE BEEN A PART OF AMERICA FOR A LONG TIME AND HAVE SERVED MAN IN TIMES OF BATTLE AS WELL AS PLEASURE. THERE IS PLENTY OF LAND FOR ALL TO GRAZE !!!!! NEVERMIND STERILIZATION !!!!! EVERY HORSE AND BURRO ALIKE HAS A RIGHT TO BE ABLE TO LIVE FREE...FREE FROM HELICOPTERS ROUDING THEM UP AND CAPTURE !! AND WORSE !!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1689	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1690	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1691	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1692	I urge you to protect OUR Wild Horses herds. Do this NOW, before its too late.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1693	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1694	I oppose the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90 percent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range. It's inhumane and unnecessary. Where are you going to put those horses? To slaughter? You have rounded up way too many horses without adequate proof that ranges were overcapacity and now the taxpayer is on the hook to take care of these horses. How stupid. Stop catering to the livestock industry. You should reduce grazing rights and increase land for these horses. It's their home not the home of livestock. The size of the Onaqui HMA should be increased to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress. Ranchers get enough from the federal government; they don't need more. There are alternatives to the horrific roundups such as fertility control and did you consider those? There are many people who love wild horses and they like to view and photograph them. What about the ecotourism benefit that the horses provide to nearby towns and cities? This doesn't seem like a well thought out plan. Please consider a better outcome for these horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1695	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1696	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1697	There are people who would love these horses. Please make them available for adoption and not killer buyers. Unless in this great country we can find the acerage for them to stay on without harassment.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1698	leave horses to graze let them live in peace and to enjoy their famlys it is cruel and evi to round them up.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1699	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1700	Wild horses should be managed on the range, on our public lands where they belong, not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed or sent to slaughter. This herd does not deserve this fate.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1702	Please give the horses to a shelter of some kind or some place in NM or OK who wants horses, but please do not hurt them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1703	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1704	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1705	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1706	I am saddened that you are thinking of taking most of these horses , when there are already 45,000 horses in holding. Please do not round up these horses. In stead use willing volunteers to sterilize these horses with darts. Also please reduce cattle on the land and let the wild horses stay.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1707	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1708	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1709	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1710	Please allow the Onaqui wild horses to remain on the range in Utah. Do not deprive them of their freedom and happiness.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1711	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1712	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1713	Wild horses have been so misused, abused, slaughtered. Any why? Because of human interference. It seems that every animal in this world has a tag in its ear, been trapped, been put in a zoo, and been taken to distinction because of humans. Your round ups are cruel, the slaughter trucks are hot, crowded and take themmany miles in unbearable conditions. This is neither necessary or humane. You have a law for animal abuse, but turn your head when it comes to horses. I can understand gelding some stallions but not slaughtering entire herds. Mustangs make wonderful riding horses under the right trainer. I find it absolutely appalling that you even consider wiping out entire herds. Put your damn heads together and come up with something feasible and stop doing what is easiest for you. I have a lot more to say but in this short time span, I will send this off and hope you read my words. No slaughter!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1714	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1715	Advocates have long endorsed the use of a fertility vaccine known as PZP as a humane alternative for addressing horse overpopulation and hoped the Onaqui project would serve as a showcase for the drug’s effectiveness. In the spring of 2018, the BLM rejected an offer from AWHC to increase the number of mares treated with birth control. AWHC offered to help document horses and build a WHIMS database. AWHC offered to bring in a team of experienced darters and even supply the PZP vaccine at no cost to the BLM or taxpayers. The BLM has not focused enough resources on vaccinating a sufficient number of horses with PZP to give birth control a chance to stabilize growth and reduce herd numbers over time.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1716	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1717	Removal of the horses from this land serves nobody, and you in the service of this land should know this. These horses need a viable and diverse genetic makeup to prosper, yet this bureaucracy would diminish the erd size to something you know very well is unsustainable. Leave this herd where it is and can roam and live as they are meant to. Do we need to kill off everything that is good and beautiful in this nation? Future generations need to know we are not barbaric in the way we manage our lands. They will look back and dispise us if we are not more humane to that which lives and shares our land. There is no greater symbol of freedom, no more beautiful site than to see a herd of wild horses running free across the land. We should always seek to preserve, not destroy any and all life.I implore this agency to keep these beings as a whole viable herd right where they are, living free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1718	I respectfully ask you to not round up this herd..youhave other options such as "birthcontrol' and I don't mean inhumane spaying of mares..the American people have ask and ask and the BLM doesn't seem to care what the citizens think..thank you.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1719	We've taken the land from the indians and now some feel the horses need to go..when you herd them into trailers..where will they GO?? Stock killers??? What;s next? Condos? Im do disgusted with the dicision's that are being made here? Whey not give the horse to someone that has the facility to take care of them or...Geld a precentage of the Stallions; I bet money would be donated and vet services could also be donated..think before you do the wrong thing.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1720	Please leave this Wild herd where it belongs. It does no one any good to round up and put in holding pens for years. Let them stay protected where they belong out on our Public Lands. Thank You	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1721	Do you realize that over 80% of Americans loathe the roundups & can't stand this organization? Wants it gone or replaced with people that has common sense. Been proven cattle do 100x more damage than the wild horses. They don't need to be steralized, they self sustain. Some of the foals don't make it, older or injured horses die.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1722	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1724	Please re-consider the decimation and removal of this herd of wild horses. I used to live out west and firmly believe they are a rich part of our heritage and were here long before us. The cruel method of slaughter skews the herd. They terrorize them and disrupt their family units. Horses have family units just as we do. Imagine their terror and fear. Please,please don't decimate their herd. Can't 205,000 acres support this size of a herd, not just 120 horses ? Allow the volunteers to use the darting method of birth control, not the cruel colposcopy method on the frightened mares in the field. Please respect our heritage and don't do this.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1725	<p>[1] The Utah Association of Counties (UAC) has reviewed and now wishes to comment in support of the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Population Control. UAC generally management of wild horse and burro throughout the state that limit populations to the appropriate management level (AML). Because this gather is intended to reduce the herd size to AML, we see it as a benefit to our member counties, especially Tooele County. Overpopulation of horses, any population that exceeds AML, has negative effects on other multiple uses and natural resources like grazing and wildlife habitat that negatively affect the economies and quality of life in our counties.</p> <p>[2] While UAC is generally supportive of the reduction of wild horse herds to lawful levels, we have some specific corrections for the EA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [a] The EA states that the riparian areas are degraded by livestock grazing and livestock water developments. (p.30-31).With a wild horse herd over AML, it is disingenuous to attribute riparian degradation to the managed cattle herds without any acknowledgement of the damage caused by unmanaged wild horses. • [b] The EA doesn’t consider the economic impacts of overpopulation to Tooele County or surrounding areas. CFR regulations require that BLM consider economic impacts of its alternatives, and the affected counties have a strong interest in making sure economic impacts are adequately considered. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o First, UAC asks BLM to fully consider the deleterious effect on the livestock industry from wild horse overpopulation by competing for AUMs in an arid environment. o Additionally, UAC calls on BLM to fully consider the long-term negative impacts of degraded ranges and riparian areas on wildlife related economic activities including hunting and fishing, especially in the no-action alternative. o Finally, UAC calls on BLM to fully consider the economic impacts to the recreation economy. No action will mean continued and growing overpopulation, which in turn means more rangeland and riparian degradation. Degraded ranges and riparian areas negatively impact the tourism economy from recreation based types of multiple uses. <p>[3] UAC appreciates the opportunity to provide comment and looks forward to continually working with the Bureau of Land Management to fulfill the multiple use and sustained yield mandate on Utah’s federally managed public lands. Overall, UAC supports BLM’s efforts to manage herd sizes to avoid disastrous impacts to arid resources. At the same time, UAC calls on BLM to more adequately explore in the EA wild horse overpopulation’s negative impacts on ecosystem health and, by extension, local economies. The continued growth of herds threatens the ability of this land to sustain multiple uses including wildlife habitat, recreation and tourism, and domestic livestock grazing.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	<p>[1] UAC’s comment is generally a position of support with modifications. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.</p> <p>[2][a] Section 3.3.4 was modified to add clarity to the existing state of riparian areas and the cause of degradation due to domestic livestock, wildlife and wild horses. BLM further distinguishes grazing systems associated with livestock versus that attributed to season-long access by wild horses.</p> <p>[2][b] Refer to the subheadings above: Livestock Grazing, the Wild Horse AML Range, and Vegetation Interaction; Wildlife/Greater Sage-Grouse; and Recreation/Tourism/Photography. Data were not provided that could be used in a quantitative manner; therefore the discussion is qualitative.</p> <p>[3] The BLM appreciates the time the UAC took to review the EA and provide additional information that could be used in making an informed decision.</p>
1726	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1727	I am horrified at this plan to remove our beautiful mustangs from their natural habitat. It would be money saved and anguish and pain spared to set aside some land for a SANCTUARY for the wild horses. There is plenty of room for all. The cattle barons should not have all the rights to graze our public lands and the wild horses and burros have NO rights! Whenever man ignorantly steps in to control nature it doesn’t turn out well. These magnificent horses herds are few and far between. My daughter is a mustang photographer and is hard-pressed to find these herds, and when she does they are small herds and healthy herds. Please leave them alone!!!!!!They have a RIGHT to live out their lives wild and free, not in “concentration camps”, with babies separated from their mothers, and families broken up and put in holding pens, with blaring sun and no shade, awaiting slaughter or sold to be turned into dog food. I thought we were a civil society. Rounding up and terrorizing and even slaughtering our mustangs is brutal and inhumane. I've seen the holding pens in LA..absolutley brutal. Please do not round up and remove these beautiful wild horses: our national heritage. I am sick just thinking about the pain and suffering of these horse families. They are intelligent animals and very family oriented.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1728	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1729	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1730	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1731	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1732	I oppose the Onaqui wild horse herd being rounded up from their home. Please manage them on the plains through fertility vaccines and other proven methods. As there is no over population of horses, please do the right thing and listen to the 80% of Americans who want wild horses protected.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1734	Please leave the horses where they are. Plenty of room! U have 250K acres!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1735	The Onaqui Wild Horse herd should be allowed to remain free on the open land that’s been, and should remain their home. I am against the removal of these wild horses from the only home they’ve ever known.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1736	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1737	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1738	<p>[1] Please accept the following comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed roundup and removal of wild horses who reside inside and outside the Onaqui Herd Management Area (HMA).</p> <p>[2] I oppose the BLM’s plan to roundup and permanently remove 390 horses – approximately 75 percent of the herd, and continue to remove horses over the next 10 years to reach the low Appropriate Management Level (AML) of just 121 horses. This is just too much and threatens the genetic viability of the herds.</p> <p>[3] This number is below the number of wild horses necessary to have in a herd in order to maintain genetic viability. The leading geneticist on wild horses, Dr. Gus Cothren says that there must be 150-200 breeding aged adults in order to maintain genetic viability. Removal down to this number is a recipe for disaster for this well known and much beloved herd.</p> <p>[4] Wild horses should be managed on the range, on our public lands where they belong, not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed or sent to slaughter. This herd does not deserve this fate.</p> <p>[5] I support the use of fertility control in this HMA and agree with lowering the age of the mares for initial treatment from 2, 3, and 4 years old to 1, 2, and 3 years old, and use of bait trapping for mares who are difficult to vaccinate via remote darting. Use of helicopter round ups is simply cruel and inhumane, more so with newborn foals that are barely a month old or less.</p> <p>[6] However, the BLM has failed to adequately use PZP in this HMA, even though the majority of horses are accessible for remote darting. The BLM must expand the PZP program in the Onaqui HMA to vaccinate enough mares to significantly reduce population growth rates and humanely reduce population numbers, as necessary, over time. The fact that BLM failed to employ PZP adequately despite having total accessibility to the mares is again a clear signal to the public that, one more time, BLM is artificially trying to portray PZP as ineffective in order to advance the agenda of certain persons close to the anti-animal and welfare ranching lobby industries, like Forrest Lucas and his subordinate Brian Klippenstein.</p> <p>[7] Regarding PZP effectiveness, the purposes of applying PZP treatment is to prevent mares from conceiving foals, but BLM acknowledges that long-term infertility, or permanent sterility, could be a result for some number of wild horses receiving PZP vaccinations. The rate of long-term or permanent sterility following vaccinations with PZP is hard to predict for individual wild horses, but that outcome appears to increase in likelihood as the number of doses increases (Kirkpatrick and Turner 2002). Permanent sterility for mares treated consecutively 5-7 years was observed by Nuñez et al. (2010, 2017). In a graduate thesis, (2014) suggested that repeated treatment with as few as three to four years of PZP treatment may lead to longer-term sterility. Repeated treatment with PZP led long-term infertility in Przewalski’s horses receiving as few as one PZP booster dose (Feh 2012). If some number of mares become sterile as a result of PZP treatment, that potential result would be consistent with the contraceptive purpose of applying the vaccine.</p> <p>[8] In some mares, PZP vaccination may cause direct effects on ovaries (Gray and Cameron 2010, Joone` et al. 2017b). Joone` et al. (2017a) noted reversible effects on ovaries in mares treated with one primer dose and booster dose. In studies with native ZP proteins and recombinant ZP proteins, Joone` et al. (2017a) found transient effects on ovaries after PZP vaccination in some treated mares; normal estrus cycling had resumed 10 months after the last treatment. Kirkpatrick et al. (1992) noted effects on ovaries after three years of treatment with PZP. Observations at Assateague Island National Seashore indicate that the more times a mare is consecutively treated, the longer the time lag before fertility returns, but that even mares treated 7 consecutive years did eventually return to ovulation (Kirkpatrick and Turner 2002). Other studies have reported that continued applications of PZP may result in decreased estrogen levels (Kirkpatrick et al. 1992) but that decrease was not biologically important, as ovulation remained similar between treated and untreated mares (Powell and Monfort 2001). Permanent sterility for mares treated consecutively 5-7 years was observed by Nuñez et al. (2010, 2017). In a graduate thesis, Knight (2014) suggested that repeated treatment with as few as three to four years of PZP treatment may lead to longer-term sterility, and that sterility may result from PZP treatment before puberty. Skinner et al. (1984) speculated about PZP effects on ovaries, based on their study in laboratory rabbits, as did Kaur and Prabha (2014), though neither paper was a study of PZP effects in equids."</p> <p>[9] Curiously enough, a search for peer-reviewed bibliography on PZP effectiveness reveals excerpts like the one above, extracted from BLM’s own documentation (e.g. https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/projects/nepa/106147/144352/177910/EA_Eagle_Chokecherry_PrelimEA_508.pdf) thus not only confirming that PZP is so effective that may lead to permanent sterilization, without having to resort to monstrous, inhumane Frankenstein experiments like the Oregon’s BLM is also proposing for the Warm Springs HMA, but also that simply Oregon BLM and the proponents of this massive uncalled wiping out of horses at Onaqui HMA are simply wrong and acting in a misguided, mala fide fashion, deliberately trying to deceive the public and breach the trust that Americans placed on BLM through the mandate expressed by means of the Wild, Free Roaming Horses and Burros Act</p> <p>[10] There had already been volunteers working on administering fertility control to maintain the numbers of this herd. Yet the BLM proceeds to plan to roundup and remove all these horses anyway. The BLM should work with volunteers and use fertility control to maintain the numbers of wild horses on the range.</p> <p>[11] Continuing with my reasoning to oppose the proposed removal scheme, the EA is inadequate because it failed to consider a number of critical impacts and alternatives. In order to comply with NEPA, the final EA must include the following alternatives as revisions to the Proposed Action:</p> <p>a) Manage the population with fertility control, not removals in accordance with the recommendations of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) in its 2013 report. Immediately vaccinate a sufficient number of mares yearly to attain zero population growth in the shortest amount of</p>	<p>[1] Introductory paragraph. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2-5] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p> <p>[6-9] PZP and GonaCon-Equine are considered in Alternatives A & C and B, respectively. Refer also to BLM's response to Numbers 1, 710 and 1930.</p> <p>[10] Fertility control is one component of Alternatives A, B and C. BLM is continuing the volunteer program to treat mares in the Onaqui HMA and is increasing the number of volunteers that are trained to administer the fertility control vaccine.</p> <p>[11] Refer also to BLM’s responses to Numbers 1 and 36.</p> <p>[a-e] BLM considered but eliminated these or a combination of these alternatives. Refer to the rationales provided in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018). EA at Section 2.5.</p> <p>[f] An AML range was established for the HMA, where the upper number represents the maximum population for which thriving natural ecological balance would be maintained. The lower range represents the number of animals to remain in the HMA following a wild horse gather in order to allow for a four year gather cycle and prevent the population from exceeding the established AML between gathers. “We interpret the term AML...to mean that “optimum number” of wild horses which results in a thriving natural ecological balance and avoids a deterioration of the range” (109 IBLA 119 API 1989).</p> <p>[g] Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1</p> <p>[h] BLM’s primary goals and objectives are to manage wild horse numbers at the approved AML numbers that are necessary to maintain a thriving herd as well as meeting the capacity thresholds of the rangeland resources. This information is contained in the EA at several places including but not limited to sections 1.3, 1.3.1, 3.3.1, and Appendix G. BLM includes discussions related to the photography commercial permit activity (EA at Sections 3.3.2, 4.2.1.2, and 4.2.3.2). While lowering wild horse numbers to be within the approved AML would reduce the actual numbers visitors could photograph during a visit, wild horses will still be present within the HMA under all of the action alternatives. If the holders of the photography commercial permits/SRPs find that they are no longer receiving economic value, then the SRP authorizations can be cancelled by the holder or the BLM.</p> <p>[12] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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	<p>time;</p> <p>b) Maintain the current wild horse population without removals by implementing reductions in livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a). The BLM has a statutory mandate to protect wild horses, while livestock grazing is permitted only at the discretion of the Interior Department. Livestock grazing is not required to fulfill the agency’s “multiple use” mandate. It is far more cost effective to curtail taxpayer subsidized commercial livestock grazing in this area than it is to permanently remove wild horses from the range.</p> <p>c) Increase the AML in this HMA to, at minimum, accommodate the current population level, making forage adjustments, if necessary, pursuant to CFR 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a) to ensure that wild horses are given equitable usage of our public lands;</p> <p>d) Restore Herd Area territory to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress;</p> <p>e) Designate the Onaqui HMA as a National Wild Horse Range due to its proximity to Salt Lake City, the accessibility of the Onaqui herds for photographing and wild horse viewing, the popularity of this herd with visitors and tourists and the economic benefits of the Onaqui horses to the local area;</p> <p>f) Limit removals to no more than 50 per a year and manage the population at the high AML. The AML range was established to allow the population to grow in the years between roundups; if the population is being managed properly with PZP fertility control, then an AML range is unnecessary.</p> <p>g) Welfare impacts to the Onaqui horses given the BLM’s request to Congress to lift killing/slaughter bans;</p> <p>h) Social and economic impacts of the proposed removal of 75 percent of this wild horse herd on the recreational users of these public lands who visit this area specifically to view and photograph the Onaqui horses.</p> <p>[12] These public lands belong to ALL Americans, and all Americans should have a say in their management. Please give serious consideration to these comments and start applying PZP as it should be instead of trying to deceive public opinion to promote private interests agendas. Thank you.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	
1739	<p>First, thank you for giving this comment period time so that all Americans can comment regarding the horrible thing that is being planned for the Onaqui Horses.</p> <p>My main concern for doing this roundup is that taking out 90% of the horses in Onaqui HMA would be very dangerous as the horses would become very close in genetics. Consider this aspect before you continue to make plans for this roundup.</p> <p>Utah is a big state and it could hold more horses than what is has at the moment. What would be the use for taking out 90% of the horses when there is enough space to hold all of them? If the land cannot sustain the natural amount of wild horses, how is it that it can sustain thousands of head of livestock for six months or more in a year?</p> <p>Wild horses and burros have a federally protected right to remain on their home ranges and this proposed action compromises those rights.</p> <p>“That Congress finds and declares that wild free-roaming horses and burros are living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West; that they contribute to the diversity of life forms within the Nation and enrich the lives of the American people...”</p> <p>Wild Free-Ranging Horses and Burros Act of 1971</p> <p>With the above reasons stated, I am strongly against these roundup plans occurring any further; they are cruel and abusive, and should be illegal.</p> <p>If these amazing animals become extinct, America will have lost one of its greatest symbols of freedom and family--mustangs and burros.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1740	Please reconsider removing these wild horses. What a treasure to lose. What an atrocious way to be human. Please.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1741	Please please leave the mustangs on the range. All the reasons have been said before. Please don’t let them fall on deaf ears.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1742	My dear dad, a hunter, fisherman, and hiker always said, "don't sh*t where you eat." If there is food for the soul of this country it is our beautiful open lands and the horses that roam them, as is all our national forests, preserves and monuments and the animals who live there. This is what separates us from countries that rape the landscape for mining, destroy ancient sites for oil, and kill animals with helicopters for some misguided sense of "sport." It breaks my heart to see the BLM do nothing BUT sh*t where we all eat, destroying the very things that feed the soul of this nation, for short term gain. Secretary Zinke and the entire department should be ashamed of how they treat the priceless gift they have been entrusted to protect and in rounding up these horses they continue sink farther and farther past how low I thought it was possible to go. It is with anguish and utter despair that I ask you to stop this and everything you plan to do. You do not have the interests of the American people at heart.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1743	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1744	Please leave the horses alone they can survive you were sworn to protect at the rate you are going there is not going to be any wild horses left	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1744	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.

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1745	<p>It would be a great public loss to have the Onaqui horses removed, given the amount of people that enjoy visiting and photographing them on the range. A 2013 National Academy of Sciences report urged wider use of PZP for controlling herd sizes.</p> <p>When Jim Schnepel a Utah volunteer was darting the Onaqui mares in early 2017, I was optimistic that this popular HMA with its accessible horses could be a showcase for the PZP vaccine and the drugs effectiveness. Seeing the Onaqui HMA as a unique opportunity to effectively dart mares in the wild, I personally got certified from the Science and Conservation Center and contacted Tami Howell and Jim Schnepel to volunteer as a collaborating partner and help document and dart the Onaqui horses.</p> <p>In the spring of 2018, the BLM rejected an offer from AWHC to increase the number of mares treated with birth control. AWHC offered to help document horses and build a WHIMS database. AWHC offered to bring in a team of experienced darters and even pay the cost of the PZP vaccine. This was at no cost to the BLM or taxpayers. PZP is proven to be the most humane and cost effective way to manage our wild horses, with a goal of eliminating the need for future round ups and removals where possible.</p>	<p>BLM discusses it use of PZP (or an alternative to PZP) in the HMA in the EA at multiple places (including sections 1.5, 1.6.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 4.2.1.1, 4.2.2.1, 4.2.3.1 and Appendix E. Additional information is contained in the Scoping Report. BLM remains committed and is willing to work with groups to continue to increase the fertility control program for the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1746	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1747	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1748	Please Do Not Remove These Magnificent Horses. They Must Remain Together And Safe. It Seems All Animals Are Being Eliminated Species By Species. We Will Have Nothing Left! Humans Must Share The Land With Wildlife. Horses Are Amazing And Beautiful. They Have Been On This Earth Way Before Any Of Us. There Must Be Other Ways Considered To Solve Any Problem. Putting All The Wildlife At Risk Or Killing Them Is Not A Solution...It Is A Not A Plan....Please Consider Every Humane Means Possible.Please.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1749	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1750	My comment to the BLM as a taxpayer, owner of cattle and wild horses (adopted from the BLM) and avid explorer of US parks regarding this and other wild horse management practices is PLEASE let the horses remain in their habitat and remove cattle or other livestock grazing on public lands which are competing with limited resources. People are willing to pay to see horses and wildlife in nature, not livestock, so if funds are needed please consider ways to increase tourism in these areas instead. There are wild horse action groups who may also be able to help the BLM with other options...perhaps through meetings with BLM folks the "best" practices for the horses can be realized. If there are not enough resources to support the wild horses and there are no natural predators or competing livestock that should be removed instead, only then if horses will starve otherwise should removal "management" practices be considered. Thank you for your consideration of my requests.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1751	I have never seen a wild horse just as most Americans haven't. Nothing says wild America more than the horse. It would be cheaper to leave these animals in place and feed them than to remove and feed them. I am NOT interested in going on vacation to see cows feeding on land that belongs to the American tax payer. I live in Wisconsin and can walk and see ALL of the cows I'd like to see.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1752	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1753	It appears the BLM is still under the impression that "management" only means round up & warehouse. I was under the impression that the budget for this year was going to limit the roundups! 206,000 acres and less than 300 horses are "too many"? This herd is one of the most photographed (which means SEEN by more people) and enjoyed by far more people than whatever is being planned for the HMA when there are fewer horses. Putting more effort into a contraceptive program would not be that difficult and it sure would mean a lot to the horses that could remain free! It also would be less expensive than a roundup and putting them in pens. Removing wild animals from their natural habitat is a process that should be banned!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1754	<p>[1] There are estimated to be 450 adult wild horses plus foals currently living in the area, and this removal would take 379 of them, bringing the herd size down to low Appropriate Management Area for this herd, which is 121 wild horses.</p> <p>[2] This number is below the number of wild horses necessary to have in a herd in order to maintain genetic viability. The leading geneticist on wild horses, Dr. Gus Cothren says that there must be 150-200 breeding aged adults in order to maintain genetic viability. Removal down to this number is a recipe for disaster for this well-known and much beloved herd.</p> <p>[3] Wild horses should be managed on the range, on our public lands where they belong, not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed or sent to slaughter. This herd does not deserve this fate.</p> <p>[4] There had already been volunteers working on administering fertility control to maintain the numbers of this herd. Yet the BLM proceeds to plan to roundup and remove all these horses anyway. The BLM should work with volunteers and use fertility control to maintain the numbers of wild horses on the range.</p> <p>[5] If the BLM does remove any wild horses from this herd, they must not skew the sex ratio to 60% stallions v. 40% mares. The BLM wrongly assumes that more stallions and less mares means a lower birth rate. What its really means is more instability in the family structure, more fighting, less safety for the horses. Wild horse naturally maintain a 50% stallions 50% mares balance. This must be maintained for the health and safety of the herd.</p> <p>[6] The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses, and this must be stopped.</p> <p>[7] Some other factors that must be considered is that wild horse viewing and photographing is an important activity for this herd, and a massive removal will severely impact these recreational uses by the public. This area should not be managed primarily for livestock grazing, instead livestock grazing should be greatly reduced. The removal of these horses will greatly impact the county's tourism income from people traveling to visit these wild horses. The costs to roundup and remove these wild horses plus the additional cost of warehousing them in holding facilities and feed lots is far greater than managing them on our public lands.</p> <p>[8] The last major concern that must be taken into account is what will ultimately happen to these horses that are rounded up and removed? Right now Congress is considering BLM's own plans to destroy thousands of healthy wild horses, ship them overseas, and send them to slaughter. The 2019 Appropriations Bill in the House calls for that. Given that our wild horse's fate is hanging in the balance, these wild horses in the Onaqui herd would be much safer left in the wild, in their homes.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	<p>[1] Introductory paragraph. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2-3] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p> <p>[4] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1738.</p> <p>[5] At BLM's 4700 Wild Horses and Burros Management Handbook Section 4.4.6.4 Management Actions: If the recommended minimum wild horses herd size cannot be maintained due to habitat limitations (e.g., insufficient forage, water, cover, and/or space) or other resource management considerations (e.g., T&E species), a number of options may be considered as part of an appropriate site-specific NEPA analysis to mitigate genetic concerns:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximize the number of breeding age wild horses (6-10 years) within the herd. • Adjust the sex ratio in favor of males to increase the number of harems and effective breeding males. • Introduce 1-2 young mares every generation (about 10 years), from other herds living in similar environments. <p>[6 - 8] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and Numnber 36.</p>
1755	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1756	The wild horses need to be left on the land. The livestock do not take precedent on federal lands. Ranchers should not be allowed to graze there for free. The herd should be maintained at 450. There should be no round ups, no shiping horses overseas, no slauger of America's wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1757	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1758	The amount of acreage available to these horses is more than enough to sustain them. I do not appreciate you using my tax dollars to eradicate symbols of the American West. They have more right to the PUBLIC lands than the ranchers that line your pockets.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1759	I am strongly opposed to removal of the Onaqui wild horses that is being considered for Fall 2018. These horses are an integral part of the ecosystem of these public lands. The horses belong to the American People and deserve to remain where they can easily survive on theae open lands. The American public clearly supports allowing our wild horsea to remain protected & secure on our public lands. The public has clearly expressed this in numerous surveys over time. We do not want the landa that belong to the public "leased" to cattle ranchers for grazing. Please leave America's wild horses in peace on their protected lands.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1760	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1761	Please stop your inhumane and irresponsible round ups of any wild horses and burros. The majority of the residences want the wild horses and burros free and wild!! Please stop your horrible round ups! Why do you think it's ok to take away freedom and break up families??? The programs the advocate groups have will save millions of taxpayer dollars and by rounding up the wild horses and burros you are going against what the people want! STOP!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1762	The Onaqui Herd of wild horses should not be reduced by 90% to give grazing rights to ranchers. Appropriate professional, scientifically trained, land managers who are not politically biased, should be in charge of the issue. I also believe that rounding these horses up by helicopter is cruel and unnecessary, and that keeping the horses in BLM pens is also cruel, unnecessary and costly. I understand that any species can overpopulate and may need some culling. However the information that I have been able to find suggests that ranchers wanting to graze more cattle is the driving factor for this effort. The land belongs to ALL Americans, not just ranchers who live in the area. I have visited the area and know that some herds are remote, but some may present opportunities for tourism and recreation.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1763	<p>[1] On behalf of The Cloud Foundation, a 501(c)3 nonprofit corporation, and our hundreds of thousands of supporters through the United States, we would like to thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area Population Control Environmental Assessment.</p> <p>[2] It is alarming to us that a roundup of this size has been proposed. We implore you to consider that removing 379 wild horses from this HMA is a devastating proposal that will wreak havoc on this herd. This would be a 75 percent decrease in herd size, making this herd no longer genetically viable, and it would be tragic for the people who enjoy viewing this very popular herd in the wild and know individual band stallions, mares, and their offspring.</p> <p>REMOVAL CONCERNS</p> <p>[3] First and foremost, we are concerned about any proposed removals on any herd management area, nationwide, after the National Wild Horse and Burro Advisory Board (NWHBAB) meeting on October 18-19, 2017 in Grand Junction, CO. There, the board made it quite clear that mass killing is still very much on the table as an option for clearing out the horses in short- and long-term holding. The removal of 379 Onaqui HMA wild horses could condemn many of them to an uncertain, and potentially lethal, fate.</p> <p>[4] Additionally, the proposed removal of 379 horses will render the Onaqui HMA herd genetically nonviable. This proposed removal to the low appropriate management level of 121, as previously stated, would be about a 75 percent reduction in herd size. Equine geneticist, Dr. Gus Cothran, has long stated that in order to remain genetically viable, herds must be 150-200 animals in size at a minimum. The National Academy of Sciences Report from 2013 cites Dr. Cothran’s work as a helpful tool for BLM management of herds.</p> <p>“The Cothran studies are excellent tools for BLM to use in managing herds to reduce the incidence of inbreeding...”</p> <p>National Academy of Sciences 2013 Report: Using Science to Improve the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Program – A Way Forward (p.192)</p> <p>[5] Based on information shared by the Wild Horses of America Foundation (WHAF) (a group partnering with the BLM to deliver PZP treatments to the Onaqui herd), these horses operate in five distinct groups with limited interaction as they occupy different geographic areas within the HMA. Each of these five groups contains less than 180 animals, the smallest of which has as few as 30 members. To achieve low AML on this HMA, BLM would not only render the entire herd genetically non-viable, but could put the smaller groups into a genetic free fall.</p> <p>[6] This EA states the proposed roundup is an effort to “protect rangeland resources and to prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of the public lands associated with excess populations of wild horses...” After our conversations with members of WHAF who spend a good deal of time on the Onaqui HMA, we feel it would be extremely difficult to point to any direct damage to the land that could be resolved only by reducing the number of horses. If, in the eyes of the BLM, there are legitimate problems with the health of the range, it would be critical to take a look at all of the users of the land and their relative impacts – including cattle and sheep. It is concerning to us that no livestock grazing AUM usage data was shared in this EA, as is common for other EAs prepared for other HMAs.</p> <p>[7] We believe the Onaqui AML could be and should be higher. A low AML of 121 is not a genetically viable number. The current BLM population estimate of 500 horses throughout the HMA translates to 410 acres per horse on the 205,394-acre range, and provides the wild horses with an adequate forage base while leaving resources for other wildlife, including critical habitat for greater sage grouse. Additionally, we feel that the original herd area territory should be restored to active management status, increasing the size of Onaqui HMA from 205,394 to 507,681 acres, which was the land originally designated for this herd by Congress. If these horses had all 507,681 acres available to them, the land would provide more than 1,000 acres per horse.</p> <p>[8] SAGE GROUSE HABITAT</p> <p>This scoping notice cites the preservation of sage grouse territory as mandated under the Utah Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment (ARMPA) as a significant reason for a massive roundup. However, the area of the Onaqui HMA where wild horses roam is not an area of high sage grouse activity , and the sage grouse territory only overlaps about 50 percent of the HMA, according to the map provided by the BLM entitled “Onaqui Mountains Wild Horse & Burro Areas with Sage Grouse Habitat” (see attached). It is also not listed as a High Priority Sagebrush Focal Area in ARMPA. Instead it is listed as a Priority Habitat Management Area (PHMA) (see attached). In ARMPA, it is stated that using fencing to separate sage grouse territory from livestock on the land is an acceptable way to enhance the habitat, specifically in PHMA.</p> <p>ARMPA, Section 2.2.4:</p> <p>MA-LG-9: “... Where recovery or maintenance is not occurring... reduce pressure on riparian or wet meadow vegetation used by GRS in the summer by adjusting grazing management practices (e.g., use fencing...)”</p> <p>MA-LG-14: “In PHMA, design new structural range improvements to have a neutral effect or conserve, enhance, or restore GRS habitat.... Structural range improvements, in this context, include but are not limited to: ...fences, exclosures...”</p> <p>We believe this would be an effective approach for wild horse use, as well. This is a much less costly approach than a massive roundup putting horses in short- and long-term holding, which cost American taxpayers over \$47 million in FY17. It is also more humane, considering the potential for destruction of wild horses and burros in short-and long-term holding. According to cost figures shared during the BLM presentation at the NWHBAB meeting in Grand Junction, entitled “Wild Horse & Burro Program Overview,” the cost of putting 379 additional horses in short-term holding would be \$717,958.65 per year at \$5.19 per horse per day, and long-term holding would be \$272,519.95 per year at \$1.97 per horse per day. Congress has indicated to the BLM that there must be a reduction in holding costs for these wild horses and burros. It seems counterintuitive to add more wild horses to holding through a roundup, thereby increasing holding costs,</p>	<p>[1] Introductory paragraph. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1.</p> <p>[3] The Board can and does advise the BLM in potential future actions. This does not mean the BLM has to/or will follow the recommendations of the Board. The Action, as voted on by the Board in Grand Junction in October, would require legislative action, which the BLM cannot be a part of. As such, it is speculative and beyond the scope of this document.</p> <p>[4] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1 and Numner 1754.</p> <p>[5] While the horses do spend time in different areas of the HMA, there is nothing to prevent interchange between the groups. Horses that are usually found around Davis Mountain have been observed by BLM to go down near Simpson Springs and spend time in the area during the year.</p> <p>[6] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1.</p> <p>[7] An AML range was established for the HMA through the Wild Horse Appropriate Management Level and Herd Management Area/Herd Boundary Environmental Assessment (UT-020-2002-100) (February 2003). The upper limit of AML represents the maximum population for which thriving natural ecological balance would be maintained. The lower range represents the minimum number of animals to remain in the HMA following a wild horse gather.</p> <p>“We interpret the term AML...to mean that “optimum number” of wild horses which results in a thriving natural ecological balance and avoids a deterioration of the range” (109 IBLA 119 API 1989). Monitoring since establishment of this AML range indicates that it continues to be valid and no data exists to indicate that increases to the AML range is warranted at this time. Instead, monitoring data indicates that range condition is being adversely impacted by excess horses and their removal from the range is necessary. In arid conditions such as those found in Onaqui HMA, each animal requires many hundreds of acres to be supported through the year, particularly when considerations are made for the other mandated uses of public lands that BLM must allow for under its multiple use management mandate.</p> <p>[8] The USFWS (2013) has identified free-roaming equids as a “present and widespread threat” to the Sheeprock sage-grouse population.</p> <p>[9] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1738.</p> <p>[10-11] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1.</p>

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	<p>when there is another, more cost-effective option indicated in the very amendment the BLM cites as a reason for this roundup. It also seems illogical to propose a massive reduction to a wild horse herd size on the Onaqui HMA in the name of sage grouse protection when the BLM recently announced intent to reexamine its sage grouse protection plan across 10 western states, including Utah.</p> <p>“On October 5, the Department of the Interior announced its intention to revisit land use plans in 10 western states in order to improve greater sage-grouse conservation...”</p> <p>https://www.blm.gov/press-release/blm-seeks-public-input-greater-sage-grouse</p> <p>“The BLM intends to consider the possibility of amending... the BLM land use plans that were amended or revised in 2014 and 2015 regarding Greater Sage-Grouse conservation in the states of California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, Oregon, Wyoming, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Montana.”</p> <p>https://eplanning.blm.gov/epl-front-office/eplanning/planAndProjectSite.do?methodName=dispatchToPatternPage&currentPageId=134121</p> <p>On October 5, 2017, the BLM announced 10 million acres in six western states including Utah will not be protected as sage grouse focal areas so that mining can proceed on that land. It does not seem logical that this herd will be decimated by the BLM in the name of sage grouse protection, when the extremely destructive practice of mining will be allowed by the same agency on sage grouse habitat.</p> <p>The U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS) issued the findings of a study regarding the endangered nature of sage grouse in 2012. Dr. Jeff Manning gave a presentation at the NWHBAB meeting in March of 2013 in Oklahoma City, OK regarding wild horses and sage grouse. According to eyewitness accounts from that presentation, Dr. Manning stated that the USFWS identified habitat loss caused by the following factors as top threats to sage grouse:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Energy development2. Transmission right of ways3. Fire4. Invasive species5. Commercial development <p>The USFWS does not cite wild horses as one of the top five threats to sage grouse. Even former BLM Division Chief Joan Guilfoyle, at that same meeting in Oklahoma City, said, “There is a perception that wild horses have a big effect on sage grouse. We want to deal with reality, not perception.”</p> <p>[9] ON-RANGE MANAGEMENT</p> <p>We feel that more emphasis should be placed on applying fertility control to the Onaqui Herd. The BLM for the Onaqui HMA is fortunate to have a partnership with the WHAF, and yet the partnership is not being used to its full potential. We have been told that the WHAF is prepared to enact a robust fertility control program. It seems short-sighted to opt for a costly roundup with subsequent holding costs when management on the range is available to you.</p> <p>Members of the WHAF indicate the unofficial goal for FY18 is to dart 60 mares. We feel that in order to stabilize and reduce the horse population, this number should increase to at least 80-90 mares.</p> <p>With this in mind, the cost of PZP treatments should be accurately discussed. \$2,500 is often shared as the cost of treating a mare with PZP. However, this includes rounding up the mare, treating her, holding the mare for a few weeks before treating her again, and then releasing her. Volunteer darting of mares in the field costs about \$30 a dose with native PZP, and about \$400 per dose for the long-acting, highly successful fertility control vaccine, PZP-22.</p> <p>We believe a cost-effective, well-implemented population control plan for Onaqui is far cheaper and more humane than a roundup, which will incur associated holding costs for 379 wild horses. This type of management has consumed two-thirds of the BLM budget, over \$47 million in FY17. We understand it takes time for PZP to begin to control the population growth of these herds, but the current population, allowing 410 acres per horse, would appear to allow for a long-term, cost-effective, on-the range management solution.</p> <p>[10] THE VALUE OF WILD HORSES</p> <p>The wild horse herd on the Onaqui HMA is extremely popular with wild horse advocates, photographers, and tourists. These horses provide an economic benefit through tourism dollars, both locally in Tooele County and to the entire state of Utah. The Onaqui Mountain Herd is regularly documented by the WHAF on their Facebook page, which has about 14,000 active followers interested in the health and wellbeing of these animals.</p> <p>Furthermore, these horses are a federally protected wild species, and are credited with symbolizing the historic and pioneer spirit of the American West.</p> <p>“That Congress finds and declares that wild free-roaming horses and burros are living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West; that they contribute to the diversity of life forms within the Nation and enrich the lives of the American people...”</p> <p>Wild Free-Ranging Horses and Burros Act of 1971</p> <p>They are a beautiful wildlife species that deserve the opportunity to live their lives on their homeland, with their families. BLM has tools at their disposal to manage this population on the range without removing them.</p> <p>[11] Recommendations:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. We propose an emphasis on population growth suppression programs, utilizing WHAF volunteers who are ready to implement a robust PZP program. We feel that a goal of at least 80-90 mares darted annually would be a good start.	

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	<p>2. We feel an adjustment to the AML for the Onaqui HMA is warranted. In particular, the low end of the AML should be adjusted upward so that it is genetically viable.</p> <p>3. The Onaqui HMA should be expanded to include the original herd area territory originally designated by Congress, taking the size of this HMA to 507,681 acres.</p> <p>4. In implementation and management of ARMPA, we propose that the BLM investigate the range impacts of all of the land users including livestock, not just wild horses, in order to appropriately carry out ARMPA in the extremely important task of preservation of sage grouse. Additionally, we feel it would be prudent to look at the lower-cost option of utilizing fencing to protect habitat rather than costly roundups and holding.</p> <p>5. We feel that signage on and around the Onaqui HMA to direct local traffic to stay on legal routes would be extremely beneficial. We have heard from advocates on the ground that there has been damage to the land because of off-roading ATVs and other motorized vehicles.</p> <p>6. If a roundup does occur, we strongly urge the BLM to reduce the number of horses they plan to remove so the herd remains genetically viable. We would also ask the BLM to focus on rounding up only those animals of adoptable age (1-5 years) that regularly occupy sage grouse habitat, and to do so through the more humane method of bait and water trapping rather than helicopter roundups.</p> <p>We are very grateful for the opportunity to offer our comments and, as always, we appreciate your willingness to listen to our thoughts. I know personally that you care about the wild horses you manage and will always be grateful for your kind and thoughtful consideration of these animals. I believe that Onaqui presents a special opportunity to showcase forward-thinking, cost-effective, humane wild horse management. We will help you in any way we can.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	
1764	I'm sure you must have better ways to spend our money. Wild horses belong to all of us as do our public lands. Leave them alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1765	These horses deserve to be FREE for all time!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1766	Leave the wild horses alone. Your plan to decimate the Onequi horse population is disgusting. Your job is to protect the horses not to kill? them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1767	<p>The HSUS has a long history of involvement in human-wildlife conflict resolution and is committed to working in a positive manner with the Bureau of Land Management (“BLM”) to promote the creation of sustainable, humane and fiscally responsible solutions to wild horse population issues. Perceived rangeland conflicts are at an all-time high and we acknowledge that the agency believes it must proceed with a national management paradigm which lowers wild horse population. The Humane Society of the United States believes, however, that any management paradigm must be conducted humanely- and cannot focus, as it has on the past, on simply removing horses from the range every few years, with minimal fertility control application occurring to lower population growth rates.</p> <p>Instead- we firmly believe that a humane management paradigm must be in place, which ensures that responsibly conducted fertility control programs are underway in Herd Management Areas (“HMAs”) where any removals are conducted. As such, we are commenting on the Salt Lake Field Office’s EA to express our concerns with the BLM continuing a gather and removal program without making a real commitment to fertility control. We would appreciate if our comments, below, were incorporated into the Final Environmental Assessment.</p> <p>Concern with the Environmental Assessment. Use of Humane Society of the United States’ Name to Support Removals</p> <p>In support of the BLM’s stated purpose to gather and remove horses from the HMA, the EA states that “Decreasing the numbers of excess wild horses on the range is consistent with findings and recommendations from the ... Humane Society of the United States (HSUS)...” (EA, p. 2). This statement is misleading. We, as an organization, do not support the removal of wild horses and burros as currently used by BLM as a management tool. As discussed below, round-ups can actually lead to higher horse population growth rates. Using round-ups in this way only contributes to the growing number of horses on the range instead of helping to stabilize population growth.</p> <p>Instead- and as stated above, the Humane Society of the United States understands that the BLM is striving to lower wild horse population numbers, and we have expressed that we are not fully opposed to removals only if they are appropriate, deemed necessary, and are conducted in conjunction with comprehensive fertility control programs. The agency must ensure that a sufficient percentage of the horses remaining on the range are treated with fertility control- which would reduce and possibly eliminate the number of gather and removals necessary in the future.</p> <p>We, however, cannot support the agency continuing to remove horses from the range without setting up robust fertility control programs to ensure that large scale removals are not necessary in the future.</p> <p>Greater Emphasis Must be Placed on Fertility Control</p> <p>In 2013, The National Research Council of the National Academy of Sciences (“NAS”) released a report commissioned by the BLM. The report found that the BLM’s practice of rounding up and removing a significant proportion of the herd’s population every three to four years could be contributing to high horse population growth rates. Instead, the report suggested that the BLM implement additional fertility control practices, focusing specifically on liquid PZP as one of the most promising methods for implementation.</p> <p>In 2014, the HSUS supported the efforts of the Salt Lake Field Office in drafting an EA that created a more in-depth fertility control program to slow the HMA’s population growth rate (see attached comments.) At that time, we are pleased to see that the Salt Lake Field Office moving towards the NAS recommendations, and investing in long-term solutions that are both humane and fiscally responsible.</p>	BLM has modified the EA at Section 1.2 and included a footnote that further clarifies the position of NGOs, including HSUS, that their support is directly associated with using active fertility control measures that would reduce the need to conduct gathers and physically remove individual horses from the rangelands.

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	<p>We stressed, in our comments, however, that population growth suppression programs must not be an afterthought to removals- and must be designed and conducted to effectively inoculate the appropriate ratio of total mares (80-90%) in a herd at the most efficacious time of year in order to maximize the benefits of using fertility control to successfully reduce population growth rates. Unfortunately, since that time, BLM records indicate that only 53 horses were treated in 2017 (estimated population 457), 42 in 2016 (estimated population 381) and 15 in 2015 (estimated population 317). These numbers are not sufficient to have the BLM’s desired population level effect.</p> <p>While we are incredibly pleased that the BLM is utilizing volunteers to dart the Onaqui horses, we also noted in our 2014 comments that if fertility control has been used within an HMA, and hasn’t reduced population growth rates in a sufficient manner to achieve AML, it is incumbent that field managers examine their programs for gaps in treatment protocols that allow for higher than optimal population growth rates. Those gaps must be identified and corrected to ensure that the population growth suppression program is conducted in the most effective manner possible. In this vein, we strongly urge the Salt Lake Field Office to make a greater commitment to ensure the volunteer program has sufficient resources, and is adhering to protocols, in order to ensure that 80-90% of the mares in an HMA are treated, instead of shifting their focus to removals without expanding the fertility control program.</p> <p>We are therefore displeased to see that the EA eliminated from consideration increased PZP treatments. We cannot support additional removals if additional PZP treatments are not included in the long-term management plan. This is to ensure that populations are managed appropriately to ensure maximum efficacy and thus, reduce population growth rates along with the need for and frequency of removals such as the ones being contemplated in this EA.</p> <p>Conclusion</p> <p>The HSUS believes that the Salt Lake Field Office is committed to increasing the effectiveness of the population growth suppression program at the Onaqui Mountain HMA, and urges the office to focus on how to better improve their PZP program- instead of shifting their focus to a removal program which includes only minimal applications of PZP.</p> <p>EA Page 2</p> <p>National Research Council of the National Academies of Sciences. 2013. “Using Science to Improve the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Program: A Way Forward.” Page 6. (“NAS”)</p> <p>NAS, Pages 7, 35.</p> <p>A preliminary demonstration run of the economic model created by an economist commissioned by The HSUS shows that by gradually replacing “removal-only” programs with contraception-and-removal programs on one hypothetical Herd Management Area, the BLM could save about \$8 million over 12 years while maintaining an area target population of 874 horses. de Seve, Charles, Ph.D., and S. Boyles Griffin. 2013. An Economic Model Demonstrating the Long-Term Cost Benefits of Incorporating Fertility Control Into Wild Horse (Equus Caballus) Management Programs on Public Lands in the United States,” Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine, 44(4S): 34.</p> <p>http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/prog/whbprogram/history_and_facts/quick_facts.html.</p> <p>[Note: The HSUS submitted the same/similar comments in the NEPA Register form as well as their attachment. Footnotes are not reproduced here.]</p>	
1768	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1769	As a citizen of the US I implore you to take care of these wild horses and NOT remove them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1770	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1771	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1772	Bureau of Land Management: Please do not roundup any more of the Onaqui wild horse herd.; please cancel the scheduled roundup. These animals are an Amercian natural resource to be preserved for generations to come. The Onaqui Wild Horse Herd is our gift to future Americans.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1773	THIS IS AMERICA..AND THE AMAZZZING ANIMALS LIVING FREE FOR SO MANY YEARS ARE NOT YOURS TO CHANGE. I PAY TAXES..AS ALMOST 81,,, THAT'S BEEN FOR A LONG TIME IN SEVERAL STATES.. since that covers federal taxes..I HAVE A SHARE IN THE WHOLE COUNTRY....you are disgusting....i thought we had problems ENOUGH with the idiot president..seems his damage to our beloved, wonderful country IS SPREADING. HOPEFULLY YOU'LL HEAR FROM THOUSANDS OF PEOPLE WHO LOVE THE WONDERS OF AMERICA AND MAKE YOU STOP AND THINK. i will be following your actions and doing my best to spread the word..better or worse.. take a minute and look at what you are doing..know our whole country WILL BE WATCHING TOO..	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1774	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1775	Leave those Horses alone, unharmed & in their Home.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1776	Please do not gather up these beautiful and iconic horses, pen them up or slaughter them. Let them be free to live their protected by law, God given life on federal lands. Use pVp birth control vaccines instead, much better more reasonable and merciful option. Most Americans want these horses to be protected and stay free in America.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1777	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1778	This is inexcusable! In other circumstances this would be classified as cruelty. It would appear that the BLM does not care for comments made by the American people, who I may add are the taxpayers paying the salaries of all employed by the BLM. This agency is running rampant over all the wild horses and burros and answering to know one..... apparantly. Except the American Taxpayer who is against the removal of any wild horse or burro! The land that all the wild horses and burros roam on, graze on are public lands paid for by the American taxpayer, it is my opinion, therefore, that any decision regarding these lands, these wild horse and burros should be made by the American Taxpayer after all they. are the ones footing the bill!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1779	This number is below the number of wild horses necessary to have in a herd in order to maintain genetic viability. The leading geneticist on wild horses, Dr. Gus Cothren says that there must be 150-200 breeding aged adults in order to maintain genetic viability. Removal down to this number is a recipe for disaster for this well known and much beloved herd. Wild horses should be managed on the range, on our public lands where they belong, not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed or sent to slaughter. This herd does not deserve this fate. There had already been volunteers working on administering fertility control to maintain the numbers of this herd. Yet the BLM proceeds to plan to roundup and remove all these horses anyway. The BLM should work with volunteers and use fertility control to maintain the numbers of wild horses on the range. If the BLM does remove any wild horses from this herd, they must not skew the sex ratio to 60% stallions v. 40% mares. The BLM wrongly assumes that more stallions and less mares means a lower birth rate. What its really means is more instability in the family structure, more fighting, less safety for the horses. Wild horse naturally maintain a 50% stallions 50% mares balance. This must be maintained for the health and safety of the herd. The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses, and this must be stopped. Some other factors that must be considered is that wild horse viewing and photographing is an important activity for this herd, and a massive removal will severely impact these recreational uses by the public. This area should not be managed primarily for livestock grazing, instead livestock grazing should be greatly reduced. The removal of these horses will greatly impact the county's tourism income from people traveling to visit these wild horses. The costs to roundup and remove these wild horses plus the additional cost of warehousing them in holding facilities and feed lots is far greater than managing them on our public lands. The last major concern that must be taken into account is what will ultimately happen to these horses that are rounded up and removed? Right now Congress is considering BLM's own plans to destroy thousands of healthy wild horses, ship them overseas, and send them to slaughter. The 2019 Appropriations Bill in the House calls for that. Given that our wild horse's fate is hanging in the balance, these wild horses would be much safer left in the wild, in their homes.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1780	You're planning to reduce the Onaqui herd by 90%???? Don't be ridiculous! 205,000 acres can support way more horses than what will remain, unless of course you are mis-managing the grazing rights. And to round up horses using the methods you use is inhumane and cruel. Keeping them in holding pens is inhumane and cruel. Stop messing with our horses and do the job the taxpayers pay you to do....PROTECT OUR WILD HORSES!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1781	Please let the horses remain on their land. There is more than enough land for these horses to graze and will easily support them. The few horses on these thousands of acres can easily support these horses without any damage to the land. Horses are family units and social and should be left alone to live in the wild without human interruption or removal.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1782	Leave them wild and free!! Keep your hands off!!! They are protected!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1783	So I don't understand why the blm needs to take more horses???? What have they done??? These beautiful wild horses have done nothing wrong.... You know if you take more and separate them from their herd babies are left alone taken away too soon they can't keep up without their mamas I don't understand what and why they need to be gone you guys are really confused you have no idea what you're doing I've seen you take so many other horses from their herds babies are separated or even killed trying to keep up the running their little feet off. Stallions fighting the other stallions because they're in a trap you really don't give a damn and I know I'm right leave the precious horses alone they are fine where they're at there is no problem just leave them there don't touch them don't look at them... you the BLM are actually stupid no reason whatsoever to move them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1784	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1785	The wild horses deserve to remain wild. The cost of rounding them up, and housing them, figuring out what to do with them, and possibly shipping them elsewhere is far greater than using these resources to leave them where they belong which is wild and free in their home with their families. The removal of these horses would also greatly impact the income of some people in this county get from tourism as people travel to take photos of these wild horses. A better use of the resources would be to work with volunteers to control the herd using fertility control. These horses deserve to stay wild and have the land that should be their's.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1786	BLM, you need to stop the Killing and roundup of the wild horses everywhere.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1787	Leave these federally protected horses alone!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1788	<p>I respectfully urge you to follow 2.3 Alternative B – GonaCon™ Contraception Treatments.</p> <p>I think the proposed removal totals are onerous and combined with PZP and GonaCon would spell the end of Onaqui wild horses.</p> <p>I don’t feel you have adequately utilized PZP in the HMA based on the following information:</p> <p>‘Treatment History and Effectiveness BLM continues to administer PZP within the HMA (Table 6). Field observations and information documented on data sheets have shown a decrease in the number of foals. All treatments continue to be recorded on data sheets for each individual mare. For example, wild horse #4045 (mare id) has not had a foal since 2016 and that was the first year she received the liquid PZP. From the inventory flight, the reported number of foals per 100 adults was 11.5. Table 6. PZP Treatment History HMA. Fiscal Year Number of Mares Treated</p> <p>2015 - 15</p> <p>2016 - 37</p> <p>2017 - 53</p> <p>Page 45 of the NEPA</p> <p>When you are alarmed with an estimated number of horses at 500 total in two ranges. That is .106% having been treated.</p> <p>‘Cumulatively over the next 10-15 year period, continuing to manage wild horses within the established AML range would result in improved vegetation condition (i.e. forage availability and quantity), which in turn would result in improved vegetation density, cover, vigor, seed production, seedling establishment and forage production over current conditions. Managing wild horse populations within the established AML would allow the primary forage plant species to return more rapidly and allow for improvements to riparian habitat, even though some vegetation conditions may never be able to return to their potential. Maintaining AML over a sustained period of time throughout the CIA would allow for the collection of scientific data to evaluate current AML levels and to identify whether any changes to AML are warranted. There is also the Skull Valley Land Exchange. If approved the BLM would begin monitoring to determine if any adjustments to AUMs is justified.’</p> <p>If forage is an issue to BLM, please review your grazing licenses...527 cattle and 8,736 sheep?? (2015)</p> <p>Are wild horses still allotted 12% of the HMA? I think a livestock reduction of 4% over 16 years is dismal.</p> <p>If you remove 50 or less youngsters from each range (Cedar and Onaqui) and treat the mares with birth control, that should make a significant impact on the number of horses and retain genetic viability. Greater removal will only decimate the horses in this HMA.</p>	<p>This proposed action is for the Onaqui HMA only.</p> <p>Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1, 1738 and 1754.</p>
1789	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1791	<p>You really must leave The Onaqui Mustang herd at peace. There are plenty of resources and there is no need to remove them other than greed.</p> <p>Leave them in peace. They are at home and deserve to stay there. LEAVE THEM ALONE.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1792	<p>I oppose the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90 percent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range.</p> <p>When we include wild horses as a native species in the grazing cycle, the horses provide an essential link to soil and land health.</p> <p>(* See below: Horses graze with a “trimming” style and have the ability to re-seed the land because of their digestive systems (hind-gut fermenter).</p> <p>When horses are included as a native species, they protect both cattle and humans from the always-present threat of soil-borne anthrax.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Archeological evidence shows that horses originated here in North America. 2. Additional evidence indicates that some groups of horses survived the “Great Ice Age Extinction”, meaning that small groups of horses have lived continuously here in North America as a native species. 3. Horses eat grass differently than cattle: Cattle pull grasses with their tongue and lower teeth, often removing the roots. Horses clip the grass with their teeth (like a lawnmower), protecting the roots. 4. Horses digestive systems are different from cattle. A horse is a “hindgut fermenter” which protects native grass seeds (when that is part of their forage) allowing the seeds to spread and effectively re-plant, especially in areas that have previously been damaged by overgrazing by cattle. 5. Horses remove some of the most flammable understory material in fire-prone environments. This protects the entire ecosystem by lowering the intensity of any fires that do occur (for example, the fire would not burn so hot that the trees themselves would be destroyed). 6. The practice of “re-wilding” with wild horses is already being practiced in Europe. 	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1793	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1794	<p>AMERICANS ARE NOT IN FAVOR OF THE BLM DECIMATING THIS HERD! CATTLE NEED TO BE REDUCED IN THE AREA AND HUMANE TREATMENT OF THE HORSES IS VIEWED "CRITICAL" BY ALL THE CONCERNED AMERICAN PEOPLE. WE ARE FED UP AND SICK AND TIRED OF THE BLM'S ATTACK ON OUR HORSES - - THE UNFAIRNESS SHOWN, THE INHUMANE TREATMENT OF THE HORSES AND ON AND ON . . . IT IS PAST TIME FOR THE BLM TO STOP THEIR HORRIFIC PRACTICES AND LEAVE OUR AMERICAN HORSES WITH THEIR FREEDOM!!!!</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1795	Please protect our wild places- don't decimate this herd of innocent animals.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1796	Due to the delicate desert grassland nature of this area, population control of the horses is very important. There are native species of animals and birds that depend on this land for their living. The horses are an icon of the West and should be treated accordingly but that doesn't mean they should be allowed to multiply unchecked so that they ruin the grasslands for native species or for the ranchers that depend on this land for their livelihood. Ranchers are very contentious about utilizing the land in a sustainable fashion. The cattle and sheep can be, and are managed in such a way to sustain the grazing as dictated by weather, etc. from year to year. The wild horses are multiplying unchecked at an unsustainable rate. Once these grasslands are destroyed by overgrazing there will be no recovery. I love the wild horses but I don't want to see them starving or unhealthy. For way too long there has been nothing done to control their numbers. Gathers, and sterilization of horses that have less desirable traits should be the main focus. It seems that so many times the more desirable horses are taken off the range and put out for adoption. The remaining horses degrade over time so soon more and more of the horses have less desirable traits. That makes it harder and harder for horses to get adopted in the future. Someone who knows about horses, confirmation, temperament, and useability, should be making these decisions. There is now a very uninvasive procedure to sterilize mares and allow them to be returned to their herds. This should be utilized NOW before the rangeland won't sustain any animals anymore!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1797	The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses, and this must be stopped.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1798	Why do you insist on going against the wishes of the majority of people and listen to ranchers who just want basically free land for their stock? Leave the horses alone! Be an American, be proud to call yourself American! This proposed action is nothing close to that.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1799	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1800	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1802	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1803	Please include grazing permit AUM's in these EA reports..... Apply the law that states the wild horses are to be considered primary in Herd Management Areas, and grazing permit livestock are to be removed first, before wild horses are removed... Give us true counts of wild herds, not projections based on faulty numbers. Preserve the wild herds on the land set aside for their use.... Simple and costs nothing. Remove grazing permits on Herd Management Areas, thus removing the cattlemen's request to kill predators and remove wild herds. Simple. Restrict grazing permits, give primary use to wild herds on Herd Management Areas, which is a small amount of public land.... Give the wild herds all of the forage allotment on Herd Management Areas... Simple. Remove cattle interests from Herd Management Areas.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1804	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1805	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1806	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1807	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1808	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1809	I strongly oppose the planned gather in Onaqui HMA. You have an area of 205,252 acres and estimated 450 horses. That means 0.002 population density that is extremely low. Actually the tenth - thirtieth of the population density of other wild equines in other arid areas of the world. The population growth you anticipate is not predictable. Ecosystems are dynamic, not static. Even in the lack of large predators, horses have physiological, behavioral self-regulating mechanisms. You also need to take mortality rate into consideration. Instead of managing wild horses in any way, I ask you to round up the more than 200 cattle from Onaqui Mountain West, also cancel the allotment for the almost 300 cattle in Onaqui Mountain East, and first and foremost withdraw the 8736 sheep from the Onaqui Mountain.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1810	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1811	This proposed roundup is insane and a giveaway to livestock interests. I just returned from the area and all of the horses as well as the range were healthy. The only disturbing thing was a new fence along the road from Dugway blocking access to a large area for the horses. You are mandated by law to manage HMA's for the horses not sheep and cows as you are now doing. I hope someone with the funds files suit against this insane proposal and if you are unable to do your job as the law spells out then you should find another line of work (maybe flipping burgers or cleaning outhouses). These animals are a very valuable resource and to be treated the way you treat them is a travesty. How can you look yourself in the mirror? I am contacting my representatives in DC as well on this topic and hopefully they will hold you accountable for your obscene actions.	The new fence that you saw was installed to protect the area after a fire in 2017. The area will be reseeded in the fall of 2018 to restore forage for the horses. The fence will be removed once the vegetation has reestablished. There have not been other fences constructed/authorized by the BLM. Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1812	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.

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1813	This pertains to the Bureau of Land Management’s plan to remove 90% of the wild horses currently in and outside the 205,394-acre Onaqui Herd Management Area this fall. The removal would take 379 of the estimated 450 adult wild horses plus foals currently living in the area which would bring the herd size down to low Appropriate Management Area for this herd, which is 121 wild horses. This number is too few wild horses to have in a herd and maintain genetic viability. Dr. Gus Cothren, the leading geneticist on wild horses, says that there must be 150-200 breeding aged adults in order to maintain genetic viability. This is both a well-known and much loved herd and the numbers desirable to the BLM will only lead to their extinction. Wild horses belong on our public lands and should be managed on the range, and not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known, and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed or sent to slaughter. This herd does not deserve such a fate. Volunteers have been working on administering fertility control to maintain the numbers of this herd. However, the BLM continues to plan to roundup and remove these horses nevertheless. The BLM should work with volunteers and use fertility control to maintain the numbers of wild horses on the range. Should the BLM does remove any wild horses from this herd, they must be careful not to skew the sex ratio to 60% stallions v. 40% mares. By doing so the BLM wrongly assumes that more stallions and less mares means a lower birth rate. What its really means is more instability in the family structure, more fighting, and less safety for the horses. Wild horse naturally maintain a 50% stallions 50% mares balance which must be maintained for the health and safety of the herd. The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses, and this must be stopped. Please consider that wild horse viewing and photographing is an important activity for this herd, and a massive removal will severely impact these recreational uses by the public. This area should not be managed primarily for livestock grazing but rather livestock grazing should be greatly reduced. The removal of these horses will greatly impact the county’s tourism income from people traveling to visit these wild horses. The costs to roundup and remove these wild horses plus the additional cost of warehousing them in holding facilities and feed lots is far greater than managing them on our public lands. Finally, what will happen to these horses once they are rounded up and removed? Currently Congress is considering BLM’s own plans to destroy thousands of healthy wild horses, ship them overseas, and/or send them to slaughter. The 2019 Appropriations Bill in the House calls for that. Given that our wild horse’s fate is hanging in the balance, these wild horses would be much safer left in the wild and in their natural habitat.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1814	I don;t care where you plan to take the horses from, you tell of how their are too many for the HMA, or they are in dier need to be removed and taken care of. You could save hundreds of \$\$\$, (that doesn't go into your pocket) it was suggested to do hay drops. It was suggested at the Cold CreeK roundup, the man said he would get back to me. Another lie. There are cheaper ways to help these burros and horses but you refuse to listen. You are a disgusting lot. You only care for filling your pockets.	Refer to BLM's responses to Numbers 1 and 34.
1815	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1816	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1817	Why must you take these beautiful animals from the range? What harm are they causing, and by leaving on the range the goverment will be saving money. I really don't understand why the BLM can do whatever they feel is right, and go AGAINIST THE PEOPLE WISHES. I pay taxes and when I visit the state of Utah love the horses. I have followed these horses as many people have but if seems that you do not care what the people want. Why is it so hard to leave them? Why you just send to Mexico or Canada to be killed or leave on lots to starve and be abused, with no shade and not caring about them. Why the BLM for exactly? It is not to help the wild horses you are out to get rid of all of them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1818	<p>[1] Friends of Animals submits these comments in response to the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area Population Control Environmental Assessment2 (hereinafter, “Onaqui EA”) to request that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) consider the impacts of its actions and seize plans intended to capture and suppress the wild and free characteristics of these wild horses.</p> <p>[2] BLM failed to analyze any action alternative that includes an option other than rounding up and permanently removing a majority of the wild horses and subjecting these protected animals to a life of captivity.</p> <p>[3] Friends of Animals is also concerned that the EA does not take a hard look at the impacts of the proposed actions and erroneously attributes a disproportionate share of range deterioration in the HMAs to wild horses. Additionally, Friends of Animals is concerned that BLM is attempting to authorize the continued removal and harassment of wild horses for ten years into the future.</p> <p>[4] Friends of Animals asks BLM to consider giving wild horses room to roam freely in the limited space allocated to them. Friends of Animals also asks BLM to fully consider the impacts of its decision and alternatives, including the physical, social and behavioral impacts of its proposed actions on wild horses as well as the positive impacts of wild horses.</p> <p>[5] A. BLM should consider its obligations under the Wild-Free Roaming Horses and Burros Act.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. BLM must make the required excess determination before each and every roundup. 2. BLM cannot authorize continued removal and harassment of wild horses for ten years into the future. <p>[6] B. The BLM should consider its obligations under the National Environmental Policy Act.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The proposed action meets the level of significance that triggers preparation of an EIS. 2. The BLM should thoroughly analyze the impacts of the proposed action and alternatives. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. BLM must consider the proposed actions impact on the genetic diversity and health of the wild horses. 	<p>[1] Introductory paragraphs. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2, 6.1, 7] BLM analyzes in detail 3 alternatives (EA at sections 2.1 through 2.4). These alternatives include the use of various gather methods, fertility control, and sterilization, including established SOPs and protective measures for resources beside the wild horses. 15 additional alternatives were also considered. Additional information regarding preparing a FONSI is contained in the EA at Section 1.1. The commenter is also referred to the FONSI issued with the DR.</p> <p>[3-5] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p> <p>[6.2 a-d] BLM addresses several aspects of wild horses (such as SOPs, social structure, physiology) at multiple sections in the EA including appendices, references, modeling, and inventory. For example, genetic studies are completed and the results are used by the BLM in determining the genetic health of the herd. If warranted, BLM still retains the ability to bring in other wild horses from other HMAs to maintain/improve a thriving population. This HMA remains genetically viable.</p> <p>Regarding the comment “BLM should consider reasonable alternatives to achieve a thriving natural ecological balance in the Onaqui Mountain HMA, including: ... (4) protecting predators, such as mountain lions, in order to achieve natural population control”, mountain lion management is outside the scope of this EA. This species is managed by the Utah Division of Wildlife Resrouce and therefore is not within the authority of the BLM.</p> <p>Regarding the comment “BLM also misstated the results of the studies it cites. For example, the Onaqui EA</p>

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	<p>b. BLM must consider the social, behavioral, and physiological impacts of population growth control measures on wild horses.</p> <p>c. BLM should consider the ethical impacts of its actions, including consideration of the physical, social, and behavioral impacts of the proposed roundup, and subsequent captivity, on wild horses.</p> <p>d. BLM should consider the positive impacts of wild horses.</p> <p>[7] 3. BLM should consider reasonable alternatives to the proposed action.</p> <p>a. The BLM should consider re-evaluating the current AML to support additional wild horses in the HMA.</p> <p>b. The BLM must consider reducing the number of livestock or the number of AUMs allotted to livestock.</p> <p>c. BLM should consider expanding the area available to wild horses to include nearby HAs.</p> <p>d. BLM should consider control by natural means.</p> <p>C. Conclusion.</p> <p>Friends of Animals strongly opposes the roundup and removal of any wild horses within and around the Onaqui Mountain HMA. Friends of Animals also opposes the use of fertility control on wild horses as a population management tool. BLM’s increased management and restriction of wild horses strays from the vision of freedom and wildness that Congress sought to protect. Friends of Animals request that the BLM consider the true impact of its proposed actions and consider additional alternatives that protect wild horses before rounding up and permanently removed from their homes. The BLM should instead consider adjusting the AML in the Onaqui Mountain HMA, and limiting conflicting uses that have adverse impacts to the environment, such as grazing livestock and oil and gas development. BLM should also consider natural controls, including protecting mountain lions in the area. Finally, before the BLM decides to conduct any proposed roundups, it must consider the impacts of the roundup and subsequent captivity on the wild horses and must not ignore the ecological benefits of wild horses.</p> <p>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes. The content of the letter has been paraphrased. Footnotes are not reproduced here.]</p>	<p>claims that species richness is greater in areas where horses don’t graze. However, the study indicated that mammal species richness did not differ between horse-occupied and horse-removed sites”, the EA never references the study (Beever and Brussard 2004) that the commenter claims is being misrepresented. It is true that this study found that there was no statistically significant difference in mammal species richness between horse-occupied and horse-removed sites in this study. However, the authors attributed this difference to low capture numbers resulting in low statistical power, and the broad geographical range resulting in heterogeneity at their sampling sites. They also state that “We found more depauperate communities at horse-occupied sites even though we captured more total individuals at horse-occupied sites (due mostly to deer mice) during both years” and “The deer mouse, perhaps the most abundant, widely distributed, and eurytopic species of mammal in ... North America...was captured more frequently at horse-occupied sites during both 1997 and 1998. Other authors have found deer mice to be insensitive to various types of disturbance, and even to flourish in conditions of environmental or disturbance-imposed harshness”. Beever and Brussard (2000) was referenced in the EA with regard to its findings regarding plant diversity, not mammal species richness. This study did not include statistical analysis of its mammal data, hence there were no conclusions regarding significant differences between mammal species richness in horse-occupied and horse-removed sites. The qualitative assessment of the small mammal data suggests that wild horses reduce small mammal species diversity – there were many more burrows in exclosed sites than in those open to horse grazing, and small mammal abundance and species diversity were greatest at 2/3 paired exclosure sites; the grazed site where abundance and diversity were higher was primarily grazed by cattle, not horses. Another study cited in the EA, Hall et al 2016, found that mammal (and bird) species richness was significantly higher at sites where horses were excluded.</p> <p>Regarding the comment “Additionally, wild horses have beneficial relationships with other wildlife, such as bighorn sheep. Unlike cattle, wild horses do not stay at water sources, but rather move after drinking and will travel long distances from water”, several studies have shown that wild horses displace native species, including bighorn (which do not have habitat in the project area), deer, pronghorn, small mammals, birds, and ants (Hall et al 2016, Hall et al 2018, Beever and Herrick 2006, Osstermann-Kelm et al 2008). The study cited as evidence (Coates and Schmennitz 1994) that wild horses have beneficial relationships with wildlife showed that of the 328 groups of bighorn observed, only 22 groups of bachelor rams (6.7%) were observed with horses, and ewes were never observed with horses. This was despite the fact that the grass cover in the habitat used by the horses was 6%, whereas the sheep-only areas had grass cover of <1%. Also, although the study indicates that foraging efficiency was greater for male bighorn in horse areas, they failed to include aggressive behaviors by horses (herding, driving) in their analysis, and ignored the possibility that social behaviors by rams were eliminated in horse areas because ewes were not present to stimulate this behavior. We cannot conclude from this study how bighorn (male and female) would have behaved in the areas used by horses were the horses not there to begin with. Was the presence of horses displacing the ewes from higher quality habitat? The evidence provided by this study that horses have a beneficial relationship with bighorn is preliminary at best.</p> <p>[7] BLM reviewed and established a new AML and HMA boundary in 2003. Additional detail is contained in the EA and decision record issued in February 2003.</p> <p>An aerial survey was conducted to determine the current number of wild horses. The results of that census is contained in the EA at Appendix D (November 2017 Population Inventory and Population Modeling Report. In addition to this Comment Report (BLM 2018), BLM provides a discussion of livestock grazing, forage distribution, and control by natural means, in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018).</p>
1819	<p>hank you very much for ordering the closure of the Yat Yuen Canine Club, better known as the Canidrome. I am writing to ask that you please release the 650 surviving greyhounds to Albano Martins and his organization ANIMA, Society for Animal Protection Macau. He and his international allies have assembled a team of adoption groups around the world and they stand ready to give all remaining dogs a second chance at life. The good reputation of Macau will shine even more once these dogs are saved. Please use your power to help them be released into safe hands.</p>	<p>The points raised are outside the scope of this EA and outside the jurisdiction of the BLM.</p>
1820	<p>The wild horses are part of America’s heritage! Please let them remain and allowed to roam freely!!! They should NOT be sent to slaughter overseas nor sent to Kill Pens in Mexico or Canada!!! Mares with babies found in Kill Pens!!! Shame on you BLM if you allow this to happen only to fatten the wallets of cattle owners! People are eating less meat! Leave the wild horses alone!!! May future generations be able to enjoy them before you make them extinct. Slaughter is NOT the answer! &#128545;&#128545;&#128545;</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1821	<p>Please do not remove these wild horses from our public lands. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses. This practice must be stopped! It is wrong on so many levels, including the negative effect it will have on the county’s tourism income from people traveling to visit these wild horses. Instead, continue to work with volunteers and use fertility control to maintain the numbers of wild horses on the range.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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1822	These animals deserve to live! We have no right over their right to the land. Nor do any ranchers that need to raise their bottom line in the blood trade of cattle, sheep and other animals for consumption. This is not a bleeding heart statement, this statement is based on our survive. How much more can humans take from the planet until it is completely destabilized? BLM has a responsibility to the taxpayers to save these PUBLIC lands for all to enjoy in the future, not just for ranchers bottom line. BLM I assume knows that cattle farming is one of the most environmentally destructive forces at the current moment in history. Please do your job by preserving the United States true natural treasures.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1823	Please do not decimate the wild horse herds further. The Onaqui Utah herd is only 120 strong. Taking out 90 percent of the herd will leave the remaining horses unable to pass on their genes in a genetically appropriate manner. Keep the herds strong. Stop round-ups and let stockmen take care of their own herds on their own lands. The horses were there first.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1824	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1825	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1826	I support the BLM’s effort to protect sage grouse habitat. However, I also support the BLM’s mandate to preserve and protect wild horse populations, including their ability to sustain genetic diversity by maintaining an adequate number of breeding adults. The current proposal to reduce the Onaqui herd to the low end of the AML does not allow enough animals to maintain genetic diversity as outlined in the BLM-funded study “Wild Horse Populations: Field Studies in Genetics and Fertility” (NRC, 1991). And though the study was conducted over 25 years ago, the science has not changed — the numbers needed for genetic diversity remain the same and are more in line with the high end of the AML per the BLM’s own research. The Salt Lake Field Office needs to protect BOTH the sage grouse and the Onaqui herd and manage both species for viability. To do so for the Onaqui herd, the Salt Lake Field office should limit any reductions to the high AML.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1827	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1828	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1829	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1830	I live in Maryland and am a wildlife photographer and a frequent visitor to Assateague Island National Seashore’s Maryland District. It is the first place in the country where PZP dart birth control has been used effectively. IT WORKS! IT IS INEXPENSIVE! And in my eyes it is very much more humane than frightening these horses and burros into a panic with a helicopter to “remove” them and then “storing” them as if they were not sentient beings. Please I beg you, stop the round ups and holding facilities. Phase it all out! They are social creatures. They have societal rules and heirarchies which are very much disturbed by gelding and by corraling them. If you want to limit the population, stop spending so much tax money on these helicopters and holding facilities and USE THE PZP! It is a slower solution, but so much better for the animals AND for the budget!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1831	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1832	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1833	Everyone knows this is about grazing rights. It's time for the BLM to stop giving priority to cattle ranchers and start honoring the wishes of Americans who want these magestic icons of American heritage to be cherised, protected and humanely managed on our federal lands. What you are doing to America's wild horses is shameful!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1834	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1835	I am writing to stringly oppose removal of any of the wild horses in the Onaqui Herd in Utah. This is a healthy herd and they are thriving. Please continue to allow the use of PZP for reducing births but leave them where they are wild and free and with their families. I urge you to reduce the number of cattle that graze on this HMA and to restore the acres that have been taken away. These herda will naturally maintain a balance of stallions and mares. Please do not interfere with their behaviors other than the use of birth control. I do not want my tax dollars used to round us this historic herd.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1836	Please take under consideration that I as a taxpayer oppose any of our tax money being used for the removal of these horses from their preserve. As to overpopulation, PZP should be used as a first course of action. I am also tired of my tax money being used to support ranchers and their cattle.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1837	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1838	LEAVE THEM FREE AND SAFE ON THEIR RANGE!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1839	Please let wild horses be wild. Inhumane roundups, holding in pens, and letting ranchers have their way inneeds to stop. It is obvious that the BLM's plan isn't working. We do not need more wild horses in holding than are on the range.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1840	We are sick and tired of the lies, the land grabs, the raping of the natural world, the torture of our precious wildlife. And the conflict of interest that caters to the ranchers!!!!!! Leave our horses alone and address the human cancer that is destroying all that is priceless! LEAVE OUR WILDLIFE UNHARMED!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1842	Please don't take horses from the Onaqui Herd in Utah. All of them are needed to maintain a natural rhythm to the herd. I realize you are doing this for the almighty dollar and the cattlemen, but really, where is your compassion and soul? Well, in the cattlemen's pockets of course! Shame on you! I read that fertilization program volunteers are trying to help and it would be kind (it's a good thing, kind. Look it up!) of you to work with these volunteers and help SAVE our wild horses! I hope that in the deep heart of your hearts you Know that cutting the herd so drastically is a bad thing. You do have hearts, don't you? Don't you? Well, come on folks! Do the right thing and leave the herd alone!! No cutting of the herd!! 205,000+ acres of land is plenty for the horses and a few measly cows. Really. SAVE OUR WILD HORSES!!!!!!!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1843	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1844	I believe that a gather of the Onaqui Wild horse herd should not take place. The number that has been submitted to gather is too high and to remove that many horses will leave the herd being genetically unviable. There is also too many cows grazing and there should be less leases for ranchers. The Onaqui herd draws viewers from all around the country. I know hundreds of people that have photographed the herd and this in turn has greatly affected the local economy. Without these horses on the range this would create a negative impact on all surrounding communities. I am planning a trip to see the herd in August and I have rented a car and payed for hotel rooms and will purchase provisions all in the nearby town of Tooele. This is hundreds of dollars that goes directly into the town. It just saddens me that if you gather these horses they will have very little chance for adoption as they may end up in feed lots where the public can't even view them. If you have to gather- do it in a low numbers so they have a fighting chance at survival and adoption. I am going to see these horses soon and I don't want this to be a farewell.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1845	<p>On behalf of the Wild Horse and Burro Fund and as a wildlife ecologist familiar with wild horses of the West who has visited the Onaqui wild horse herd and observed these animals and their habitat, I am absolutely outraged that BLM is planning on taking ca. 90% of the 400+ remaining wild horses. This would bring the population number to only ca. 120 and threaten the genetic viability even more severely than at present. The IUCN SSC Equid Specialist Group recommends 2,500 wild horses as a viable population in their natural habitat, not this token figure. This I see as a mean-spirited set up against these wonderful national heritage animals and a caving into the public lands ranchers, whose checking is your official duty, not this!</p> <p>I remember how very afraid the wild horses were then I visited this herd back in May of 2015, and how they ran off as soon as my automobile appeared within a mile. This is an indication of their being harassed even killed and it is this that you as public officials should concern yourself with, not more severe reduction. Remember that the Wild Horse and Burro Act stipulates that the wild horses, not livestock, have the principal forage and other habitat requirements within their legal areas. I urge you to cut back on the livestock here and to increase the AML for the wild horses. This would be the right and honorable course! And please remember what great preventers of catastrophic wildfires the wild horses are, as well as soils builders and seed dispersers. They enhance the ecosystem and as post-gastric digesters lend a much needed balance vis-a-vis all of the ruminant foragers that are overly promoted here.</p> <p>Before closing, I would like to inform you that the habitat I observed back in late May 2015 had been intensively grazed by and seeded for cattle and there were watering places specifically developed for them. After spending most of a day there and visiting several portions of the HMA it became plain to me that this HMA was being managed by far primarily for livestock, not the wild horses, and this runs very much contrary to Section 2 c of the WFHBA. This defines a wild horse/burro range, or legal area (and an Herd Area IS such) as "the amount of land necessary to sustain an existing herd or herds of wild free-roaming horses and burros ... and which is devoted principally but not necessarily exclusively to their welfare" (meaning the wild horses and burros). Currently there are ca 500 acres of legal HMA habitat per remaining horse, and this should not be considered an overpopulation. I urge you to defend the rights of the wild horses, not further set them up for failure. I am also very much opposed to the PZPing of these animals, which weakens their immune systems and sets them up for failure. PZP makes them miserable, disrupts their social structures, and counteracts their natural training of young, social cohesion and repression by mature horses of reproduction by the young, as well as ecological adaptation.</p> <p>Please adopt the sound principles of Reserve Design and increase the AML for these sprited and beautiful horses of which the General Public greatly appreciates and would like to see more, not less to greatly enhance their Quality of Life.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1846	<p>The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. Land continues to be taken away from our wild horses, and this must be stopped.</p> <p>43 CFR 4710.5 - Closure to livestock grazing. eCFR Authorities (U.S. Code) § 4710.5 Closure to livestock grazing. (a) If necessary to provide habitat for wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros from disease, harassment or injury, the authorized officer may close appropriate areas of the public lands to grazing use by all or a particular kind of livestock. Please manage our wild horses for the herd's protection and preservation, as intended by the Wild Free Roaming Horse and Burros Act of 1971..... Currently you are managing them to extinction, with low AML numbers, below genetic viability.... Please protect our wild herds for future generations..... Remove grazing permits from Herd Management Areas. Please.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1848	This is a bad idea and it saddens me. I am for the horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1849	I am very opposed to the BLM’s plans to remove 90% of the Onaqui Herd of wild horses in Utah this fall.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1850	Please do not round up the Onaqui wild horses. Please leave them free. Use the humane method of population control- PZP.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1851	<p>Trapping 90 percent of the Onaqui Herd is excessive and exceeds what is determined to be "excess" animals.</p> <p>BLM intends to add 379 horses into an already over-burdened Adoption Program, this is self-defeating and irrational.</p> <p>PZP treatment of yearlings that may be too young should be prohibited until further scientific research is conducted on the effect of PZP usage on extremely young females. PZP should only be used on mares who have already produced offspring.</p> <p>It is not clear in the information provided whether horses (based on 'color') will be released or entered into adoption. Color is mentioned as a desirable trait to adopters.</p> <p>Will only plain colored horses be released, thus, impacting genetics of the wild herd, and also, creating less interest for the public who travel to observe Wild Horses in their natural. habitat by leaving a preponderance of plain colored horses on the range?</p> <p>The popularity of the Onaqui Herd to the Public and to Tourists is an economic boon to Utah and should be counted as a viable asset.</p> <p>Reducing the herd to low AML decreases the likelihood of seeing horses for those who travel to see them. Sex-skewing and PZP treatment of the few released horses alters their natural behaviors. These behaviors are what creates the "wildness" of these beautiful animals. Their interactions to one another, as in family bands, bachelor bands and breeding individuals is what is captivating to observers.</p> <p>By reducing numbers to low AML or by creating neutered unnatural animals, BLM is encouraging those who have traveled to see Wild Horses in their raw capacity, to only venture further beyond viewing positions and into the landscape. Natural interacting bands should be available for public viewing.</p> <p>Livestock Grazing actions are scheduled to be addressed in the 2019 Fiscal Year. No decisions should be made to reduce Wild Horse numbers until after the Livestock Grazing numbers are addressed as 43CFR4710.5 which dictates that livestock reductions or removals should be considered first, to insure range forage quality for Wild Horses in HMAs where horses are present.</p> <p>Economic increases of livestock management since 1970 referred to, economics of private cattle owners are not in the scope of this EA and should not be considered.</p> <p>Economic priority of cattle, in all likelihood, results in rangeland health detriment.</p>	<p>Refer to the Fertility Control EA for BLM’s goals and treatment schedule. The adjustment to treat yearlings is to help the horses mature and be in good health before having a foal.</p> <p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1852	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1853	I ask if you have consulted with equine biologists and horse advocates to determine if this extreme number of horses to be removed is a fair assessment? Why is it that the size of this area is not sufficient for more wild horses. Biologists have stated time and time again that the mustangs make better use of these lands, no matter if dry or scrubby habitats than any cattle have ever done. Mustangs are suitable for this habitat; as much a part of it than the other wild species that eak out their own existances. Why does the BLM Always target mustangs as if they are the reason for all the problems of so called range management. Simply keep these horses on the lands that they were born on, the lands that they know well, the lands they know how to survive on. Removing wild horses is basically a death sentence when the public now knows the BLM wants to sent mustangs to slaughter. If you profess to care about the quality of life for these horses, then do NOT remove them where we do know the outcome for them will be death.	<p>BLM has completed literature reviews and consulted with peer reviewed articles. Persons/organizations who have participated in the BLM's public scoping and comment periods can be identified in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and Comment Report (BLM 2018) prepared for this EA.</p> <p>Refer also to the EA at Section 5.2, Table 7, 5.4 and 5.5 through 5.5.2.</p> <p>BLM has established an AML for this herd. Refer to the EA at Sections 1.2, 1.6.3 and 3.3.1.</p> <p>Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1854	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1855	decimation of this njumber of this herd is uncalled for and quite honestly horrifying to many. Please continue with the current work to prevent breeding. Volunteers are actively working for an alternative to slaughter, which is where these horses will end up in your plan. please stop	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1856	<p>[1] We have concerns about the EA specifically not addressing an expansion of the field darting aspect of Onaqui’s wild horse management plan, the very low AML, and the continued grazing of 527 cattle (on two allotments within the Onaqui Mountain HMA) and 8000 sheep while moving forward with plans to gather and remove most of the Onaqui wild horses. We support the general idea behind Alternative A – Proposed Action, but our concerns with the Proposed Action are detailed below:</p> <p>[2]• “Decreasing the numbers of excess wild horses on the range is consistent with findings and recommendations from the National Academy of Sciences (NAS), American Horse Protection Association (AHPA), the American Association of Equine Practitioners (AAEP), Humane Society of the United States (HSUS), Government Accountability Office (GAO), Office of the Inspector General (OIG), and current BLM policy” (EA, p. 2). This is a misleading statement. These organizations have all made statements about wild horse management on public lands, but each of these organizations is coming at the issue with different degrees of experience. The HSUS, for example, agrees that there are some areas where wild horse populations are higher than BLM’s desired numbers, and is not necessarily opposed to removals if they are conducted alongside fertility control programs that ensure that 90% of the mares remaining on the range are treated with fertility control, which would allow for slower gather and removal scenarios in the future (Senior Wildlife Fertility Control Policy Manager, personal communication). Nuances like this are not captured with sweeping statements about how all manner of organizations support the idea that horses seem to be the single most dramatic cause of deterioration on our rangelands.</p> <p>[3]• “The BLM must protect rangeland resources and to (sic) prevent unnecessary or undue degradation of the public lands associated with excess populations of wild horses within the HMA and use of rangeland resources outside the HMA boundaries” (EA, p. 3). Addressing horses as the culprit, while allowing cattle and sheep grazing, encourages divisiveness. Analyzing impacts to our ranges under all livestock and wild animal activities, without blame to one or another and with forward-thinking, adaptive management technique is the only path to sustainability. Public Employees for Environmental Responsibility (PEER) note the unevenness in the BLM’s consideration of various “ungulate impacts on range conditions versus those of domestic livestock”: for example, calculations of the impacts to range condition in a BLM and USGS publication (Summary of Science, Activities, Programs, and Policies That Influence the Rangewide Conservation of Greater Sage-Grouse) did not equally analyze cattle versus horses on sage-grouse habitat (all sage-grouse habitat considered when calculating wild horse impacts, and only sage-grouse habitat within grazing allotments which have failed the Land Health Standards for wildlife considered when calculating cattle impacts).</p> <p>[4]• “The AML was set at 159 wild horses with a range of 121 – 210” (EA, p. 6). AML is a range so that the low end can be achieved, and then there is sufficient time between gathers. These numbers were determined based on gather-and-removal-ONLY management scenarios. The Salt Lake Field Office should bring AML into context with this HMA’s management plan, which includes fertility control. Horse numbers could be managed at 25% above high AML with an adequate program. Additionally, this field office has an opportunity to work closely with its partners and with sanctuary and advocacy groups to gather and place horses in their family bands.</p> <p>[5]• “...if gather efficiencies during the initial gather do not allow for attainment of the Proposed Action...the BLM SLFO would return to the Onaqui Mountain HMA to remove excess horses above AML” (EA, p. 9). We urge the Agency to trap and remove horses in smaller numbers, over a longer period of time, while also continuing to administer fertility control vaccine via darting. We also ask to increase the number of mares receiving fertility control by administering PZP to a large percentage of mares captured during trapping (then releasing those mares).This approach will affect both a more economically conservative, as well as positive population management outcome to successfully reduce reproduction.</p> <p>[6]• “BLM SLFO would use bait/water trapping and/or helicopter drive trapping for gather purposes” (EA, p. 10). By what measure is this deemed “safe” and “humane?” National Park Service (NPS) does not use helicopters for wild horse gathers because they have determined the exact opposite of this: using helicopters to gather wild horses is neither safe nor humane (8th Annual Wildlife Fertility Control Conference, Washington D.C.). Though outside of the scope of this EA, we would like it stated that we are opposed to the use of helicopters for the following reasons: (1) Though SOPs for gathering animals with the use of helicopters are established, there are numerous instances where SOPs are not followed, with little or no consequence to the BLM district offices or the contractor; (2) Horses are extremely stressed during helicopter round ups; and (3) Mares and foals are easily separated.</p> <p>[7]• “Alternatives Considered but Eliminated” (EA, p. 16) included “adjustments to AML numbers” and “increase PZP treatments.” We find it confusing that an adjustment to the AML was eliminated from consideration according to this list, but the State of Utah plans include “adjusting AML numbers where appropriate.” It is disheartening to read that the EA completely eliminated the simplest way to affect the population growth rate: by increasing the number of mares receiving fertility control vaccine. We understand the limits of PZP as a sole population management tool, but it is part of what can make or break a population growth curve when applied at an appreciable level alongside slowed gather-removal plans.</p> <p>[8]• “Wild horses are introduced species within North America and have few natural predators” (EA, p. 17). This is oversimplified and should be reconsidered. Horses are a reintroduced native wildlife species in North America (“Mitochondrial-DNA time-table and evolution of Equus: comparison of molecular and paleontological evidence,” Ann Forsten, Annales Zoologici Fennici, Vol. 28, No.3/4, Bjorn Kurten – a memorial volume (1991), pp. 301-309). They did have natural predators at one time; those natural predators have been hunted or displaced by human development. Simplifying the place that wild horses hold in our landscape places them squarely into a management scenario roughly equivalent to “pest”.</p> <p>[9]• “Population modeling was completed for the HMA using Version 1.40 of the WinEquus” (EA, p. 18). Win Equus had not been able to</p>	<p>[1] Action alternatives A and B and the No Action alternative (C), all include the use of fertility control vaccinations. Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p> <p>[2] Refer to BLM’s response to Number 1767.</p> <p>[3] Refer to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018a) and Comment Report (BLM 2018d) sections discussing livestock grazing.</p> <p>[4] At this point in time increasing the AML would be in direct conflict with the adaptive management requirements in the ARMPA. BLM looks forward to continuing to work with volunteers and groups to continue PZP treatments and to find homes for horses placed into the adoption and or sale programs.</p> <p>[5] Refer to BLM’s response to comment 1738.</p> <p>[6] BLM would continue to utilize the procedures outline in the CAWP (BLM 2015).</p> <p>[7] As stated in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) adjusting the AML numbers is not warranted. BLM has already considered and issued a decision on the established AML number and has incorporated that assessment into this process (EA at Section 1.5). Similarly BLM has addressed the application of fertility control vaccinations (EA at sections 1.5, 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4).</p> <p>[8] BLM does not consider horses to be “pest” and continues to manage horses to have healthy rangelands and healthy horses. Management of predators and hunting is under the authority of the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources.</p> <p>[9] Population modeling was finalized and included in the EA at Appendix D.</p> <p>[10] Changes made to EA section 4.2.1.1</p> <p>[11]It is unclear what exactly the commenter is saying in this comment. The BLM addressed the appropriate management level for wild horses when it approved the 2003 AML Land Use Plan Amendment. Refer to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018a) section discussion livestock grazing.</p> <p>[12] The SLFO remains committed to utilizing all available tools that humanely manage wild horses within the HMA.</p>

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	<p>model population growth rates, gather and removal, and fertility control in an interleaved fashion. Is Version 1.40 able to? Modeling population growth rates, gather and removal scenarios, implementation of fertility control at various levels, and the economic scalability of each technique is necessary to develop a successful plan. We are working with collaborative partners (animal welfare organizations, economists, biologists, population ecologists, and legislative analysts) to develop methods for analyzing such management scenarios, and our data indicate that gather and removals or fertility control alone do not keep up with growth rates. A combination of management strategies implemented together make humane and economic sense.</p> <p>[10]• “Also depending on the time of year the current foal crop would be six to nine months of age and may have already been weaned by their mothers” (EA, p. 32). Is there data to support this? While it is standard practice for humans to wean domestic horses from their dams at 4-6 months of age, in the wild, foals stay by their mother’s side at least a year.</p> <p>[11]• “Studies examining the impacts of feral wild horses on arid ecosystems in the Great Basin reveal some consistent and inconsistent impacts” (EA, p. 44). This was discussed at the Society for Range Management’s 2018 conference in Reno. Plant productivity is not affected by trampling, though areas heavily impacted by animals look pathetic. In terms of management where cattle and sheep may be in and out of an area periodically, and horses may be present year round, are parameters measured such as the impact at one particular site, and if it is making much of an impact beyond that site? In other words, perhaps one area is heavily used, but an area a quarter of a mile away is lightly used, or not used at all?</p> <p>[12] Wild horse management on our public lands is not simple, but solutions are possible. They will, however, require a proactive approach, with field offices stepping up to the challenges and hard work of true adaptive management. Thus far, the management of wild horses has resulted in huge expenditures and horses warehoused for life, and – as we are all more than aware -- the National Academy of Sciences stated (in 2013) that repeated roundup and removal was “expensive and unproductive for the BLM and the public it serves.” We deeply appreciate that the Salt Lake Field Office is thinking somewhere outside of the usual box. We encourage re-visitation of a real increase in the use of fertility control vaccine, and would welcome and support whole-heartedly a slowed gather-removal scenario while fertility control is increased.</p> <p>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</p>	
1857	Thank you	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1858	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1859	I oppose the Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) plan to proceed with this Proposed Action that would round up 90 percent of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1860	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1861	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1862	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1863	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1864	I strongly oppose the BLM's plan to sell 90 % of the Onaqui Herd.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1865	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1866	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1867	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1868	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1869	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1870	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1871	I am not clear of which Chapter/ Section reference but I believe my heading sums up the location. The BLM desire to reduce 90% of the above referenced herd is untenable. This time I am not on the side of cattle ranchers. 205k acres is more than sufficient to take care of this mustang herd. Ranchers cannot be so selfish. Please use Drugs now known to keep mares from foaling. Much cheaper than cruel helicopter round ups and storing horses. I will also be righting my Congressman and anyone else that can have influence on this item. I sincerely appreciate your attention to this matter.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1872	Why are you doing this? Start working for the people who are paying you to do your job. Americans do not want your interference with wild horses. It's ridiculous that we should have to fight our own government to defend these beautiful creature. Stop welfare farming and leave these horses alone. You should be ashamed of yourselves.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1873	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1874	I wish to comment on your plans to decimate the Onaqui Wild Horses. I cannot understand the logic of doing this to the herd. I understand that feed and water may be an issue in areas,but all that public land,surely 450 horse's is not a huge number. To maintain viability this amount is not excessive. Why are you not at least administering PCP to the Mares to control the reproduction,,especially when it has been proven to work. Please reconsider your plans as the actions of BLM are being seen all over the world, and mostly not viewed as being good for the Wild Horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1875	I am writing to you, in dismay, at the plan to over cull the wild horses of Utah on public land. Any politician who supports this practice will give my vote to his/her opponent. I am against, not only the cruelty of this action, but the ignorance and greed that promotes it.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1876	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1877	This is ridiculous! You are in the pockets of the ranchers. STOP! If 205,000 acres can only support 120 horses, I'm just curious as to how many cattle and sheep those same 205,000 acres are currently supporting?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1878	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1879	Please leave these herds alone. You must not round them up- you can do better and manage them with PZP. We cherish these horses- please stop the systematic elimination!! They are beautiful and belong on the range!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1880	I cannot imagine how 250,000 acres cannot support the entire herd. This is animal cruelty at the very least, and torture at worst. The horses belong on this land. Many groups and tribes oppose this . The horses should remain where they are. Please give justification why they cannot. The world is watching. Do the right thing. Protect these beautiful creatures.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1881	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1882	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1883	These are valuable and admired equine that should be protected.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1884	All that really needed to happen decades ago was for people to opt for smaller families, but we couldn't do that, could we? Who would be reaping the Mormon 10% tithings? So you know, I have pretty much disownd my Brigham Young Mormon heritage, and I'm sure it has long since disowned me. "Business as usual" is not working. I'll fight for these horses to the bitter end.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1885	Why is it necessary to remove these horses from their home? I am worried that BLM will destroy the wild horse herd completely, just because the cattlemen wants them gone and considers them a nuisance. These wild horses were given protections in 1971 to prevent this and it seems these protections have disappeared. Wild horses are part of our history and also an icon to the public. Just think how much revenue the wild horses would bring, if there were a way for public to see them wild. The public wants these horses to stay wild and be left alone. Wild horses do not ruin the ecosystem, cows & sheep does that. There is so much I can say in favor of the wild horses being left alone but BLM and the government do not care how the nation feels. BLM & govenment only cares what the cattlemen wants and is prepared to do their bidding.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1886	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1887	i would like to recommend this program of birth control in contrast to your helicopter round up. It works for us on Assateauge Islsnd. Please try this first	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1888	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1889	The famed Onaqui wild horses who live on our public lands near Salt Lake City, Utah need your help. In just a few months, the BLM will begin removing these beloved horses from the range. Families will be shattered and 379 of these magnificent animals will lose their freedom forever. In honor of Independence Day, please leave these horses in their natural habitat let them go on to preserve the natural beauty and a national treasure.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1890	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1891	Same or variation of Number 1908.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1908.
1892	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1893	Do your job - protect our nation's wild horses. Stop the inhumane roundups and barbaric experiments. God is watching	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1894	Leave these wild horses alone. There must be more important things for our government to deal with instead of the Wild Horses which are just fine if left alone.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1895	Leave the wild horses of Onaqui alone - I'm sure you must have better things to do than worry about the wild horses. We have adopted several and they are wonderful horses. They need to stay with there family groups and in the area that they are thriving in. Maybe the farmers/government should learn to deal with it they were here a long time before the farmers.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1896	"manage, protect, and control ". What happened to protect? These are historically significant equine, they are valuable. They are admired, NO ONE will admire BLM & their round up, except for those lining their own pockets, on the backs of taxpayers with horse blood money. Why can't you, BLM, be the Good Guys?	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1897	<p>Please accept the following comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed roundup and removal of wild horses who reside inside and outside the Onaqui Herd Management Area (HMA). I oppose the BLM’s plan to roundup and permanently remove 390 horses – approximately 75 percent of the herd, and continue to remove horses over the next 10 years to reach the low Appropriate Management Level (AML) of just 121 horses. This number is below the number of wild horses necessary to have in a herd in order to maintain genetic viability. The leading geneticist on wild horses, According to Dr. Gus Cothren there must be 150-200 breeding aged adults in order to maintain genetic viability. Removal down to this number is a recipe for disaster for this well known and much beloved herd. The Appropriate Management Level should be increased to 450 and the land that was taken away from this Herd Management Area should be restored to active HMA status so that once again the Onaqui Herd Management Area is 507,681 acres. The EA is inadequate because it failed to consider a number of critical impacts and alternatives. In order to comply with NEPA, the final EA must include the following alternatives as revisions to the Proposed Action: The BLM should reduce livestock grazing in this area by implementing reductions in livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a). and manage wild horses as the principle species here, as they are mandated to do. The BLM has a statutory mandate to protect wild horses, while livestock grazing is permitted only at the discretion of the Interior Department. Livestock grazing is not required to fulfill the agency’s “multiple use” mandate. It is far more cost effective to curtail taxpayer-subsidized commercial livestock grazing in this area than it is to permanently remove wild horses from the range. The BLM should restore Herd Area territory to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress; The BLM must consider the social and economic impacts of the proposed removal of 75 percent of this wild horse herd on the recreational users of these public lands who visit this area specifically to view and photograph the Onaqui horses.</p> <p>The removal of these horses would greatly impact the county’s tourism income from people traveling to visit these wild horses. The costs to roundup and remove these wild horses plus the additional cost of warehousing them in holding facilities and feed lots is far greater than managing them on our public lands. The BLM should designate the Onaqui HMA as a National Wild Horse Range due to its proximity to Salt Lake City, the accessibility of the Onaqui herds for photographing and wild horse viewing, the popularity of this herd with visitors and tourists and the economic benefits of the Onaqui horses to the local area;</p> <p>KSL-TV</p> <p>Up close and personal: Utah's wild horses draw crowds</p> <p>An occasional visitor to mustang territory is Rep. Jason Chaffetz. He sometimes stalks the horses with a camera and has captured several impressive action shots.</p> <p>"They're graceful; they're beautiful," Chaffetz said. "But they like to fight, too. And that's the fun of it."</p> <p>https://www.ksl.com/?sid=39994951&nid=148</p> <p>Wild horses should be managed on the range, on our public lands where they belong, not rounded up with helicopters, ripped from their families and the only home they have ever known and warehoused in feedlots and potentially killed, shipped overseas or sent to slaughter. America’s few remaining wild horse and burro herds to not deserve this fate. America’s Public Lands, resources and Wildlife belong to all of us and to generations that have not yet been born, not to private/corporate interests. Will BLM’s legacy be that of the agency that destroyed the last of America’s Wild Horses?</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1898	Stop round up the wild horses! They also bring in a lot of money from tourists that want to see them in the wild, not in holding pens. Just stop it. 80% of Americans want them to stay wild and free. There are still a lot of people that have no idea that this is going on.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1899	Leave the wild horses free!!!! There is no need to round them up!!!! Except greed!! The American people are watching and are no longer going to accept this deceit!!!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1900	Everytime I see an email from Wild Hoofbeats I cringe...its always bad news regarding a roundup of our American Icon, wild horses. Now this area, Onaqui, with just enough wild horses to be sustained there, are planning on rounding up more than what is necessary. I;m completely against the round up of so many of the wild horses in this area!! There is no reason to take so many!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1901	Please don't decimate this herd. It's not right and the public does not want you to do it. Please manage humanly on range. Don't do it!!! When it's voting time we won't forget.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1902	Comment:Cattle grazing has gone too far. This land entrusted to BLM is not being properly or fairly managed. It does not consider the needs of all Americans and is greatly biased toward cattle ranchers. The public should not be forced to subsidize wealthy ranchers or those who cannot ranch unless they have nearly free government land. This beef does not make any meaningful contribution to the food supply in America. It does nothing to conserve our land, and it is unfairly removing access to the land for other needs. Grazing prevents the land from making any money off of tourism. That is an industry that is not fully or fairly explored. It is renewable and does not damage the public land nearly as much as the cattle. The cost of roundups would no longer be a burden to the US taxpayers. The time has come. The BLM has been a pushover for the cattle industry. The recent invasion of Malheur by the Bundys and the Arson by the Hammond family are two examples in Oregon, of how badly the BLM has lost control of the situation. There are more in Nevada and elsewhere. It is time to stop. It is getting to destructive and too dangerous. Stop the permits. Grazing is not a legal right, public access to public lands is.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1903	I’m writing in regards to removing wild horses from BLM land. These horses are an important part of our heritage. There are already far too many horses in holding while horses in the wild cost the public nothing and reproduction in horses is remarkably low. In perfect conditions a mare can only have one foal/year and most wild herds have minimal annual population increases. In particular, the Onaqui herd in Utah has volunteers managing fertility control programs already and reducing this herd will negatively impact genetic diversity, likely to the point of extinction. This herd is world famous for its beauty and popularity with tourists. I urge you to do the right thing and keep our mustangs wild. They are an important part of the ecosystem and valuable national treasures just as they are - wild.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1904	Same or variation of Number 36.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 36.
1905	<p>Beaver County Utah, respectfully files the following comments on the above-referenced BLM Environmental Assessment for the Onaqui Wild Horse Herd Management Area Population Control, dated June, 2018.</p> <p>Beaver County's interest in this matter arises from the fact that wild horse populations across our county, and across all BLM Horse Management Areas in general, have multiplied to the extent they have become a nuisance and a serious threat to rangeland health conditions. The current wild horse population in the Onaqui Mountain HMA far exceeds the Appropriate Management Level (AML) of 121 – 210 horses. The current population estimate for this area is 455 animals, not including the 2018 year foal crop. Too many horses within the HMA has also led to numerous horses now permanently residing outside the HMA boundaries that need to be immediately removed. The consequences of an over-population of wild horses on the landscape will be a severely damaged rangeland and grossly malnourished animals.</p> <p>The upper AML has been established for all HMAs to represent “the maximum population for which a thriving natural ecological balance can be maintained.” In the Onaqui Mountain HMA, this AML is being far exceeded by more than double. This overpopulation of wild horses will lead to serious rangeland health problems, destruction of riparian areas and the deterioration of the health of the horses themselves. Proper management of the range resources and proper management of the wild horse health would both dictate removal of excess horses down to a population within AML.</p> <p>Proper management of Wild Horses and Burros is stipulated within the Wild Free Roaming Horses and Burros Act in 43 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR):</p> <p>43 CFR 4700.0-2 One of the objectives regarding wild horse management is to manage wild horses “as an integral part of the natural system of the public lands under the principle of multiple use . . .”</p> <p>43 CFR 4700.0-6(a-c) Requires that BLM manage wild horses “...as self-sustaining populations of healthy animals in balance with other uses and the productive capacity of their habitat ... considered comparably with other resource values ...” while at the same time “...maintaining free-roaming behavior.”</p> <p>43 CFR 4710.3-1 “Herd management areas shall be established [through the land use planning process] for the maintenance of wild horse and burro herds. In delineating each herd management area, the authorized officer shall consider the appropriate management level for the herd, the habitat requirements of the animals, the relationships with other uses of the public and adjacent private lands, and the constraints contained in 4710.4. The authorized officer shall prepare a herd management area plan, which may cover one or more herd management areas.”</p> <p>43 CFR 4710.4 “Management of wild horses and burros shall be undertaken with the objective of limiting the animals' distribution to herd areas. Management of wild horses shall be at the minimum level necessary to attain the objectives identified in approved land use plans and herd management area plans.”</p> <p>43 CFR 4720.1 “Upon examination of current information and a determination by the authorized officer that an excess of wild horses or burros exists, the authorized officer shall remove the excess animals immediately.”</p> <p>Under 43 CFR 4180, it is required that all BLM management actions achieve or maintain healthy rangelands.</p> <p>With a wild horse population that has far exceeded AML in this area, none of these objectives are being met. It is imperative that these excess wild horses be removed!!</p> <p>Beaver County would give preference to Alternative A in the Action Alternatives within the EA, to remove excess wild horses below AML and then implement population growth suppression. The additional use of fertility control treatments will slow the population growth and reduce the need to regather horses. Also, this plan, in the long term, will reduce the numbers of wild horses sent to permanent long term holding facilities. However, this plan will require repeated retreatments of the PZP vaccine to be effective. There will also need to be a recurring effort to gather excess animals as population growth dictates.</p> <p>Wild Horses are a wonderful resource, particularly this herd area that is so popular with the public, but they must be managed appropriately to balance the other resources and range needs. The current over-population of horses is creating a severe imbalance and is very detrimental to the range, wildlife, livestock and to the horses themselves. We fully support and encourage all efforts to bring wild horse numbers under the AML and to maintain that level.</p>	BLM’s background information, purpose of the gathers/population control measures, plan conformance, relationship to statutes and policy, and issues being considered are contained in the EA at Sections 1.2 through 1.6.3. Reoccurring gathers (helicopter/water trapping) and utilization fertility control vaccines, are part of the proposed action (EA at Section 2.2). Based on additional public comment, BLM has also included sterilization as part of Alternative B (Section 2.3)
1906	It is time for this to end. Killing 90% of this herd is outrageous and the horses will suffer in so many ways. Additionally, the remaining population will not be genetically sustainable. Please allow the fertility program to continue and have an impact before you decimate this herd. You know inevitably what their fate will be. These are our public lands and the overwhelming majority do not approve of these roundups. Start listening to popular opinion and to those who actually own these public lands versus special interests. Seriously, please do not kill these horses. Let them be. There is an iconic stallion in this group as well. Please do not kill them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1908	<p>[1] Please accept the following comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed roundup and removal of wild horses who reside inside and outside the Onaqui Herd Management Area (HMA).</p> <p>[2] I oppose the BLM’s plan to roundup and permanently remove 390 horses – approximately 75 percent of the herd, and continue to remove horses over the next 10 years to reach the low Appropriate Management Level (AML) of just 121 horses.</p> <p>[3] I support the BLM’s use of fertility control in this HMA and agree with lowering the age of the mares for initial treatment from 2, 3, and 4 years old to 1, 2, and 3 years old, and use of bait trapping for mares who are difficult to vaccinate via remote darting.</p> <p>[4] However, the BLM has failed to adequately use PZP in this HMA, even though the majority of horses are accessible for remote darting. The BLM must expand the PZP program in the Onaqui HMA to vaccinate enough mares to significantly reduce population growth rates and humanely reduce population numbers, as necessary, over time.</p> <p>[5] The EA is inadequate because it failed to consider a number of critical impacts and alternatives. In order to comply with NEPA, the final EA must include the following alternatives as revisions to the Proposed Action:</p> <p>[a] Manage the population with fertility control, not removals in accordance with the recommendations of the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) in its 2013 report. Immediately vaccinate a sufficient number of mares yearly to attain zero population growth in the shortest amount of time;</p> <p>[b] Maintain the current wild horse population without removals by implementing reductions in livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a). The BLM has a statutory mandate to protect wild horses, while livestock grazing is permitted only at the discretion of the Interior Department. Livestock grazing is not required to fulfill the agency’s “multiple use” mandate. It is far more cost effective to curtail taxpayer-subsidized commercial livestock grazing in this area than it is to permanently remove wild horses from the range.</p> <p>[c] Increase the AML in this HMA to, at minimum, accommodate the current population level, making forage adjustments, if necessary, pursuant to CFR 43 C.F.R. 4710.5(a) to ensure that wild horses are given equitable usage of our public lands;</p> <p>[d] Restore Herd Area territory to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress;</p> <p>[e] Designate the Onaqui HMA as a National Wild Horse Range due to its proximity to Salt Lake City, the accessibility of the Onaqui herds for photographing and wild horse viewing, the popularity of this herd with visitors and tourists and the economic benefits of the Onaqui horses to the local area;</p> <p>[f] Limit removals to no more than 50 per a year and manage the population at the high AML. The AML range was established to allow the population to grow in the years between roundups; if the population is being managed properly with PZP fertility control, then an AML range is unnecessary.</p> <p>[g] Welfare impacts to the Onaqui horses given the BLM’s request to Congress to lift killing/slaughter bans;</p> <p>[h] Social and economic impacts of the proposed removal of 75 percent of this wild horse herd on the recreational users of these public lands who visit this area specifically to view and photograph the Onaqui horses.</p> <p>[6] These public lands belong to ALL Americans, and all Americans should have a say in their management. Please give serious consideration to these comments.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	<p>[1] A response is not warranted on the introductory paragraph (H-1790-1, section 6.9.2.1 substantive comments).</p> <p>[2] Statement is in opposition to BLM’s wild horse program activities; including gather and removal of herd numbers at low end AML. A response is not warranted (H-1790-1, section 6.9.2.1 substantive comments).</p> <p>[3] Statement is in support to BLM’s wild horse program activities; including fertility control and treatment age of mares and the use of trapping. A response is not warranted (H-1790-1, section 6.9.2.1 substantive comments).</p> <p>[4] BLM discusses it use of PZP (or an alternative to PZP) (since 2015) in the HMA in the EA at multiple places (including sections 1.5, 1.6.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 4.2.1.1, 4.2.2.1, 4.2.3.1 and Appendix E. Additional information is contained in the Scoping Report.</p> <p>As tiered to in Section 1.5, BLM outlines its fertility control measures in addition to those defined in Section 2.2 and Appendix E. BLM acknowledges that funding and workforce could limit the use/application or treatments/effectiveness of PZP.</p> <p>[5] In compliance with the NEPA and the NEPA Handbook, BLM considered in detail three alternatives (Sections 2.2-2.4) and considered but eliminated 15 alternatives (Section 2.5). Additional details are provided in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018).</p> <p>[a] BLM addresses no gather operations and the continued use of PZP under the No Action Alternative (Section 2.4). BLM considered but eliminated an alternative that addressed population controls only with fertility control and no removals. Refer to 1. No Gatherers or Maintenance Activities within the HMA; 6. Increase PZP Treatments; and 14. Use of Alternative Capture Techniques Instead of Helicopter Capture (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[b] The wild horse program regulations at 43 CFR §4710.5 (a), (b) or (c) (Closure to livestock grazing.) do not apply in this instance for the following reasons:</p> <p>(a) If necessary to provide habitat for wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros, to implement herd management actions, or to protect wild horses or burros from disease, harassment or injury, the authorized officer may close appropriate areas of the public lands to grazing use by all or a particular kind of livestock. [BLM reviewed the HMA/HA boundaries and the AML in 2003. This review/plan amendment, also established that wild horses, wildlife, and livestock could be supported on the management units (allotments/HMA) at prescribed levels. There have been no reports of disease transmission between wild horses and livestock, or harassment or injury of wild horses due to livestock or permittees/herder. There have been reports of recreationalists approaching herds/individual to close. There have also been reports of small bands attacking and injuring saddle horses in the Government Creek and Juab County line area].</p> <p>(b) All public lands inhabited by wild horses or burros shall be closed to grazing under permit or lease by domestic horses and burros. [There are no permitted/allotted domestic horse AUMs on the allotments intersecting the HMA.]</p> <p>(c) Closure may be temporary or permanent. After appropriate public consultation, a Notice of Closure shall be issued to affected and interested parties. [As stated in the Scoping Report, BLM continues to review the grazing permits on a routine/rotating basis. This process will include a rangeland health assessment of the grazing allotments beginning in fiscal year 2019. Livestock actual use continues at or below permitted levels on the allotments intersecting the HMA. Livestock numbers remain as permitted and identified in the 2003 ALM EA.]</p> <p>Refer to 5. Reductions/Closures in Livestock Grazing (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[c & d] BLM considered but eliminated the following: 2. Adjustments to HMA or HA Boundaries and 4. Adjustments to AML Numbers (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[d] same</p> <p>[e] BLM considered but eliminated designating a National Wild Horse Range (EA at Section 2.5 and Scoping Report).</p> <p>[f] Due to funding constraints, the BLM has been managing the HMA for numbers in excess of the AML for several years. The wild horse reproductive rate including fertility control measures have been out of balance with the AML as established in BLM 2003. Removing 50 a year is not acceptable even at high end AML. No information has been provided to justify this arbitrary number.</p> <p>[g] BLM policies including its position regarding slaughter are maintained online. Refer to the Scoping</p>

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		<p>Report at A. Issues. 1. Policy/Funding/Education. Refer also to BLM’s response to Number 1.</p> <p>[h] The HMA would remain open to public viewing of wild horses regardless of the alternative selected. EA at Appendix B (recreation use and socio/economic). Frequently used areas for viewing would still be available and utilized by the public. Viewing could be reduced over the short-term within the ESR area but will return once the temporary fence has been removed.</p> <p>[6] BLM agrees with this statement. The public have been participating in a scoping (Section 5.4.1) and comment period (Section 5.4.2) on this EA [Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and Comment Report (BLM 2018)]. The public fully participated in the preparation of the 2003 Wild Horse Appropriate Management Level and Herd Management Area/Herd Boundary EA, FONSI, and DR (UT-020-2002-100); the 2012 Cedar Mountain and Onaqui Mountain Wild Horse Herd Management Areas Capture, Treat and Release Plan Fertility Control with Limited Removal EA, FONSI, and DR (UT-W010-2011-0031-EA); the 2015 Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area Fertility Control EA, FONSI, and DR (UT-W010-2014-0021-EA); the 2017 Greater Sheeprocks Sage-Grouse Habitat Restoration and Hazardous Fuels Treatment EA, FONSI, and DR (UT-W020-2016-0008-EA); and the 2015 Great Basin Region, Including the Greater Sage-Grouse Sub-Regions of Idaho and Southwestern Montana Nevada and Northeastern California Oregon Utah EIS and ROD.</p>
1909	<p>Hi- my name is Sandy, and I'm respectfully sending this letter, and plea-to stop the decimation of the Onaqui Horses. I believe these horses to be the last vestiges of freedom the American West, and I don't understand how the government can Constitutionally claim that land, and seemingly work to "cull" the wild horses. Horse lovers, and MANY organizations striving to protect these wild horses, are seemingly facing brick walls, when it comes to the blm. I think that it's inhumane, and an absolute disgrace to break up these FAMILIES of horses, sending most</p> <p>(especially the older stallions, who have been around for decades)to a certain death. I remember, as a child, reading "Mustang, Wild Spirit of the West"- and Wild Horse Annie's tireless crusade to save the mustangs. This is no less important today, than it was then.What do we say as a society, that we destroy these lovely icons of freedom? It's absolutely heartbreaking, and morally bankrupt.I hope these horses get to live out their lives as free, living being-</p> <p>Not rounded up, sent to lots, and treated as nothing.Their spirits broken.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1910	<p>These comments are in reference to the proposed removal of this precious herd. With 205, 394 acres as their range, there is ample land! Removing 90% of the herd, will devastate their well being. Rounding them up will frighten the creatures; not to mention the injuries, which will occur. Wild Horses, will balance themselves out, without man's interference!! This removal will spell slaughter for our precious National Treasures.</p> <p>Keep the darned cattle off of this land!! Our Wild Horses, are to be protected; not destroyed. Ending up in dry, barren feed lots; without grass, food, shade; water., is inhumane!! Your Agency has become self-serving for the cattle/ranchers. Start adhering to the original intent: protect; threat them with decency and respect.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1911	<p>Please accept the following comments on the Environmental Assessment (EA) for the proposed roundup and removal of wild horses who reside inside and outside the Onaqui Herd Management Area (HMA).</p> <p>Early this spring I had the wonderful opportunity to photograph the Onaqui Mountain wild horses in Utah. These horses have roamed this area since the 1800s. I learned today that the BLM is planning to round them up the first two weeks of September. I went with a guide, Rob Daugherty of Robs Wildlife Adventures. When I went, there were two other photographers that had flown in from Florida and an older couple who came just to see the horses who were not photographers. Of course while we were there we stayed in local Utah hotels and ate in Utah restaurants. Several people and photographers enjoy the wild horses and bring a lot of tourist money to Utah. These horses earn their keep through the tourist dollars and it would be a shame to round them up and have this wonderful wild resource gone. I had planned to return to photograph the horses again in the fall so I am hopeful that a lot of signatures and comments will help the Utah herd.</p> <p>These public lands belong to ALL Americans, and all Americans should have a say in their management. Please give serious consideration to these comments.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1912	<p>Yet another BLM attack on our (American public's) wild horses. The idea that 205,000 acres are not enough for more than 200 wild horses to survive there YET when there is critical growth of grazing there will be several thousands of cows & sheep - which apparently dont somehow graze??</p> <p>Reducing livestock grazing might possibly inconvenience the allotment users - but certainly wouldnt make a big difference to the American taxpayer, since these users do NOT pay full price for the grazing AND receive subsidies on top of that!</p> <p>There seems to be no consideration for saving tax dollars - NO consideration of preserving a herd of wild horses which themselves do bring ecotourism revenue into the area. I dont ever remember seeing tourists that enjoy looking at cows & sheep in the process of destroying our public lands!</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1913	When you get rid of the 390 (?) horses and send them to slaughter, how many cows will you add? A couple of thousand? Ms. Howell, this has NOTHING to do with horse management. This has to do with SPITE. Stick it to the Libtards, all the horse lovers, anyone who cares for our Publuc Lands. Destroy it all and give us assholes the finger while you do it.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1914	The wild horses are not the only entity impacting the health and stability of the range. The same publicly owned land is also grazed through leases that allow thousands of sheep and cattle to heavily impact the health and stability of the range. The range is currently facing a tough year due to drought and prior damage from wildfires. Those sharing the use of the land through grazing leases should equally share in the reduction of use as needed to maintain range viability. The current 2018 proposal of the BLM to roundup and remove the majority of the Onaqui wild horses would have a significantly devastating impact on the genetic diversity of the remaining Onaqui. This simple biological fact should weigh heavily against the BLM’s proposal. The Onaqui HMA has the ability to humanely sustain more than the suggested low end AML of 125 horses. The current status of “removed horses” is already in an unmanageable and budget draining state. Even the BLM acknowledges that the tens of thousands of horses and burros in holding facilities and leased pastures have reached numbers that are draining available funds. It is illogical to expend even more money to remove and “warehouse” additional wild horses. Other viable options include the need to greatly increase the use of PZP fertility control, especially with a herd that is so approachable. It would be far more humane and cost effective to allow population numbers to decrease by deaths due to predation, natural causes and a reduction of pregnancies. The Onaqui herds are valued by those who live locally and are a popular tourist attraction. The horses are healthy and their numerous micro bands are already scattered over the vast 500,000 acre HMA. An aggressive reduction in population is unnecessary. Please consider the above information seriously before permanently altering and ending the wild lives of any equine on the Onaqui HMA.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1, 1738 and 1754.
1915	Please let all the wild horses stay in peace, don't move them. I beg you!!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1916	Please stop plans to round up and remove America’s most iconic and beloved herd of wild horses. Fertility control works!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1917	Please show some humanity and do not destroy the Onaqui herd. Your charge is to protect the horses. The cattle have their own protectors.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1918	I'd like to take this moment to plead with you to do what you can to stop the planned roundup of the Onaqui herd this Fall. Wild horses, as I'm sure you know already, are among Americas dwindling resources...they're also those things that make America what it is. Please stop the planned roundup of the Onaqui herd this Fall.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1919	I respectfully request that you reconsider the BLM’s plan to round up the Onaqui herd this fall. Humane birth control on the range is the solution. The public is sick of seeing helicopters rounding up beautiful wild horses, to be separated from their families and held in government holding pens for the rest of their lives OR (worse yet) sold to slaughter houses. Then the horses left on the range go on to over-populate the range lands again and the cycle continues. This is not a proper solution! It’s heartbreaking, especially when PZP birth control is known to be effective, inexpensive and humane. Please look to the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group in Arizona as a model for how the Onaqui herd and other wild herds can be managed effectively without roundups. PLEASE stop the madness of the roundups. It’s time to STOP. Let them live wild and free and inoculate them with PZP until the numbers are sufficiently reduced to acceptable levels. Old mustangs will die naturally and the “problem”	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1920	If the HMA were restored to its original acreage of 507,681, not so many would have to be removed, assuming you calculations of how many horses can be sustained per acreage area are correct. Why was the acreage reduced? Helicopters should not be used to round them up; use water and bait traps instead. Using helicopters just traumatizes and terrorizes them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1921	I would like to ask you to reconsider your decision to round up most of the Utah Onaqui wild horse herd this fall. I understand that some type of management is needed but the helicopter round ups are extremely cruel. The use of the fertility control PZP has been very effective in controlling birth rates and it is less expensive and more humane than the round ups and subsequent long term 'storage' in holding pens. These horses are already somewhat used to human contact and would not be difficult to dart by an experienced person.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1922	Traveling across the country from the East Coast, I recently had the privilege of a lifetime to spend time with the Onaqui wild horses. It truly was an honor to be able to see these horses in their world. They are such an integral part of this country, especially the West. In the short time I was able to observe these majestic beings, I learned so much about the wild horse dynamic. As I am sure you know, within the herd there are family bands.....families.....just like you and I have. They are bonded and look out for each other, care for each other. I have spent many years working with shelter animals and still to this day cannot understand why so many of us humans either don’t acknowledge animal bonds, or just discount them. I find it truly heartbreaking, and in the shelter world, try to do what I can to keep bonded animals together. So when I heard of the impending round up of these creatures who have always lived wild and free, I felt the need to speak out and implore those who make decisions about these unsuspecting beings to reconsider the tearing apart of these families and taking these horses from the only life they have known, one of freedom. And to use helicopters to do this?? Surely I can’t be the only one who sees how inhumane this is. Please, please, please put a stop to this practice and look more to options that have been proven to work elsewhere, specifically the use of PZP birth control instead. This is the humane way to deal with population control, and though I believe that is stating the obvious, I still felt I needed to be another voice for those who have no control over what may be coming their way. These horses are not meant to be domesticated and for those who may lose their lives in the process, they did nothing to deserve such treatment. The Onaqui horses can’t speak for themselves. So again, I feel I need to speak out and truly appreciate you’re taking the time to read this e-mail. My time in the presence of the Onaqui wild	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.

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	horses brought about such a peaceful and mystifying feeling. They are magnificent beings who deserve their freedom. God Bless these horses.....and may they always remain wild and free.	
1923	Why on earth would you allow this?! So the rich cattlemen come first and you and your beliefs matter less?!?... I hope you rest well in your grave. You who can make a difference... and don't...??	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1924	I oppose the BLM’s plan to roundup and permanently remove 390 horses – approximately 75 percent of the herd, and continue to remove horses over the next 10 years to reach the low Appropriate Management Level (AML) of just 121 horses. Stop letting cattle graze on public land. These public lands belong to ALL Americans, and all Americans should have a say in their management. Please give serious consideration to these comments.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1925	Please stop your plan to remove the Onaqui wild mustangs from the range. The horses run free on public lands. Your removal of these animals is senseless and cruel. They will lose their freedom forever. By better limiting livestock grazing, current wild horse herd numbers can be accommodated. Restore the original Herd Area territory originally designated by Congress to active management status.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1926	We were out in May observing and taking pictures of the Onaqui Wild Horses. It was a great experience and we can’t believe that there is a need for a gathering and removal of some of these beautiful creatures. They appear to be much healthier then we ever expected. We had heard that the Ranchers are wanting to put more cattle out there to graze, I would hope that this doesn’t have anything to do with the removal of some horses. We don’t have enough land for the wild animals and they seem to be continually edged out. If they were staving I could understand but that doesn’t seem to be the situation.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1927	As a tax paying American I demand BLM start considering the scientific impacts of cattle grazing on the ranges before removing any wild horses from our public lands. You can start with the NAS report (which as a taxpayer I helped pay for) which the BLM discarded when it did not agree with "their own assessment", which caters to the livestock industry. I am highly concerned (and angry) that the stated AML's are not a scientific figure born from accurate data from honest studies, but a made up figure so the BLM can forge full speed ahead with the planned removals. Our beloved wild horses of the Onaqui, and the American public, will pay the price for the BLM's catering to livestock interests, and their refusal to take the time and effort to do accurate studies on what is really degrading the range. It is well documented that cattle destroy the ranges and foul the water sources, yet their impact is not even being considered because BLM knows the findings would not fit the "agenda" they are trying to push for the benefit of the livestock interests. These are PUBLIC LANDS, they are NOT supposed to be managed to benefit cattle ranchers and livestock interests! Please do not insult the American public's intelligence by claiming that the 206,252 acres of the Onaqui HMA cannot support the current population of 450 wild horses. What these lands cannot support is the overpopulation of livestock, for the sole benefit to line the pockets of the cattle industry. Remove the cattle and the existing 450 horses (and the Greater Sage Grouse) will be fine and the range will start to recover. If the cattle are not removed from the range, it will continue to degrade and soon will become a barren wasteland which will never be able to recover. You can educate yourself by reading (scientifically) how cattle versus horses impact the range, the differences are staggering. One more thing, how often have you heard of the American public traveling miles and miles just to photograph the cattle? These wild horse herds (not only the Onaqui) matter to us.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1928	The reason of my message is to beg you to please consider a more humane management of the horse population in Utah. Those horses are the reason i live for since i lost my mom .please they mean the world to me and to many others . I really can not imagine my life without all of them in it. I have been recovering from grief thanks to them and i beg you to please dont remove them . PLEASE PLEASE please...please dont break my heart again and theirs.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1929	Please leave this iconic herd alone~ People have photographed, and watched them for many a year~ Dont you value your ladt living herd of Wild Horses of only 450 horsez on 206,000 acres protected bt the Act of 1971~ Leave the stallion called the Old Man , over 30 years old alone. I cannot believe they need any help from BLM on rezources, they made it this long~ You people are their biggest threat.You should be ashamed as this is not management.As an American Citizen i dont want my tax dollar going towards unnecessary wild horse and burro roundups~The sage grouse are fine as well. I am certain they can find a place with or without destroying the lives of our Legendary Mustangs`. When are you going to listen to the American Public.We do NOT want any gather at Onaqui Mountain~ I oppose the removal of any wild horse on the Onaqui Mt HMA. Leave them free in their family bands , not rounded up to be in same sex pens , gelded, spayed, while we end up feeding them i, their prison corrals~ I have seen your management.To continue doi,g the same thing expecting the outcome to change is insanity~ Let the Onaqui Public Group handle the pzp application as the Remedy` ~ I am almost ashamed to be an American if this is how we treat beloved Wild Horses.Leave them Free on their HMA.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1930	I am writing to you today regarding the upcoming wild horse round up in Utah. I truly hope you will reconsider doing this. The wild horses are thought of by many Americans to be an iconic symbol of this country, especially the West. The horses have lived there for centuries and are quite capable of taking care of themselves if left alone. I understand you and others in the BLM are concerned with population numbers, but rounding them up via helicopters and storing them in holding facilities is not cost effective. In fact, stockpiling the horses and burros instead of implementing solutions is costing taxpayers \$47 million annually. Taxpayers are also on the hook for \$500 million for the public lands ranching program (according to the Center for Biological Diversity). The people benefiting from the roundups and stockpiling are the kill buyers who will purchase these horses and burros according to weight and then resell them to slaughter plants in Mexico and Canada for a profit. This is disgusting!	BLM discusses it use of PZP (or an alternative to PZP) in the HMA in the EA at multiple places (including sections 1.5, 1.6.1, 2.2, 2.3, 2.4, 2.5, 4.2.1.1, 4.2.2.1, 4.2.3.1 and Appendix E. Additional information is contained in the Scoping Report. Refer also to BLM's responses to Numbers 1, 22 and 1738.

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	<p>The other people who will benefit from the roundups are the livestock companies. According to USAspending.gov, the top four livestock companies made \$35 million from wild horse roundup contracts from 2008-2018; and only 3% of U.S. beef comes from public lands even though the ranchers claim the wild horses are destroying the grazing for their cattle. USAspending.gov also sighted that private livestock contractors made \$33 million from operating feedlots for captured wild horses and burros from 2015-2018. So I think it's pretty obvious who is profiting from removing the wild horses - the ranchers, the livestock companies and their lobbyists, and the kill buyers.</p> <p>You can humanely reduce the numbers of wild horses by using the fertility treatment called, PZP. It costs \$30/horse and could save about \$8 million over 12 years in one herd management area alone according to the Journal of Zoo and Wildlife Medicine, 2013. It's a more affordable option and one that many, many Americans would greatly prefer.</p>	
1931	<p>Removing over 300 wild horses is short-sided, unsustainable and a waste of my taxes and a wild animal. "By the BLM’s own admission, the current roundup and removal system is unsustainable." Research published by the National Academy of Sciences shows that roundups don’t work. Removing mustangs from the range merely prompts those that remain to breed more. The NAS, in its 2013 report “Using Science to Improve the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Program,” advises increased use of PZP.” Why is the BLM pushing an agenda that doesn’t work?! If horse populations are being controlled based on available resources, the same rules should apply to cattle.</p> <p>Focus on eradicating cheatgrass and replanting with native grasses. https://blog.nature.org/science/2016/09/07/attacking-invasive-cheatgrass-root-soil-microbes- https://www.nytimes.com/2015/10/06/science/researcher-finds-way-to-fight-cheatgrass-a-western-scurge.html</p> <p>Over-population of wild horses: BIRTH CONTROL!!! " two doses of a contraceptive vaccine (known as PZP) delivered several years apart can block wild horse pregnancies for five years or longer. The vaccine costs a few hundred dollars for the first dose, but only \$25 for the second." (Researchers from Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University, The Humane Society of the United States and the University of Toledo) As opposed to the \$49,000 that U.S. taxpayers spend on every mustang removed from the range and placed in BLM short-term holding corrals for its natural lifespan.</p> <p>Another research group from Colorado State University, the National Park Service and USDA’s National Wildlife Research Center showed remarkably similar data from wild horse field trials with a different contraceptive vaccine (known as GonaCon)." paraphrased from http://thehill.com/opinion/energy-environment/356706-birth-control-for-wild-horses-is-the-obvious-alternative-to-mass</p> <p>A dose of PZP costs around \$27, compared to \$49,000 that U.S. taxpayers spend on every mustang removed from the range and placed in BLM short-term holding corrals for its natural lifespan. Currently, there are more than 18,000 horses in short-term holding and 25,000 in long-term pastures." https://billingsgazette.com/opinion/columnists/guest-opinion-best-idea-for-wild-horses-made-in-billings/article_89a4aeec-3cb5-518d-b9d5-9cf8e0844c97.html</p> <p>Greater sage-grouse and vegetation treatment interactions: Get the cheatgrass under control and replant with native grasses. https://www.sagegrouseinitiative.com/our-work/proactive-conservation/weeds-and-fire/ https://www.sagegrouseinitiative.com/why-is-cheatgrass-bad/ “Horses and cattle share much of the same diet and habitat preferences. They use up to 90% of the same grazing sites and their diets overlap as much as 70% making their coexistence vitally important to the surrounding ecosystem.” https://sites.google.com/a/owu.edu/overgrazing/conservation</p>	<p>BLM discusses it use of fertility control vaccines including PZP and GonaCon-Equine (or an alternative to PZP) in the HMA in the EA at multiple places (including sections 1.5, 1.6.1, 2.2-2.5, 3.3.1, 4.2.1.1, 4.2.2.1, 4.2.3.1 and Appendix G. Additional information is contained in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018). BLM has established long-term vegetation management goals (refer to the DR issued on the Greater Sheepprocks Sage-Grouse Habitat Restoration and Hazardous Fuels Treatment EA and the Onaqui Complex Emergency Stabilization and Burned Area Rehabilitation Plan). Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.</p>
1932	<p>Please don't kill the horses! We've had enough slaughter of these wild horses that God has given us! Kill the cattle that is driven by greedy money hungry ranchers. I most heartedly will sign a petition to stop this animal cruelty! I am a US citizen from a Native American tribe. I stand for Justice for these horses!!</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1933	<p>I am writing to add my voice of opposition to the planned removal of the Onaqui horses. Please reconsider the move and allow the horses to remain on the land, or propose a solution that will allow the horses to live in peace, not lead to their likely death.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1934	<p>To Whom it May Concern: Regarding the Onaqui Wild horse herds. Please protect these wild horses. They enrich the lives of so many people. I think the herd could be managed with a PZP program. There are a lot of people in Utah committed to making this work. I live in the state of Washington, but I specifically traveled to Utah last January to see these horses in their habitat. I stopped by again in February, and plan to come back in October. I encountered an older white stallion that the locals call Old Man/Gandalf. He is old, but in good shape. I, and many others, would be so devastated to hear that he had been rounded up. I also believe that it bring \$\$ to your local economy. Thank you for considering to cancel the roundup.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.</p>
1935	<p>I am writing on behalf of the Onaqui herd of horses to ask that you please protect them and do not round them up. They are an American treasure loved by many around the world and deserve to be taken care and left to live a wild life.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>
1936	<p>I am a very angry Canadian that can't stand watching the round up and slaughter of wild horses There should be protected land designated for Native Indian Americans to keep these spirit horses safe and thriving Surely the USA is large enough to provide these magnificent animals a small sanctuary ? Please ensure these poor horses a fighting chance and continue their legacy in American history. Thank you for your consideration in this matter.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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1937	I’m emailing you today to speak out against the Onaqui Roundup. These horses need to live in the wild, taking them away from it is a death sentence for them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1938	I am 100% opposed to the roundup of the Onaqui Mountain wild horses scheduled for this Fall. It is outrageous that the BLM continues these massive helicopter roundups and incarceration of the captured horses when humane management on the range is possible. Please look to the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group as a model for how it can be done. And STOP THE MADNESS!! PZP birth control is safe, effective and inexpensive. Get with the program!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1939	I would like to offer my unscientific opinion for your consideration. I oppose the plan to gather and remove your wild horses. Have you seen Sandy Sharkey's photographs of these majestic horses? They are a national treasure. Some day I would like my grandchildren to be able to see them in the wild -- not just in Hollywood films or computer animation a la Jurassic Park. Utah has some of the most enlightened folks I have come across for animal lovers. I am referencing specifically Best Friends, the largest no kill shelter in the US. I am saddened that Utah's BLM is not of this same inclination. You have a rare treasure. Please conserve them!! Many thanks in advance. I am not expecting a response, of course.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1940	I am writing on behalf of the Onaqui Herd regarding the proposed roundup. I have concerns that the genetic viability of this herd be safeguarded. Please consider allowing at least 150-200 horses remain. In future, instead of expensive and disruptive roundups please consider dart delivered birth control to select mares if necessary. Many photographers and others love this beautiful herd. With thanks for your consideration,	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1754.
1941	Please, reconsider your plans for the management of the Onaqui Mountain HMA and listen to the American people: We love our wild horses and do not want to see them end up “managed” out of existence! Permanently removing 325 horses would leave this herd genetically non-viable and place those 325 horses at great risk for immediate euthanasia via Mexican or Canadian slaughter houses. This is not acceptable to 80% of the American people who have spoken out against wild horse gathers. On-the-range management by temporary infertility darting the mares would be a less costly and more humane way to achieve the same goal. And the argument involving the sage grouse is just a smoke screen: sage grouse and wild horse herds have shared the same grazing lands for unknown millennia and both species thrived. Please, consider this letter an expression of my and my family’s opposition to your proposal for the Onaqui Mountain wild horses.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1942	Please keep the Onaqui horses wild and free and don’t round them up.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1943	No roundups of the Onaqui Wild Horses- this very disturbing news has made its way to Connecticut. I’ll continue to spread this. There is no reason to round them up. Time to cut back on the unfair benefits the cattle ranchers are getting. You are CONSCIOUSLY killing theses horse when you round them up. Most wont survive. Has this country lost its moral compass. It’s UNNECESSARY. I’ll be sending the full report from the American Wild Horse Campaign. Your going to kill innocent horses during the round up. PLEASE STOP.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1944	I would like to voice my plea to allow all of the wild horses, young and old, living in the Onaqui Mountain/Great Basin Desert area to live their natural lives in peace where they have always been. No roundup should occur!!!!!! That is the humane and kind thing to do! I am making my first trip ever to Utah this coming week to spend time in the beautiful, natural environment that Utah is known for. As a photographer, it is a bucket list location that I can foresee being a favorite place to return to, share heavily on all my social media platforms and encourage others to visit!!!! If Utah becomes a state who is unkind to these wild horses, I will not return and will tell everyone on social media that it is a state to boycott for that reason. I beg and plead for you to be kind to the wildlife of your state and set an example to the world of ~ how “to be” in this world...instead of how NOT to be!!!! Thank you for your time & I hope you remain a state that I a thrilled to return to!	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1945	I had the distinct privilege and pleasure of visiting the Onaqui HMA last August 2017. Even though we arrived early to Skull Valley we did not see any large herds of wild horses except perhaps one herd of about 25 - 30 animals in the distance where our vehicle could not go. We did see signs of cows and calves on the roads. The wild flowers were beautiful. Later we went southwest of Simpson Springs and saw only a few horses in the distance. The population of wild horses at Onaqui is probably over-estimated at being between 300 - 400 horses. Even so, it seems they could very well be within the carrying capacity of the land. Onaqui is 321 sq.mi and could certainly carry that many horses. However, let's not disregard the 2000 head of cows and 2500 head of sheep living on the HMA, but they are more important to ranchers who pay less than \$1.50/cow/calf pair a month. This fee is next to nothing compared to what private facilities charge for grazing, but the damage livestock do to the land that is becoming desertified is tremendous. Wild horses maintain the grasses by spreading seeds throughout the HMA, they cut foliage with their teeth rather than pull them out by the roots; they eat young cheat grass which cows do not eat and can be highly flammable when mature. Horses also do not drain and pollute the waters, because they migrate rather than stand in riparian areas as cows do. Therefore, I ask you to not helicopter stampede these wild horses and foals into chutes, and truck them to unknown places. The holding facilities are full with all the roundups done every year. These wild horses deserve the land they freely live on according to Congressional mandate, and they do not bother thousands of livestock left to forage by ranchers.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.

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1946	I am concerned about the continual request by BLM to remove (which also means eliminate) wild horses from great expanses of land. There are 206,252 acres of public and state lands, with a current estimated population of 450 wild horses. According to the BLM, the appropriate management level is 121 to 210 horses. I cannot imagine how this much acreage is not fit for 450 horses. Your estimates seem very low – and it appears that they keep getting lower. Typically what I have seen this year – is that the BLM wants to rid themselves of the horses – to bring in paying cattle ranchers to utilize the same property with a number of animals that far exceeds the horse “limit”. There are many people who are willing to help care for these HORSES. They are not destructive, they are not harmful, they are peaceful and beautiful creatures who were here well before we were. Why are they such a burden to you? Please do not remove or eliminate these horses. Rather, turn down the ranchers who are pressuring you to use BLM lands. And implement a humane program that allows the horses to remain, thrive, yet also keeps the population at its current level.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1947	<p>"For every beast of the forest is mine, and the cattle upon a thousand hills. I know all the fowls of the mountains: and the wild beasts of the field are mine." Psalm 50:10-11 KJV.</p> <p>"Of clean beasts, and of beasts that are not clean, and of fowls, and of every thing that creepeth upon the earth, There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah." Genesis 7:8-9 KJV.</p> <p>"And spared not the old world, but saved Noah the eighth person, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood upon the world of the ungodly;" 2 Peter 2:5 KJV.</p> <p>"The eyes of the LORD are in every place, beholding the evil and the good." Proverbs 15:3 KJV.</p> <p>“Woe unto the wicked! it shall be ill with him: for the reward of his hands shall be given him.” Isaiah 3:11 KJV.</p> <p>"And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth." Revelation 11:18 KJV.</p> <p>“And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.” Revelation 19: 11-12 KJV.</p> <p>Let it soak in that GOD only saved 8 people but all of his wildlife from His Judgment. And God of creation with fire in His eyes will be riding a horse when He returns to Judge the living and the dead. We are caretakers of HIS Earth and HIS animals. One day you'll stand before HIM to explain why you rounded up, mistreated and eliminated HIS thought, HIS Horse and HIS Burro. It might be too late for you then, so repent now, seek forgiveness, turn from your evil ways and ask HIM to find you. HE knows your heart and will hear your cries. Wakeup, there is Mercy before Judgment, seek It. I’m praying for you.</p> <p>“Then Peter said unto them, Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” Acts 2:38 KJV.</p> <p>“I also will laugh at your calamity; I will mock when your fear cometh; When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you. Then shall they call upon me, but I will not answer; they shall seek me early, but they shall not find me: For that they hated knowledge, and did not choose the fear of the LORD: They would none of my counsel: they despised all my reproof.” Proverbs 1: 26-30 KJV.</p> <p>“The fear of the LORD is to hate evil: pride, and arrogancy, and the evil way, and the froward mouth, do I hate.” Proverbs 8:13 KJV.</p> <p>“And whosoever shall not receive you, nor hear you, when ye depart thence, shake off the dust under your feet for a testimony against them. Verily I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrha in the day of judgment, than for that city.” Mark 6:11 KJV.</p>	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1948	Same or variation of Number 1739.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1949	I am writing to you today to ask that any roundup in the Onaqui HMA not take place. My reasons are that the proposed number of horses to be removed will leave this herd in jeopardy of inbreeding, too low of a population in any herd will do this to a species. It is my understanding that PZP has and is still being used in this herd. Does the vaccine not work? I personally am not for the use of PZP, there are too many unanswered side effects and not enough is known about its use in future health to use it. Also the fact remains that the more horses you remove the more compensatory breeding takes place, creating a no win situation on their management. I hope you have read my comments and have taken them seriously. The Onaqui herd is small and there is no reason to remove any of them.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1, 1738 and 1754.
1950	The devastating roundup is totally unnecessary. The Onaqui horses are acclimated to human presence and accessible for remote darting of the PZP vaccine. While BLM utilizes PZP in this herd, it has failed to dart enough mares to significantly impact population growth rates. The BLM allows just 121-210 wild horses to live in the over 205,000-acre HMA, while authorizing several thousand cows and sheep to in the area – with heavy livestock concentrations during winter and early spring – the most critical growth period for rangeland health. Modest reductions in livestock grazing could accommodate the current wild horse population while it is stabilized and reduced over time through an adequate PZP fertility control program. This would save tax dollars and preserve this herd, which is an important ecotourism resource for the area.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1951	I am writing in response to the BLM’s request for public comment regarding this Onaqui Environmental Assessment stating that: “The Bureau of Land Management’s (BLM) Salt Lake Field Office is proposing to control the population of wild horses from the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area (HMA) and adjacent areas by gathering and removing excess wild horses to achieve the low end of the Appropriate Management Level (AML). The current population of wild horses on the Onaqui HMA is estimated at 450 animals (not including foals born in	Refer also to BLM's responses to Numbers 1, 22, 1738 and 1930.

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	<p>2017), while the AML is set at 121-210 horses. The BLM estimates that over 325 wild horses would need be removed from the Onaqui HMA to achieve a low AML.” Of key interest are the words, “proposing to control the population of wild horses...by gathering and removing.” In this particular HMA, I find this to be an extravagant waste of resources, both financial and human, and I strongly urge the decision makers to face the reality that you have more tools in hand than you seem to be willing to use. When all you hold is a hammer, everything looks like a nail. To be direct, the “gather and remove” paradigm hasn’t worked well, as the National Academy of Sciences Report found. The “gather and remove” paradigm has in fact led to a management crisis, yet this Salt Lake City office is choosing to persist in this hopeless approach. Doing the wrong thing repeatedly over years doesn’t make it the right thing. I know this District has worked/works with local advocates in a fertility control program. My recommendation is that the PZP–based fertility control should be the focus of this population management, not the herd devastation of roundups which have proved to put the population into compensatory reproduction and actually can increase the wild horse reproductive rate. The BLM’s proposal amounts to a short-term fix based only on a numbers game, demonstrating a lack of responsible, moral management of a wild population and a lack of any sort of science-based program.</p> <p>Gathering and removing means paying roundup contractors, means stockpiling more wild horses into holding facilities, horses that BLM is currently, simultaneously pushing Congress for authorization to kill due to the costs involved in their maintenance. I find this unacceptable on every front when other options are clearly within BLM’s reach , options that will result in attaining a stable population without the harshness and expense of gathers and removals, and the issue of space and cost for the horses and burros removed. The Onaqui herd is a famous, well-known, well-documented herd. Local people study and follow these horses. Qualified people are eagerly knocking on BLM’s door to assist in further implementing the tried-and-true PZP fertility control program that will ultimately result in a stable wild horse population, virtually eliminating the future need for gather operations, thereby eliminating the stockpiling-wild-horses issue and all that goes along with it. Please explain BLM’s refusal to give more support to this program.</p> <p>LIVESTOCK GRAZING: The BLM in its scoping notice states that the issue of Livestock grazing in the Onaqui Wild Horse Herd Management Area are outside the scope of this notice. Really? How do you figure this? This position regarding livestock grazing impacts on the land reminds me of a court reporter I know who had a serious thumb trigger finger develop which destroyed her ability to write on her steno machine. You can understand a bit about this problem when you realize that the thumbs control the vowels. So taking machine shorthand at a pace between 180 to 230 words per minute, with many words and phrases requiring multiple strokes, you can imagine the potential for repetitive stress injury, which is what she developed with her right thumb “trigger.” Virtually ach and every stroke included her thumbs. Well, this doctor was engaged by the insurance company who was trying to help his client (insurance company) avoid paying any disability insurance, which this woman had purchased in the event of being unable to work, and legitimately needed. She was confident the doctor would understand her problem until he said, “Hold out your fingers. Now close them. Open, close, open, close.” Her thumb didn’t cooperate, getting “stuck” as the trigger kept it from opening and closing properly. The doctor said, “Okay, good, no problem.” The woman was baffled: “But my thumb doesn’t work. What do you mean, ‘Okay, good, no problem’”? The doctor replied, “We are excluding your thumbs from this examination.” The woman, amazed at the unfairness of this skewed examination, was speechless. She hired an attorney thereafter who helped her, and she was very shortly thereafter awarded disability insurance, being legitimately unable to take steno machine shorthand. Not just a temporary problem, her thumb trigger was actually inoperable. In a like manner, the BLM’s exclusion of consideration of the impacts of livestock grazing is an offense to any reasonable person when considering the impacts of wild horses on the public lands when those lands are shared with cattle and sheep, on any wild horse HMAs. To ignore the impacts of cattle and sheep on the land amounts to what is called “scapegoating” the wild horses. Which brings me ot my next recommendation: This Onaqui herd/HMA should be reclassified as a Wild Horse Range and protected. This is not an HMA that should be decimated with the type of roundup being proposed. I have documented thousands of horses being removed from many different HMAs, and with the amount of public engagement with this area, and all the other things in place as indicated above (and many things I haven’t even addressed, but others have), I strongly recommend that BLM withdraw this proposal and take heed to the recommendations I propose, which are reasonable recommendations. I protest the waste of resources involved in BLM’s proposal, and I propose BLM go back to the drawing board and give serious consideration to the proposals I respectfully submit herein.</p>	
1953	<p>I have read for years that the wild Mustang Horses improve the land and eat foliage that fuels wildfires thus helping to prevent fires. They do not harm other wildlife and their popularity with visitors brings in more money than any orher program. It Makes no sense to me that the BLM would want to destroy them. I believe the pressure from people who want to use the public land for their own profit are causing this travesty. There are laws to protect the horses and many acres allotted to their use. Please follow these laws and restore the horses on their home ranges. Population control can be done by darting mares with PZP at far less expense than round ups and penning in corrals. BLM could do that and use the money given them for the horses to make sure there is plenty of water available. Please use these methods instead of selling or killing these symbols of freedom that are so important to Americans and other people for watching their societies and family connections.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.</p>

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1954	These comments are in reference to the proposed removal of this precious herd. With 2D5, 394 acres as their rare ample land I Removing 90% of the herd, will devastate their well being. Rounding them up will frighten the creature mention the Injuries, which will occur. Wild Horses, will balance themselves out, without man's Interferencell T will spell slaughter for our precious National Treasures. Keep the damaged cattle off of this land II Our Wild Horses, are to be protected; not destroyed. Ending up In dry, b; lots; without grass, food, shade; water., Is Inhumane II Your Agency has become self-serving for the cattle/ranchl adhering to the original intent: protect; threat them with decency and respect.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1955	I would like to ask you to reconsider your decision to round up most of the Utah Onaqui wild horse herd this fall. I understand that some type of management is needed but the helicopter round ups are extremely cruel. The use of the fertility control drug PZP has been very effective in controlling birth rates and it is less expensive and more humane than the round ups and subsequent long term 'storage' of horses in holding pens. These horses are already somewhat used to human contact and would not be difficult to dart by an experienced person.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1 and 1738.
1956	Please do not round up the wild horses. Onaqui wild horse herd management area population control because they've lived this long in the wild and persevered. Look at Old Man, 30 years old and still living as the wild stallion. Just like other countries have preservation for land and animals, we need areas here also set aside for our history, heritage, generations. I'm totally against the roundup for land management. Because Why? Greed, selling it, money for government. Let them be free.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.
1957	I love horses. Please let them be free. Thank You.	Mr. Williams, the BLM appreciates the time you took to submit your comment on this environmental assessment. Like you, the BLM values wild horses on our rangelands. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.
1958	[1] I oppose the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) plan to proceed with the Proposed Action that would round up 90% of the Onaqui herd and permanently remove 379 horses from the range. [2] I realize the BLM wants scientific and constructive comments, yet this EA presents no concrete scientific evidence to indicate that a massive gather/removal of this herd is necessary, and especially not to the low AML of 121 horses. [3] Based on the scientific research of Dr. E. Gus Cothran a minimum of 150-200 breeding age adult horses is necessary to maintain genetic viability and the health of the herd. I know you are trying to appease the public by stating that impact will be kept as low as possible for the most frequently visited part of the herd near Dugway. This does not take into consideration the horses south of Simpson Springs and their most probable contribution to the genetic diversity of the herd as whole. Many of us who have spent a good deal of time on the HMA have witnessed intermingling between members of the "main" herd and the herd south of Simpson Springs. Although usually temporary, it has resulted in mares being exchanged. I realize that without DNA testing there is no certainty, however, I strongly believe that this has to be contributing to genetic diversity and the obvious good health of the Onaqui herd and that these horses should not be removed. [4] The EA casually states that cattle do more damage to the range than horses, yet there are articles/papers written and published by very credible sources, including Western Watersheds Project, which clearly state and demonstrate the opposite. Livestock grazing must be reduced pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.S(a). Reducing the number of cattle would easily accommodate the current size of the Onaqui herd. It is the horses that attract tourists and photographers and bring income into the surrounding areas. The Proposed Action would negatively affect ecotourism and the local economy. [5] I realize that a healthy range is important for all and that because they have no natural predators, without intervention the number of horses could eventually grow out of proportion and cause hardship for the horses and other species that utilize the HMA. Currently, the Onaqui horses are an incredibly healthy herd and in great body condition which is evidence that there is more than sufficient healthy forage/range available to them. A rigid fertility control program using PZP (proven for decades to be safe for the horses}, reduced livestock grazing, and restoring all 507,681 acres of the Herd Area to active management status would insure a healthy range well into the future. [6] The statistics for mares actually darted with PZP in 2015, 2016, 2017, indicate a less than committed effort by the BLM in the past at controlling the population of the Onaqui herd with the use of fertility control. I understand there is currently an opportunity to expand the number of volunteers who could be certified as darters, as The Science and Conservation Center will conduct a free training for a minimum of six people in the fall. I commend your effort to expand the fertility control program in this manner. Another alternative would be for the BLM to simply hire more staff to assist in darting mares on the range. That cost would in all certainty be less expensive than unnecessarily rounding up horses, keeping them in holding facilities for unknown periods of time, conducting off-premise adoptions, etc. [7] Concerning the declining Sage Grouse population, nothing is mentioned about the effects of livestock and humans on sage grouse habitat and their declining population. All blame is being unfairly and unscientifically assigned to the horses. Only they are targeted to pay the price by being subjected to a traumatic gather, outright inhumane if helicopters are used, and possibly losing their families, their freedom, their way of life forever. Alternatives, including fencing, for protecting areas that are populated by Sage Grouse were proposed in response to the Scoping Notice and they must be included in the final EA. [8] Should the removal of horses ever become truly necessary it should be in very small increments and never more than SO, with plenty of time in between gather/removals to allow for successful adoptions and a horse population that remains at high end of the AML, at the least.	[1-2] Refer to BLM's response to Number 1. [3] BLM is not legally obligated to maintain a particular number of animals in any given herd, nor should a given herd be considered as a truly isolated population, given that there have been and can be additional introductions of wild horses from other herds to augment genetic diversity and reduce risks of inbreeding. Also refer to BLM's response to Number 1754. [4-5] Refer to the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and the Comment Report (BLM 2018) for additional information on BLM's livestock grazing program, control by natural means, and other alternatives that were considered but eliminated from detailed analysis. [6] BLM remains highly committed to the use of fertility control vaccinations, including the use of volunteers to administer this program over the long-term. Also refer to response to Number 1738. [7] Threats to the greater sage-grouse Sheeprock population, including human influences are specifically addressed in the EA at Sections 3.3.6, 4.2.1.6. and 4.2.3.7. [8-9 and 11-15] Refer to BLM's responses to Number 1 and 36. [10] The strongest and fittest animals are the ones that survive the first year of life. Using color, conformation, disposition, ability to be treated, and any other traits that BLM determines to use in the selection process ensures that any horses that are removed in the future will have qualities that adopters are seeking.

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	<p>Removal should be limited to younger horses that are more adaptable and hence more adoptable. It is cruel and inhumane to remove older horses.</p> <p>[9] Should the removal of horses ever become truly necessary, I see no science in stating that domestic horses are weaned at 6 months of age and applying that standard as acceptable for wild horses. Time in the field observing wild horse behavior and social dynamics clearly demonstrates that wild mares and foals do not wean themselves from each other at six months, but that the norm is for the young to be nursing for at least a year, sometimes until they are two years old, and occasionally even older. Nature and the horses know best what is ideal for their healthy development.</p> <p>[10] Should the removal of horses ever become truly necessary, I see no science in determining which horses are allowed to remain or be turned back out on the range based on traits such as color and conformation. These are not domestic horses and they should not be managed as such. Nature's way is survival of the strongest and fittest, not the prettiest or handsomest. A young stallion does not rise up in the hierarchy, start obtaining mares and building a family because he is good looking, but because he has the strength and/or smarts to do so. This is only one example of the many traits that are truly important in the wild.</p> <p>[11] Should the removal of horses ever become truly necessary, I see no science or humanity in the decision to remove and euthanize old horses with certain conditions, among them missing or worn down teeth, when they are still otherwise healthy, living contently in the wild, and most likely have few years left.</p> <p>[12] Because there are other alternatives it makes no financial sense, whatsoever, to remove horses from this range and add to the growing problem of too many horses in short and long-term holding facilities. In addition, BLM's request to Congress to kill or slaughter unadopted horses, places the lives of any horses removed in grave jeopardy, as a decision is yet to be determined on this matter. It is thoughtless, inhumane, and unnecessary to place the Onaqui herd at the risk of such a fate.</p> <p>[13] In short, this EA is inadequate because it fails to consider a number of critical impacts and alternatives. The final EA needs to revise the Proposed Action to include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Managing the herd with fertility control, instead of removals, as recommended by the National Academy of Sciences.2. Reduce livestock grazing pursuant to 43 C.F.R. 4710.S(a).3. Increase the AML for this area to accommodate the current wild horse population.4. Restore the Herd Area to active management status, thereby increasing the size of the Onaqui HMA to the 507,681 acres originally designated by Congress. <p>[14] The EA must analyze the following impacts:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. BLM's request to Congress for authorization to kill or slaughter unadopted horses.2. Mass removal on recreational use of the HMA for wild horse viewing, photographing, and workshops.3. Costly roundup/removal/holding of horses on taxpayers vs. leaving horses on the range and reducing livestock grazing.4. Reduced ecotourism/wild horse viewing opportunities on the local economy. <p>[15] Thank you for your consideration.</p> <p>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes]</p>	
1959	<p>[1] Iron County appreciates the opportunity to comment on the proposed EA mentioned above. For years wild horses in this area have been allowed to over-populate without management. As mentioned in the EA, over population of wild horses are negatively impacting the sensitive sage grouse to diminish in their numbers, causing concern that they will be extirpated in the Sheeprock area. Drought conditions over the past few years increases the negative impact wild horses have on the range, other wildlife species, and livestock.</p> <p>[2] Iron County is supportive of the preferred alternative as presented in the document. We also support the suggested changes to PZP re-treatment of unapproachable wild horses and treatment of yearling mares. The BLM needs to consider other alternatives to gather and re-treated horses such as permanent traps around water or feeding areas, where small numbers could be gathered with minimal use of expensive helicopters and crews, etc., especially since this EA is for long-term management.</p> <p>[3] The EA indicates that if the initial gather is short of number needing to be removed, subsequent gathers would take place over a 10 year period. If this is the case, the BLM needs to adjust the number of wild horses needed to be removed and take into account the annual increase between the initial gather and subsequent gathers. The goal is to remove horses to meet low AML and not be stuck on a specific number to be removed.</p> <p>[4] Iron County looks forward to the success of the proposal and appreciates the work the SLM does on this issue. We realize the problems of wild horse management stem from the Washington DC area.</p> <p>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</p>	<p>[1] Introductory paragraph. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2-3] Refer to EA section 2.2. The goal of the proposed action is to bring the herd numbers to low AML and to maintain the population within AML over a ten-year period. This allows for the removal of the appropriate number of wild horses to achieve that objective..</p> <p>[4] BLM appreciates the time that Iron County took to review the unsigned FONSI and the EA (including the Scoping Report) and to prepare and submit its comments.</p>

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1960	<p>[1] The State of Utah has reviewed the Environmental Assessment (EA) released to the public June 13, 2018. The State is a Cooperating Agency in the proposed Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Population Control Project and provided earlier comments on June 1, 2018, in regard to the May 2018 Draft EA. The State reaffirms its comments. In coordination with the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration and the Utah Department of Agriculture and Food, the State provides the following review.</p> <p>General Comments</p> <p>[2] The State supports the removal of wild horses within the Sheeprocks Sage-grouse Management Area since the current horse population levels are having a negative impact on sage-grouse habitat. The BLM should continue to research and collect data documenting these impacts.</p> <p>[3] The BLM should gather the horse herds late fall or early winter to remove yearling colts and administer PZP. The yearling colts would be the most adoptable and trainable horses. Leaving the older horses on the range would also lead to more natural and rapid declines in the herd size. The State appreciates the BLM selection process to identify and prioritize approachability, conformation, etc. The State would also like to see a discussion of gelding the studs for further reduction in the reproduction rate.</p> <p>[4] Under Alternative A, the Proposed Action, the ten-year period for follow-up gathers is too long. The State requests appropriate management levels (AML) achieved through gathers within two years to curtail damage to rangelands.</p> <p>Habitat Degradation</p> <p>[5] In addition to addressing the overpopulation of wild horses on the range, BLM should also address the degradation to the habitat. Too many animals on the range significantly impact vegetation and water resources. A potential solution could be to implement the same standards to the wild horses and burros as the BLM applies to domestic livestock producers as seen with the best management practices of time, timing, and intensity.</p> <p>[6] Wild horses are feral domestic animals that have been ‘declared’ wild and protected under the Wild Horse and Burro Act. This ‘designation,’ however, does not change the behavior of this once domestic animal. All other domestic animals are required to be managed with strict time, timing, and intensity regulations. Domestic animals may only remain in any given area for a specific amount of time, then removed to allow the forage and range time to recover. Domestic animals are allowed on the range during specific times or seasons of the year (timing). While it may be difficult to move horses to a summer or winter range, it is then critical to follow the next step, intensity. The principle of intensity, the number of animals on the range must be followed with strict adherence when year-round grazing is occurring. The correct number of animals on the range is vital to maintain rangeland health. These principles have been developed over generations with science and local knowledge leading to better management principles. Wild Horses and Burros are in the same areas too long, year-round, at numbers that exceed AML. This violates all three grazing principles and will lead to poor conditions of our rangelands, as well as the health of the Wild horses and burros.</p> <p>[7] There is extensive research on the impacts of improper grazing on riparian areas. Wild horses do not follow the same principles of time, timing, and intensity as the domestic animals. Wild horses and burros compound these impacts. The State suggests a discussion on this issue with appropriate science cited.</p> <p>[8] The State recommends BLM include an analysis of the cost of rehabilitating the rangelands damaged from improper grazing by wild horses. At an average cost of \$200.00-300.00 per acre for vegetation projects, the 100 thousand acres negatively affected by improper grazing by wild horses would be a significant cost to the BLM, the State, the livestock producers, the sportsmen, and other groups who work cooperatively to maintain healthy rangelands.</p> <p>School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration</p> <p>[9] SITLA finds the EA thorough and complete and supports the Proposed Action, Alternative A, to gather and remove wild horses from the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area in order to reach AML. The Proposed Action would reduce wild horse usage on the area that was re-seeded following the 2017 Onaqui Mountain wildfire, thus allowing it to become more established. The proposed action would also reduce unwanted wild horse use on state trust lands within the HMA.</p> <p>Department of Agriculture and Food</p> <p>[10] The State wholeheartedly supports maintaining wild horse populations at AML to ensure the safety and health of both wild horses and ecosystems on which multiple species depend. There is a concern of BLM’s lack of any economic consideration for the ecological impacts from excess horses within this EA. The BLM considers only the social and recreational impacts and does not take into account the economic impact that the alternatives would have on the region. The Code of Federal Regulations (43 CFR 1610.4-6) states that: The Field Manager, in collaboration with any cooperating agencies, will estimate and display the physical, biological, economic, and social effects of implementing each alternative considered in detail [emphasis added].</p> <p>[11] Section 6.8.1.1 of BLM’s Handbook H-1790-1 further states that an EA or EIS “must identify the known and predicted effects that are related to the issues.” Effects are defined in this same section: Effects can be ecological, aesthetic, historic, cultural, economic, social, or health. Effects may also include those resulting from actions that may have both beneficial and detrimental effects [emphasis added].</p> <p>[12] The BLM should include the economic impacts on the 5,685 AUMs that excess horses are consuming. The loss of AUMs could be providing economic benefits to local economies through restored livestock AUMs. The combined eight allotments in the project area are producing 19,235 AUMs under their current permits, which could otherwise provide roughly \$1.9 million in benefits to local economies according to the best available science.1 Overpopulated herds of wild horses are consuming an estimated 5,685 AUMs more than the amount</p>	<p>[1] Introductory paragraph. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[2] The research component of the original proposal has been stopped at this time because it is still being finalized by the proponent and it will also need to be vetted through the WH&B research committee. BLM also will consider future proposals at any time and remains committed to gaining new information on the interactions of wild horses and greater sage-grouse and the habitat both species rely on during parts or all of their life cycles.</p> <p>[3] The gather would occur when approval and scheduling fits it into the national gather schedule. Darting will continue for treatment of the mares without a gather. Selection of animals removed will take into account the age class structure of the animals left on the range as well as those removed.</p> <p>[4] BLM has modified Section 2.2 to clarify that, if the initial gather does not reduce numbers down to the low end of the AML, BLM would conduct additional trapping or helicopter gathers as allowed for in the WO’s annual gather schedule.</p> <p>[5] Guidelines established in BLM policy would be followed, including local government plans to the maximum extent possible (EA at Section 1.5 and Appendix B).</p> <p>[6] BLM agrees that proper rangeland management is appropriate including administering the wild horse program.</p> <p>[7-8] Section 4.2.1.3 was modified to include additional discussion regarding horse impacts to rangeland ecosystems, including overgrazing. The Scoping Report (BLM 2018) contains additional discussion of costs of rehabilitating damaged rangelands.</p> <p>[9] SITLA position of support for proactive range-wide management.</p> <p>[10-16] BLM discusses the impact of continued and increased movement of wild horses inside/outside of the HMA and expected declines in overall rangeland productivity in the EA at Section 4.2.3.1. BLM projects that management under the No Action alternative, could degrade rangeland resources to an unsustainable level for renewable resources, including increases in conflicts with other uses of the public lands and owners of other surface estate within and outside of the HMA. BLM will continue to work with existing livestock grazing permittees that have allotments within the HMA.</p> <p>[17] BLM appreciates the time that PLPCO and other state agencies took to review the unsigned FONSI and the EA (including the Scoping Report) and to prepare and submit its comments.</p>

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	<p>of feed that they would be if populations were at AML.</p> <p>[13] Consequently, the overpopulation of wild horses is harming the agricultural industry in the area by at least \$568,500 annually. The livestock industry in Tooele County has grown since 1970 from a \$19 million industry to a \$35 million industry.² Addressing the overpopulation of wild horses would increase the economic benefits that agriculture contributes to the economy and create agricultural jobs in the county. This economic data should be incorporated into the three alternatives to highlight the negative impacts wild horses have on the economic livelihood of some residents in Tooele County. Sections 1.6.2, 3.3.2, and 4.2.1.2 of the draft EA would benefit from the inclusion of this economic data.</p> <p>[14] The draft EA states that the removal of excess wild horses would reduce the number of AUMs consumed annually by wild horses by 5,685 AUMs. But the EA does not indicate how those AUMs would be used. The assessment seems to suggest that the land would be rested and stocking rates would remain the same. There are currently 3,107 suspended AUMs in allotments within the Onaqui Mountain HMA. Ranchers voluntarily reduced permitted AUMs to avoid overgrazing. The BLM should work with permittees, who have taken voluntary reductions, to reallocate those 5,685 AUMs to livestock grazing as conditions allow. Year-round grazing by excess wild horses was a principal issue that forced livestock reductions. Consequently, as the vegetation on the ground recovers, those AUMs should be returned to permittees through their annual operating instructions until all permitted AUMs are active.</p> <p>[15] Overall, wild horse overpopulation has severe negative impacts on ecosystem health. The continued growth of herds threatens the ability of this land to sustain multiple uses including wildlife habitat, recreation and tourism, and domestic livestock grazing. SITLA, UDAF and the State of Utah look forward to continually working with the BLM to address these issues.</p> <p>[16] Please direct any written questions in regard to this correspondence to the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office at the address below, or call to discuss any questions or concerns.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes. Footnotes are not reproduced here.]</i></p>	

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1961	<p>[1] The following are the comments of Western Watersheds Project on the Onaqui HMA population control project. WWP takes no position on wild horses, but we and our members have a deep interest in protecting and restoring healthy native ecosystems on western public lands. We have concerns about the Onaqui HMA EA inasmuch as it addresses the grazing impacts of wild horses without addressing the obvious cumulative impacts of domestic livestock grazing on the same lands, and fails to consider the reasonable alternative of reducing livestock grazing to cure land health deficiencies in lieu of and/or together with reductions in wild horse numbers.</p> <p>[2] For this particular project, the likelihood of significant impacts to the human environment, as well as the scientific controversy surrounding the minimum viable population that must be maintained as well the comparative culpability of wild horses versus domestic livestock in causing rangeland health issues in the project area mean that the more thorough ‘hard look’ at impacts and more developed range of alternatives of a full-fledged EIS is required for this project. The proposed action will certainly result in significant impacts to the human environment, due to the strong interest of a significant part of the public in viewing and enjoying free-roaming equids, the Onaqui herd being popular for viewing (EA at 19, 42) and one of the closest and most accessible wild horse viewing opportunities to the heavily-populated Salt Lake metropolis.</p> <p>[3] Through the Wild and Free-Roaming Horse & Burro Act (WHA), the BLM must maintain “a thriving natural ecological balance” in Herd Management Areas, but also need to maintain viable populations of wild horses. If domestic livestock grazing (EA at 17) is creating a level of herbivory and associated impact (trampling biological soil crusts, compacting soils, suppressing native grasses, encouraging the spread of noxious weeds such as cheatgrass, and damaging fragile riparian habitats and aquatic communities) that are incompatible with maintaining a thriving natural ecological balance, then this requirement of the WHA will be impossible to achieve, even if wild horse numbers are reduced to zero (which would presumably violate the WHA). BLM concedes that cattle and wild horses have a strong dietary overlap (EA at 18). BLM asserts a variety of impacts to soils and vegetation (EA at 44 et seq.) that apply equally to, and sometimes to an even greater extent for, cattle. Any unnecessary or undue degradation occurring to the lands pursuant to FLPMA also necessarily implicates domestic livestock grazing, and if BLM is to ignore the impacts of livestock grazing on soils, vegetation, invasive weeds, and other aspects of the human environment, it must demonstrate that it can assess the impacts of wild horses exclusive of livestock (an impossible bar to attain). It is therefore incumbent on BLM to undertake a very thorough analysis of the impacts pursuant to NEPA of domestic livestock, both cumulatively with the impacts of wild horses, and independent of them, as the impacts of wild horses and livestock are inextricable connected actions. The BLM has not done this in its Onaqui EA, in violation of NEPA’s ‘hard look’ requirements.</p> <p>[4] We are concerned that BLM is neither taking a hard look at direct and cumulative impacts of domestic livestock grazing on sage grouse, nor implementing its adaptive management requirements under the Utah Greater Sage-grouse RMPA (“Utah RMPA”). BLM states, “BLM is also required to respond to the Sheeprocks greater sage-grouse population decline as established in Information Bulletin (IB) 2017-101 (BLM 2017) by complying with Management Action (MA)-Special Status Species (SSS)-7 and its specific management responses (Appendix I – Adaptive Management, Table 1.1) of the Utah Greater Sage-Grouse Approved Resource Management Plan Amendment.” EA at 3. We have requested that BLM complete and make public a Causal Factor Analysis for the Sheeprocks sage grouse population, which has dropped to such a low population level that it has triggered remedial measures as required under the Utah ARMPA. BLM lists local wild horse impacts among possible contributors to sage grouse population declines, but not livestock grazing (EA at 25, and see 47). This is arbitrary and capricious, and a NEPA hard look violation, in the absence of a determination explaining how the agency can distinguish the impacts of wild horses from cattle, especially given the admittedly high dietary overlap between the two species. Overall there is an absence of cumulative effects analysis that supports that purported sage grouse benefits attained by reducing horse numbers will not be squandered by a potential increase domestic livestock impacts. Had the BLM conducted a thorough direct and cumulative impacts of wild horses and livestock, discriminating by type and magnitude of impact by the two herbivores, it would have solved this ‘hard look’ deficiency, enabling the agency to make a reasoned decision regarding whether to reduce numbers of wild horses, or livestock, or both to a lesser extent.</p> <p>[5] In addition, this project area involves only 28% of the Sheeprocks PHMA (EA at 25); livestock are presumably present, and impacting sage grouse habitats, not only on that 28% but also on the remainder of the PHMA as well. The failure of BLM to disclose and analyze the impacts of livestock, direct and cumulatively with wild horses, across the entire Sheeprocks PHMA is a NEPA ‘hard look’ problem. In addition, BLM has failed utterly to analyze and disclose the reasonably foreseeable direct and cumulative impacts of fluid mineral leasing, currently ongoing in the project area, on the Sheeprocks sage grouse population.</p> <p>[6] BLM also notes that the western yellow-billed cuckoo has potential habitat in riparian areas in the project area, and that these riparian areas are degraded by grazing and livestock water developments. EA at 26. Here again, a thorough ‘hard look’ would evaluate the comparative contributions of wild horses (which range widely from water and spend less time in riparian areas) and cattle (which seldom venture farther than 2 miles from water and tend to concentrate their activities and impacts in riparian areas) would yield a credible ‘hard look’ at impacts, and also assist BLM in determining whether reducing livestock, wild horses, or a combination would best serve the interests of protecting and restoring western yellow-billed cuckoo habitat. There does not seem to be any evaluation of the relevant Biological Assessment/Biological Opinion for this project, or disclosure of the extent to which BLM is complying with this in the context of either livestock or wild horses. We are concerned that by failing to disclose the requirements for this species that apply to this project and/or to livestock permitted to graze within the project area, BLM may be violating the Endangered Species Act.</p> <p>[7] BLM lists 102,721 acres of mule deer crucial winter range and 320,444 acres of crucial pronghorn yearlong range within the project area. EA at 29. BLM notes the negative impacts of cheatgrass (which is spread by livestock overgrazing) on mule deer wintering habitat. Id. The</p>	<p>[1-3 and 12] BLM addresses livestock grazing in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and the Comment Report (BLM 2018). BLM discusses when an EIS would be initiated in the EA at Section 1.1. Refer to rationale provided in BLM’s issued FONSI.</p> <p>The current grazing season for livestock allotments located within the HMA primarily begin in November and go through mid-April to mid-May, avoiding the critical growing season for most grasses. Whereas, wild horses have access to this land year around without restraint. The BLM continues to review and manage livestock permits on a routine/rotating basis and the Salt Lake Field Office has an established permit renewal schedule that is followed. Grazing permits on the Government Creek, West Lookout Pass and Indian Springs allotments are scheduled to begin the renewal process in fiscal year 2019. The renewal process will include a rangeland health assessment of these allotments, which will determine how the current grazing management is affecting the land health. If land health is shown to be in decline due to livestock grazing, appropriate corrective action will be analyzed in the permit renewal EA, and resulting decision, expected in fiscal year 2021. The remaining allotments within the HMA will follow this same process as planned in the current permit renewal schedule. This effort will include an assessment of rangeland health and to what extend livestock use might be contributing to any downward trends in rangeland health (43 CFR 4180).</p> <p>[4] BLM is complying with Management Action (MA)-Special Status Species (SSS)-7 and the related Appendix I – Adaptive Management, Table I-1 by proposing to reduce wild horse numbers to the low end of AML as directed in that table.</p> <p>The ARMPA in Appendix I page I-8 states that the specific changes in management described in Table I-1 (including reducing wild horse populations to the low end of AML) will be implemented without further action by the BLM. The ARMPA further states that in addition to the specific changes described in Table I-1, BLM will complete a causal factor analysis, indicating that completion of the causal factor analysis is not required prior to the implementation of the measures in Table I-1. BLM is in the process of completing a causal factor analysis.</p> <p>The decision to consider local wild horse impacts as possible contributors to sage-grouse population declines, but not livestock grazing, was not arbitrary and capricious but rather based largely upon the USFWS (2013) document “Greater Sage-grouse (<i>Centrocercus urophasianus</i>) Conservation Objectives: Final Report”. USFWS 2013 states that, for the Sheeprock sage-grouse population, free-roaming equids pose a “threat that is present and widespread” whereas livestock grazing does not (page 20, Table 2 Sage-grouse quasi-extinction risk, and threats, by management zone and population).</p> <p>Increases in domestic livestock impacts were not considered in the cumulative impacts discussions for wildlife because this was not considered a reasonably foreseeable scenario. In addition, changes in permitted AUMs on any of the affected allotments would require Range Health assessments, which consider the habitat conditions for sensitive species including sage-grouse, and additional NEPA analysis.</p> <p>[5] Regarding livestock cumulative effects, see discussion under [4] above. Fluid mineral leasing was added to the cumulative effects analysis in response to this comment.</p> <p>[6] A “no effect” determination for the yellow-billed cuckoo (page 45) was made by the BLM, and therefore consultation with the USFWS was not required (BLM Manual 6840). In addition, the effects analysis for the proposed project need only look at the effects of the alternatives on potentially affected wildlife species - the effects analysis is not required to identify conservation measures for activities beyond the scope of the proposed alternatives (such as reducing livestock numbers).</p> <p>[7] Regarding the comment “to what extent does juniper encroachment benefit mule deer in the project area by providing concealment cover?” the mule deer plans for the project area (UDWR 2014a, UDWR 2014b) both state that the encroachment of pinyon and juniper trees into shrub winter ranges is a concern because it can result in reductions of desirable shrub and herbaceous cover, and both plans suggest improving habitat by removing pinyon/juniper; nowhere in either plan is it suggested that juniper encroachment benefits mule deer. Both of these plans also state that deer populations are being primarily limited by the condition of summer ranges. The EA states that “High quality browse [not forbs], protruding above snow level, is especially critical to winter survival of pronghorn”.</p> <p>[8] If the commenter was implying that only 4 stallions would be the breeding males in a herd of 100 adults, that suggestion is not grounded in observations, cited literature, or common sense. Stallions compete for breeding mares, and it is virtually impossible that only 4 stallions would monopolize breeding in a herd with 50 or more healthy stallions competing for breeding mares.</p> <p>“BLM is not required by law to manage the herds found in any given HMA as if they were genetically isolated populations. A 2013 report from the National Academies of Sciences’ national Research Council</p>

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	<p>EA also asserts that juniper encroachment decreases mule deer forage, which is true enough, but to what extent does juniper encroachment benefit mule deer in the project area by providing concealment cover? And which habitat attribute, cover or forage, is limiting the mule deer population on their winter ranges? This is an important question upon which the EA is silent. BLM notes that succulent forbs and grasses on spring and summer pronghorn range is a “critical limiting factor” for the population, and forbs emerging above the snow is a critical component of pronghorn winter range. EA at 29.</p> <p>[8] BLM posits that wild horse numbers would be reduced to a low of 121 animals. EA at 6. We are concerned that, because horses are a harem-breeding species, that 121 total animals (which would include non-breeding males, subadults, and animals past breeding age) is too small a population size to maintain an effective population size (Ne) above 50, the critical minimum viable population from a genetic standpoint. Below this threshold, inbreeding becomes a serious concern, entailing an increase in birth defects, high likelihood of maladaptive genes, and inbreeding depression that suppresses the survival and fecundity of remaining animals. Below genetic MVP, the population could readily descend into a “death spiral” in which positive feedback loops would hasten its reduction to extirpation. The BLM needs to take advantage of this NEPA process to render a new decision that reanalyzes its AML of 159 wild horses (range 121-210) in order to determine whether this is sufficient to maintain a minimum viable population of horses in the HMA over the long term, per the 2002 decision, and if not, to re-set the AML at a more biologically appropriate level. Yet BLM lists among alternatives considered, but not brought forward for detailed analysis, “Adjustments to AML numbers” and “Gathering at the High End AML.” EA at 16, 17. In the absence of a justification for why these are unreasonable alternatives, this appears to constitute a NEPA range of alternatives violation. Using the example from our scoping comments, a breeding population of 100 horses (excluding subadults and non-breeders) with 96 breeding mares and 4 breeding stallions, the Ne for that population would be 15.4, far closer to the population of breeding stallions than to the population of breeding mares. This is likely to be similar to the AML minimum population, and far below genetic MVP of Ne=50. BLM ignores this viability problem, in violation of NEPA’s ‘response to public comments’ provisions.</p> <p>[9] BLM failed to analyze a range of reasonable alternatives, including an alternative that would reduce domestic livestock numbers rather than wild horse numbers, and an alternative that would reduce livestock numbers paired with a smaller reduction of wild horse numbers. BLM states, “BLM did not consider other action alternatives. None were identified by the interdisciplinary team or brought forward by the public during the scoping period.” EA at 9. BLM must not have read its scoping comments on this project. WWP’s scoping comments very clearly elucidate: “Where there are problems with overgrazing, we recommend that livestock numbers be reduced first, because the general public derives no benefit from livestock use of public lands, whereas wild horses are considered an attraction by much of the recreating public.” WWP Onaqui scoping comments at unnumbered 2. This is clearly a reasonable alternative, and squarely within BLM’s authority to implement. BLM lists among alternatives considered, but not brought forward for detailed analysis, “Reductions/Closures in Livestock Grazing.” EA at 16. BLM does not make the case that this is an unreasonable alternative to achieve similar land-health objectives.</p> <p>[10] We find the temporary, sporadic responsible use of PZP to be an acceptable means to limit the growth of wild horse populations on the range. Care should be taken such that the effect of the drug does not cause permanent sterility (see EA at 36), as this would require an increase in the number of horses on the range to achieve minimum viable population sizes. In its discussion of sterility resulting from repeated PZP use on individuals, BLM states, “In a graduate thesis, (2014) suggested that repeated treatment with as few as three to four years of PZP treatment may lead to longer-term sterility.” EA at 37. Please provide the author to complete the citation. Given our lack of familiarity with GonaCon and our lack of understanding of its side effects and implications, we cannot endorse its use at this time.</p> <p>[11] Overall, we were disappointed to find that the impacts analysis sections for soils, vegetation, wildlife (including and especially sage grouse), and riparian areas contained merely vague, conclusory statement amounting to a list of impact types potentially ameliorated by wild horse reductions, with no effort to quantify the magnitude of the impacts. Comparison of impacts between wild horses and livestock likewise was limited to a sentence or two asserting that wild horses as individuals have greater impacts than livestock as individuals, in certain respects. There is some attempt to evaluate the overall impact of the current level of wild horse populations, in any kind of quantifiable way, or the magnitude of improvements (numbers of wild horses, pound of estimated vegetation eaten, etc.). Where is this information for livestock, which impact the same resources? There is no attempt at all to quantify the magnitude of impacts on the project area that the concurrent livestock grazing is having, or quantify the proportion of the impact attributable to either species, to apportion the impacts between the two species and identify which one reductions in numbers would confer the greatest benefit to the lands and resources. Please provide a detailed accounting of AUM allocation between livestock, wild horses, and wildlife within the HMA lands. Without such analysis, BLM cannot make a reasoned and informed choice between reducing wild horses, reducing livestock, or both. BLM has also artificially constrained its range of alternatives to exclude any reductions in livestock numbers, a failure to analyze in detail reasonable alternatives which is arbitrary and capricious and an abuse of discretion. These significant flaws in the agency’s EA analysis can readily be cured in a full-blown EIS.</p> <p>[12] For the reasons set forth above, the BLM will need to undertake a full-blown EIS, with a full range of reasonable alternatives, including at least two additional ones: reducing livestock grazing alone, and reducing livestock grazing in concert with a lesser reduction of wild horse numbers. The EIS will enable the BLM another opportunity to fully analyze and present a legally sufficient impacts analysis, and make a full presentation of key baseline information that is currently lacking, such as a Causal Factor Analysis for the Sheeprocks sage grouse population. Please keep us apprised of any and all additional opportunities to participate in the decision process for this project.</p> <p><i>[Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes.]</i></p>	<p>(NRC), commissioned by BLM, recommended that BLM consider genetic management of wild horses from the perspective of metapopulations. Under this framework, herds from individual HMAs should not be considered to be genetically isolated populations. Rather, BLM was encouraged to consider the historical and present connections between HMAs. Genetically, BLM was encouraged by NRC (2013) to maintain genetic variation across a number of potentially interconnected herds (i.e., many herds within a given metapopulation); the connections between herds may be maintained by natural emigration and immigration, or by human-assisted translocation.</p> <p>The genetically effective breeding size of a herd, Ne, is a reflection of the number of individuals that are contributing to the maintenance of genetic diversity (reviewed in NRC 2013); this number can be difficult to measure directly, but is related to the numbers of breeding males and females in a herd. If a herd consists of 40 breeding mares and 60 breeding stallions, then a simplified calculation of Ne (Hartl and Clark 2007) would lead to an estimate of 96. However, actual Ne is usually lower than the numbers of breeding animals present would imply, so the BLM Wild Horse and Burro Handbook suggests considering other options for maintaining genetic diversity when herd size is below about 150 animals due to habitat limitations or other considerations (BLM 2010). The handbook (BLM 2010) includes suggestions that can be considered for maintaining genetic diversity in small herds such as this one; these suggestions do not represent a specific, legally-binding, BLM policy.”</p> <p>[9] Livestock grazing was addressed in Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and again here in the Comment Report (BLM 2018). Rangeland heath assessment have previously been completed within the HMA, (BLM 1999, BLM 2002) and have concluded that livestock was not as causal factor for not meeting rangeland health standards. Livestock grazing continues under the terms and conditions of the existing grazing permits. Allotments within the HMA will be assessed as per the approved permit renewal schedule. During the permit renewal process the BLM will analyze impacts to vegetation, soils, riparian areas and water quality, as applicable. If it is determined that livestock is a causal factor in not meeting these standards, the BLM must rectify livestock grazing problems (43 CFR 4180.1).</p> <p>[10] EA has been updated with correct citation. Refer to the Fertility Control EA for the details of which mares are treated with PZP and when treatment would stop to allow them to foal.</p> <p>[11] AUM allocation can be found in the Pony Express RMP (BLM 1990). Development of the proposed alternative was not arbitrary and capricious, but rather driven by the requirements of the adaptive management section (MA-SSS-7 and Appendix I) of the ARMPA, and current knowledge of the relative threats to the Sheeprock sage-grouse population as described in the USFWS COT report (2013). See discussion of threats to the Sheeprock sage-grouse population in response [4].</p>

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1962	<p>[1] Please accept the following comments as well as 12 supporting attachments in separate emails from the American Wild Horse Campaign (AWHC) in response to the Environmental Assessment for the Onaqui HMA (DOI-BLM-UT-W010-2017-0009-EA).</p> <p>[2] These comments on the Onaqui Mountain Herd Management Area Population Control Environmental Assessment, dated July 12, 2018 are submitted on behalf of the American Wild Horse Campaign (AWHC).</p> <p>AWHC is a national non–profit organization dedicated to preserving the American wild horse in viable free–roaming herds for generations to come, as part of our national heritage. Our grassroots efforts are supported by a coalition of over 60 historic preservation, conservation, horse advocacy and animal welfare organizations.</p> <p>I. OVERVIEW</p> <p>[3] AWHC strongly opposes the use of skewed sex ratios and roundups in the Proposed Action for application in the Onaqui Herd Management Area (HMA). Rounding up 90% of the wild horses in the HMA, while planning to permanently remove 379 horses, is inhumane and uneconomical.</p> <p>[4] We conclude that the BLM should not proceed with the proposed action because there is already a successful PZP program in place within the HMA. Instead, the BLM should consider how to supplement the existing PZP program in the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>The BLM's refusal to acknowledge the successful use of humane fertility control to maintain wild horse populations at sustainable numbers without removals is as inexplicable as it is economically irresponsible and inhumane. The agency's endless removal of wild horses from this HMA not only contributes to the millions of taxpayer’s dollars that it costs to stockpile wild horses in short- and long-term holding facilities but also seriously compromises the welfare of these animals. Further, continuing to roundup and remove wild horses only makes the problem worse because it just fuels high population rates for horses left on the range. As the 2013 National Academy of Sciences (NAS) report has found “Removals are likely to keep the population at a size that maximizes population growth rate, which in turn maximizes the number of animals that must be removed and processed through holding facilities. (Attachment 1, p. 94).</p> <p>[5] AWHC opposes the helicopter roundup of approximately 450, or 90%, of the wild horses in the Onaqui HMA. There is no justification for the BLM to use our tax dollars on another roundup in the HMA. At a time when the BLM stockpiles nearly 46,000 wild horses in holding facilities and the NAS recommends use of fertility control as “a more affordable option of continuing to remove horses to long term holding facilities,” this proposed action represents a continuation of the BLM’s “business as usual practices” that the NAS found would be “expensive and unproductive for the BLM and the public it serves.” (Attachment 1).</p> <p>[6] The BLM’s plan to use skewed sex ratios, and alternatively GonaCon, to control populations is experimental in nature and not completely supported by science. NAS stated that more research was needed before such strategies could be utilized in the field because of their impacts on natural behavior and social organization. Specifically, the Oregon BLM even detailed the negative impacts of sex skewing and has rejected it out of hand in its 2015 Cold Springs HMA and 2017 Stinking water HMA Population Management Plans. (Attachment 2, p. 25 and Attachment 3, p. 21). In sum, research has not yet accurately determined the effects of these combined proposed management tools on natural wild horse behavior.</p> <p>[7] Instead of large–scale removals and skewed sex ratios, the BLM should manage this population on the range at the current level, using only PZP fertility control to reduce population growth rates and reduce the population size, if necessary over time. The PZP vaccine is a scientifically proven and cost–effective approach for reducing wild horse population growth rates and numbers over time. It is widely supported by mainstream humane and wild horse protection organizations. However, the vaccine must be used on a sufficient scale to impact population growth rates. (Attachment 1, p. 99-112).</p> <p>[8] As described in more detail below, it is AWHC’s position that:</p> <p>[a]• The BLM’s plan to remove federally protected wild horses from the Onaqui HMA lands violates federal law.</p> <p>[b]• The BLM must prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) rather than an Environmental Assessment (EA) from this proposed analysis because at least three distinct National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) “significance” factors are triggered, any one of which requires preparation of an EIS.</p> <p>[c]• The BLM must analyze a reasonable range of alternatives. The only difference between alternatives A and B is the immunocontraceptive to be used and alternative C is the no action option. The BLM failed to consider any alternative where PZP was implemented as the sole management tool to control the wild horse population without perpetual roundups, which are costly to American taxpayers and the horses themselves. The BLM also failed to further analyze a reduction or elimination of livestock grazing within the HMA.</p> <p>[d]• The BLM must take the requisite “hard look” at the environmental impacts of its action, which will result in short-term and long-term effects to federally protected wild horses left on the range, the family bands of wild horses that reside in this area, the genetic diversity of these wild horses, and the potential measures that could mitigate the impacts resulting from the BLM’s action.</p> <p>[9] For these reasons, AWHC strongly urges the BLM to prepare an EIS and to engage in a meaningful analysis of the reasonable alternatives to, and impacts of, the rounding up and permanent removal of wild horses from the range as well as the use of skewed sex ratios, and alternatively GonaCon, to reach and maintain AML in the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>II. BACKGROUND</p> <p>[10] A. NEPA</p> <p>Congress created NEPA more than four decades ago “[t]o declare a national policy which will encourage productive and enjoyable harmony between man and his environment; to promote efforts which will prevent or eliminate damage to the environment” 42 U.S.C. § 4321. In</p>	<p>[1] The AWHC’s comment letter, including its attachments were timely received.</p> <p>[2] Background information regarding AWHC’s membership and non-profit status. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[3 and 22] BLM discusses the sex ratio in the EA at Section 2.0.</p> <p>[5 and 21] BLM addresses funding and policy disagreements (such as euthanasia or helicopter use) in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018).</p> <p>[6-7] BLM’s Alternative C covers the AWHC’s proposal.</p> <p>[8-10, 12, 15-17, and 19] AWHC’s summary of the NEPA does not warrant a response. BLM discusses when an EIS would be initiated in the EA at Section 1.1. Refer to the rationale provided in BLM’s issued FONSI. Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1. Additional information regarding what issues and alternatives were carried forward for detailed analysis is contained in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and here in the Comment Report (BLM 2018). Wild horses are specifically discussed in numerous sections within the EA (including but not limited to physiology, social structure, and genetics). GonaCon-Equine would be used on mares that are not responsive to PZP.</p> <p>BLM addresses three alternatives that are carried forward for detailed analysis in the EA (Sections 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4). Alternatives that are considered but eliminated from detail analysis are identified in Section 2.5, in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and here in the Comment Report (BLM 2018).</p> <p>[11] This is the AWHC’s summary of the WFRHBA. A response is not warranted.</p> <p>[14] BLM addresses livestock grazing in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018) and again here in the Comment Report (BLM 2018).</p> <p>[4, 7, 13, 18, 20, and 24] Fertility control is a component in the three alternatives that are carried forward for detailed analysis in the EA (Sections 2.2, 2.3, and 2.4). Literature reviews and the effects of fertility control, including sterilization have been compiled by the BLM for PZP, GonaCon-Equine and sterilization (gelding/spaying). These have been added to the EA as appendices. As identified in the Scoping Report (BLM 2018), BLM considered but eliminated from detailed analysis an alternative that would manage the HMA with PZP only.</p> <p>[23] 2013 NAS Report “No method has yet been developed that does not have some effect on physiology or behavior. However, the effects of not intervening to control or manage population numbers are potentially harsher than contraception;...”</p> <p>“Three methods (PZP-22 and SpayVac, GonaCon, and chemical vasectomy) are considered the most promising for managing fertility in free-ranging horses and burros because they have the fewest and least serious effects on those parameters. In addition, although their application requires handling the animals’ gathering- that process is no more disruptive than the current method for controlling numbers, and it lacks the further disruption of removal and relocation to long term holding facilities. Considering all the current options, the three methods, either alone or in combination, offer the most acceptable alternative for managing population numbers.”</p> <p>Refer also to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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	<p>light of this mandate, the Supreme Court has reasoned that NEPA is “intended to reduce or eliminate environmental damage and to promote ‘the understanding of the ecological systems and natural resources important to’ the United States.” Dep’t of Transp. v. Pub. Citizen, 541 U.S. 752, 756 (2004) (quoting 42 U.S.C. § 4321).</p> <p>In achieving NEPA’s substantive goals, Congress created two specific mechanisms whereby federal agencies must evaluate the environmental and related impacts of a particular federal action—an EA and an EIS. See 42 U.S.C. § 4332(c). These procedural mechanisms are designed to inject environmental considerations “in the agency decisionmaking process itself,” and to “‘help public officials make decisions that are based on understanding of environmental consequences, and take actions that protect, restore, and enhance the environment.’” Pub. Citizen, 541 U.S. at 768-69 (emphasis added) (quoting 40 C.F.R. § 1500.1(c)). Therefore, “NEPA’s core focus [is] on improving agency decisionmaking,” Pub. Citizen, 541 U.S. at 769 n.2, and specifically on ensuring that agencies take a “hard look” at potential environmental impacts and environmentally enhancing alternatives “as part of the agency’s process of deciding whether to pursue a particular federal action.” Baltimore Gas and Elec. Co. v. Natural Res. Def. Council, 462 U.S. 87, 100 (1983). The alternatives analysis “is the heart” of an EIS or EA. 40 C.F.R. § 1502.14. NEPA’s implementing regulations require that the decisionmaking agency “present the environmental impacts of the proposal and the alternatives in comparative form, thus sharply defining the issues and providing a clear basis for choice among options by the decisionmaker and the public.” Id. Importantly, the NEPA process “shall serve as the means of assessing the environmental impact of proposed agency actions, rather than justifying decisions already made.” 40 C.F.R. § 1502.2(g) (emphasis added); see also id. § 1502.5 (requiring that NEPA review “shall be prepared early enough so that it can serve practically as an important contribution to the decisionmaking process and will not be used to rationalize or justify decisions already made”) (emphasis added).</p> <p>An EIS must be prepared by an agency for every “major Federal action significantly affecting the quality of the human environment.” 42 U.S.C. § 4332(c). Under NEPA’s implementing regulations, “significance” requires consideration of both context and intensity. “Context” considerations include the affected region, interests, and locality, varying with the setting of the action, and include both short and long-term effects. “Intensity” refers to the severity of impact, including impacts that may be both beneficial and adverse; unique characteristics of the geographic area, such as proximity to wetlands, wild and scenic rivers, or ecologically critical areas; the degree to which the effects on the quality of the human environment are likely to be highly controversial; the degree to which the action may establish a precedent for future actions with significant effects or represents a decision in principle about a future consideration; whether the action is related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts; the degree to which the action may adversely affect an endangered or threatened species or its habitat that has been determined to be critical under the Endangered Species Act; and whether the action threatens a violation of federal law imposed for the protection of the environment. See 40 C.F.R. § 1508.27. Where an action is not expected to result in a significant environmental impact, the agency must still prepare an EA and a FONSI. Id. §§ 1508.9, 1501.3.</p> <p>[11] B. The Wild Horse Act</p> <p>In 1971, Congress enacted the Wild Horse Act out of concern that wild horses were “disappearing from the American scene.” 16 U.S.C. § 1331. Declaring that “wild horses are living symbols of the historic and pioneer spirit of the West,” and “contribute to the diversity of life forms within the Nation and enrich the lives of the American people,” Congress directed that wild horses “shall be protected from capture, branding, harassment, [and] death” and “be considered in the area where presently found, as an integral part of the natural system of the public lands.” Id. To implement that mandate, Congress declared that BLM shall “protect and manage wild free-roaming horses and burros as components of the public lands,” and provided that “[a]ll management activities shall be at the minimal feasible level.” 16 U.S.C. § 1333(a). Under the Act, BLM manages wild horses on public lands within herd management areas (“HMA”), which are “established for the maintenance of wild horse . . . herds,” 43 C.F.R. § 4710.3-1, in the areas they used in 1971. 43 C.F.R. § 4700.0-5(d). The Wild Horse Act further requires BLM to manage wild horses “in a manner that is designed to achieve and maintain a thriving natural ecological balance on the public lands.” 16 U.S.C. § 1333(a). To do so, for each HMA, BLM must: (1) maintain a current inventory of wild horses in each HMA, (2) “determine [the] appropriate management level”—i.e., the AML—of wild horses that the HMA can normally sustain, and (3) determine the method of achieving the designated AML and managing horses within it. 16 U.S.C. § 1333(b)(1); 43 C.F.R. §§ 4710.2, 4710.3-1. An AML is “expressed as a population range within which [wild horses] can be managed for the long term” in an HMA without resulting in rangeland damage. BLM, Wild Horse Handbook, at 17. The lower limit of the AML range is “established at a number that allows the population to grow (at the annual population growth rate) to the upper limit over a 4-5 year period, without any interim gathers.” Id.</p> <p>Section 3 of the Wild Horse Act grants BLM the authority to manage and protect wild horses by permanently removing “excess” horses from public lands, but only after BLM specifically determines that: (1) “an overpopulation [of wild horses] exists on a given area of the public lands,” and (2) “action is necessary to remove excess animals.” 16 U.S.C. § 1333(b)(2). An “excess” wild horse is defined as one that “must be removed from an area in order to preserve and maintain a thriving natural ecological balance . . . in that area.” 16 U.S.C. § 1332(f) (emphasis added). Once BLM makes a formal “excess determination,” it may remove only those “excess animals from the range so as to achieve appropriate management levels.” 16 U.S.C. § 1333(b)(2). According to BLM’s wild horse manual, “[w]ild horses or burros should generally not be removed below the AML lower limit.” BLM, Wild Horse Manual MS-4720, available at http://www.blm.gov/style/medialib/blm/wo/Information_Resources_Management/policy/blm_manual.Par.27968.File.dat/MS-4720.pdf, at 4; see also BLM, Wild Horse Handbook, at 17 (wild horse removals should be conducted to “maintain population size within AML”). Removal of wild horses below the agency’s legally established AML may be warranted only “in emergency situations based on limited forage, water or other circumstances.” BLM, Wild Horse Manual, at 5. Before taking action to remove wild horses below AML if BLM determines that</p>	

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	<p>emergency circumstances exist, BLM must conduct an adequate NEPA analysis subject to public participation and provide a compelling “[r]ationale to justify a reduction below the AML lower limit.” Id.</p> <p>III. DISCUSSION</p> <p>[12] A. BLM Must Prepare An EIS For This Action</p> <p>It is clear that BLM is required to prepare an EIS for this action because the EA will be legally insufficient. The BLM must prepare an EIS due to the breadth and scope of the project. The Action will span 10 years and impact 205,394 acres that make up the HMA with the conduct of multiple roundups, removals, and other inhumane management practices of wild horses. Thus, BLM’s decision to prepare an EA here, in lieu of an EIS, is contrary to NEPA and its implementing regulations. Indeed, several of the NEPA “significance” factors are triggered by the proposed action, although the presence of only one significance factor requires preparation of an EIS. See Pub. Citizen v. Dept. of Transp., 316 F.3d 1002, 1023 (9th Cir. 2003) (“If the agency’s action is environmentally ‘significant’ according to any of these criteria [set forth in 40 C.F.R. 1508.27], then DOT erred in failing to prepare an EIS.”); Humane Soc’y of the U.S. v. Johanns, 520 F. Supp. 2d 8, 20 (D.D.C. 2007) (explaining that “courts have found that the presence of one or more of [the CEQ significance] factors should result in an agency decision to prepare an EIS”) (citations omitted); Fund For Animals v. Norton, 281 F. Supp. 2d 209, 218 (D.D.C. 2003) (same).</p> <p>The following significant factors are triggered here. Accordingly, the BLM is required to prepare an EIS on this extreme Proposed Action.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 C.F.R. § 1508.27(b)(6) – This factor addresses “[t]he degree to which the action may establish a precedent for future Action with significant effects or represents a decision in principle about a future consideration.” <p>With this EA, the BLM is adopting new approaches that could set precedent for how future actions proceed (whether or not they are subject to separate NEPA review) in numerous regards including, but not limited to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o The reduction in the number of wild free-roaming horses to the low AML of 121 is unsupported by research concerning the impacts of maintaining a genetically unviable herd. The action will set a precedent for the management of wild horses in all areas of the West. o The potential use of GonaCon as a management tool in a BLM herd being implemented before research documenting its behavioral effects is completed could set a precedent for the management of wild horses in all areas of the West. <p>Besides being counter to scientific recommendations, the BLM’s decisions in this EA could set dangerous precedents for management of federally protected horses across the West.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 40 C.F.R. § 1508.27(b)(7) – This factor is triggered if “the action is related to other actions with individually insignificant but cumulatively significant impacts. Significance exists if it is reasonable to anticipate a cumulatively significant impact on the environment. Significance cannot be avoided by terming an action temporary or by breaking it down into small component parts. <p>[13] The BLM already has an established PZP program within the Onaqui HMA. This program was established with an EA in May of 2015. The EA clearly states that the program will be fully implemented within 2-3 years. (Attachment 4, p. 7). This means that as of this year, the program has just taken full effect in the Onaqui HMA. While the BLM refused to consider an increase in PZP use within the HMA in the Proposed Action in this current EA, the BLM did decide to change the age of mares that are darted. The BLM’s decisions in the current EA compound with the actions of the 2015 EA. It is reasonable for the BLM to anticipate a cumulatively significant impact on the environment with these two EAs in place in the same HMA.</p> <p>[14] In addition, the BLM refused to analyze in greater detail the alternative for reducing livestock grazing in the HMA because the agency stated that this issue will be further analyzed in the permit review schedule. Grazing permits within the Government Creek, West Lookout Pass, and Indian Springs allotments will begin review in fiscal year 2019. (Attachment 5, p.3). If land health is shown to decline due to livestock grazing, the BLM expects to have a permit renewal EA decision in fiscal year 2021. The other allotments will follow the same process in the permit renewal schedule. Since the renewal process is set to begin in the next fiscal year, this action is reasonably foreseeable as an action that will compound with the decisions made in the present EA. The BLM must consider the implications of this future livestock grazing action on the wild horse management decisions in this EA.</p> <p>[15] Therefore, the BLM is required to analyze the interaction between these other actions and the current EA in a more thorough EIS.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> [a]• 40 C.F.R. § 1508.27(b)(10) – This factor is triggered if “the action threatens a violation of Federal, State, or local law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment.” <p>In its EA, the BLM cannot credibly assert that the proposed action does not threaten to violate any laws because the Proposed Action cannot be sustained under a plain reading of the Wild Horse Act or NEPA; meaning this action, on its face, violates these legal requirements. As explained above, the Wild Horse Act requires that “[a]ll management activities shall be at the minimal feasible level.” 16 U.S.C. § 1333(a). The current EA only analyzes invasive management strategies that disrupt the ongoing development of a current program within the HMA—a program that falls within the minimal feasible level requirement. Further, NEPA, in seeking to improve the process of agency decisionmaking, specifically focuses on ensuring that agencies take a “hard look” at potential environmental impacts. In several ways, the current EA has failed to meet this “hard look” requirement. Therefore, the EA “threatens the violation of...law or requirements imposed for the protection of the environment.”</p> <p>In short, an EIS is required when even one of these factors is implicated. Because at least three significance factors are triggered here, it is wholly inconsistent with NEPA and its regulations for BLM to prepare only an EA. Therefore, it would be a patent NEPA violation if BLM refused to prepare an EIS here. For all of these reasons, an EIS is required for this action.</p>	

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	<p>[16] B. BLM Must Analyze All Reasonable Alternatives Irrespective of whether an EIS or EA is appropriate under the circumstances, pursuant to NEPA, BLM must analyze all reasonable alternatives to the proposed removal of approximately 379 more horses from the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>[17] The BLM must consider more than three alternatives in this EA. The current alternatives considered are (1) a no-action alternative; (2) the “proposed action” which is the action the BLM is controversially taking to roundup 90% of the wild horses and remove 379 horses from the HMA. Then the BLM would use PZP to keep the horses at the low AML, thereby taking these wild horse populations on public lands to a number that is hardly sustainable; and (3) an alternative under which BLM would still roundup 90% of the wild horses and remove 379, but would instead treat mares with GonaCon, a highly controversial management tool. The BLM does not even discuss how the use of GonaCon would interact with the PZP program that is already in place within this HMA.</p> <p>Simply put, BLM’s evaluation of alternatives must address a full range of alternatives, including plainly reasonable alternatives. For example, since there is already a PZP program, working successfully in its third year of implementation within the HMA, the BLM should consider increasing the use of PZP within this HMA in addition to the proposal to lower the age of mares darted. The BLM should also address a reduction in livestock grazing within the HMA. The EA states that this alternative was not fully considered because it will be beginning in fiscal year 2019. However, the proposed action in this EA and livestock grazing will have cumulative impacts on the well-being of the horses affected by this decision. Therefore, the BLM is obligated to consider the livestock grazing issue fully in this EA.</p> <p>[18] Perhaps most confusing is that, rather than adopting an approach to support the present PZP program already in place in this HMA, the BLM chose to change its approach by aggressively pursuing helicopter roundups of 90% of the wild horses and permanent removal of 379 horses to reach the low AML. BLM’s refusal to consider alternatives that build upon the PZP program that is ongoing within this HMA is irresponsible and uneconomical. Rather than support the implementation of an existing PZP project, BLM instead altered the overarching approach to managing wild horses in the Onaqui HMA even though nothing was wrong with the original approach, which BLM itself found in 2015 to be the best approach consistent with governing law. Thus, it appears that instead of simply improving the existing program, BLM instead adopted the very different tact of fundamentally modifying the entire wild horse management approach that applies in the Onaqui HMA in such a manner that tramples on statutory obligations imposed by Congress.</p> <p>[19] Moreover, the BLM must take seriously its obligation to make the NEPA process meaningful by evaluating all reasonable alternatives to the proposed action, rather than using the NEPA process to justify its decision to once again remove hundreds of horses from public lands without even considering increasing and supporting the current PZP use in the HMA.</p> <p>For all of these reasons, and in order to satisfy the obligations of NEPA and its implementing regulations, the BLM must consider the obvious alternative of supporting and strengthening the existing PZP use in the HMA to achieve a healthy AML.</p> <p>[20] C. BLM Must Adequately Analyze The Impacts Of Its Action Moreover, the EA must adequately analyze the impacts of BLM’s proposed action on the wild horses themselves. In particular, BLM must account for the significant mortality rate and number of injuries resulting from helicopter roundups, the behavioral effects from skewing sex ratios, and the impacts on wild horse behaviors after the use of GonaCon. In addition, the BLM must analyze the roundup-related impacts to these horses and the post-roundup effects of placing them in holding facilities.</p> <p>[21] 1. Roundups AWHC asks that using helicopters to roundup wild horses be eliminated from the Proposed Action for the Onaqui HMA. The Proposed Action must consider that the use of helicopters to roundup wild horses leads to death and serious injury to these federally-protected animals. From December 28, 2009 through February 4, 2010, the BLM captured 1,922 wild horses in the Calico Mountain Complex. These roundups were some of the most closely watched in decades, and therefore represented the best that the BLM could offer in terms of helicopter capture procedures. Yet, as a direct result of the helicopter stampede, 86 horses died. Many more sustained injuries as a direct result of the helicopter stampede, transport to short-term holding, or confinement in “feedlot”-type holding pens. Sadly, an additional 40 heavily pregnant mares spontaneously aborted. (Attachment 6).</p> <p>Even the May 2015 EA for the Onaqui HMA excluded helicopter use from further analysis because it was deemed too expensive and too disruptive. (Attachment 4, p. 8).</p> <p>Helicopters should only be used as a last resort and water/bait trapping should be used as a preference. Helicopters have many unintentional negative impacts to the environment, to the wild horses, and to taxpayers. Therefore, the BLM should not move forward with the plan to use helicopters to roundup 90% of the existing horses in the Onaqui HMA.</p> <p>[22] 2. Skewed Sex Ratios AWHC asks that establishing skewed sex ratios as part of the management plan for the Onaqui HMA be eliminated. However, if the BLM chooses to continue skewed sex ratios as a management tool, the EA must consider that skewing of sex ratios is not scientifically supported and must analyze the effects that this practice has on the natural behaviors of the wild horses.</p> <p>The Oregon BLM detailed the negative impacts of sex skewing in its 2015 Cold Springs HMA and 2017 Stinkingwater HMA Population Management Plans and rejected it out of hand:</p> <p>Wild horse populations will produce roughly equal numbers of males and females over time (4700 WHB Handbook, 4.4.1). Re-establishing a 50/50, male to female, sex ratio is also expected to avoid consequences found to be caused by skewing the ratio in either direction. Sex ratio typically adjusted in such a way that 60 percent of the horses are male result in slightly reduced populations (Bartholow 2004), implying that</p>	

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	<p>ratios would need to be adjusted even further to account for a significant slowing of population growth. In the Pryor Mountain Wild Horse Range, Singer and Schoeneker (2000) found that increases in the number of males on this HMA lowered the breeding male age but did not alter the birth rate. In addition, bachelor males will likely continue to seek matings, thus increasing the overall level of male-male aggression (Rubenstein, 1986). (Attachment 2, p. 25 and Attachment 3, p. 21).</p> <p>Any analysis must adequately examine the negative impacts of sex ratio skewing, which have been acknowledged by the BLM itself. The BLM Beatys Butte EA DR FONSI 2009 (Attachment 7).</p> <p>If selection criteria leave more studs than mares, band size would be expected to decrease, competition for mares would be expected to increase, recruitment age for reproduction among mares would be expected to decline, and size and number of bachelor bands would be expected to increase. . . .</p> <p>The BLM EA FONSI for the South Steens Wild Horse Gather (Attachment 8).</p> <p>Skewing the sex ratio of stallions v. mares would result in a destabilization of the band (stallion, mare and foal) structure moving it from five to six animals to three animals. Social band structure will be lost resulting in combative turmoil as surplus stallions attack a band stallion trying to capture his mare. This could result in the foal being either killed or lost. The mare and foal will not be allowed to feed or water naturally as the stallion tries to keep them away from the bachelor bands of stallions, resulting in stress to the mare during her lactation condition.</p> <p>[23] 3. GonaCon</p> <p>AWHC asks that the use of GonaCon in the Onaqui HMA be eliminated from consideration. GonaCon is an experimental fertility control vaccine that interferes with the production of reproductive hormones, which drive natural behaviors in wild horses.</p> <p>Not much is known about the long-term safety and efficacy and the impacts to wild horse behaviors and natural social behaviors, which are the differentiating factors for these federally-protected animals. In fact, in response to a request from the BLM to review the best science and fertility control alternatives available for use in the BLM Wild Horse and Burros Program, the NAS specifically responded that: Preserving natural behaviors is important, so GonaCon seems [emphasis] more appropriate for use in females in that some research has suggested [emphasis] that female sexual behavior continues. However, further studies on behavioral effects of this product are needed. (Attachment 1, p.7).</p> <p>This experimental fertility control drug is not appropriate for field use and should be dropped from consideration in Alternative B. AWHC has addressed this issue previously in a September 2015 letter to the BLM regarding the use of GonaCon in the “Water Canyon” project in the Antelope HMA in Nevada. We incorporate by reference all the information contained in that letter, which is included at Attachment 9.</p> <p>The attached analysis reveals that because published research on GonaCon in horses is limited, there are remaining questions regarding negative impacts to pregnant mares (association with abortion when given in early stages of pregnancy), long-term physiological effects, and whether the vaccine is a permanent sterilant or reversible. Even the short-term social/behavior effects are not yet established.</p> <p>The BLM does not even discuss how GonaCon use would interact with the current PZP use in this HMA. This experimental fertility control drug is not appropriate for field use and should be dropped from consideration as an alternative in this EA. However, if the BLM retains consideration of GonaCon use as an alternative, then the BLM must analyze the behavioral impacts of GonaCon and its anticipated interactions with PZP in this EA.</p> <p>[24] D. Issues For In-Depth Analysis in the Environmental Assessment (EA)</p> <p>The following information must be provided, considered and analyzed in the EA:</p> <p>1. Continuing with only PZP</p> <p>Humane and cost-effective strategies for managing wild horse populations on the range through reversible, non-hormonal fertility control must be used more vigorously and without implementing removals.</p> <p>The BLM must consider management of the wild horse population at current levels utilizing Catch Treat and Release (CTR) methods for the vaccination of all mares over 1 year of age with the PZP–22 or native PZP fertility control vaccine. The use of PZP fertility control is scientifically established, cost–effective and widely accepted in the mainstream wild horse advocacy and scientific communities. (Attachment 1, p. 99-112). The BLM is obviously aware of these traits because of the previously established PZP program underway in this HMA.</p> <p>The current PZP program, has only just become fully implemented in its third year. The BLM stated within that EA that the program, started in 2015 would take three years to become fully implemented. (Attachment 4, p. 7). This means that only starting now will the BLM start to see what the use of PZP can do for this HMA. Therefore, since the PZP program is set to continue until 2020, the BLM must allow that to happen. [Note: paragraph numbering/lettering added for response purposes. Attachments are not reproduced here.]</p>	
1962	<p>I have travelled this area, and where I see more issues is with farmers allowing their sheep (especially) to graze and absolutely clear cut the area, so that no animal could survive. The first time I saw this it looked as though there had been a fire.. there was nothing but dirt. We drove on only to find the sheep and their gypsy herders. This sort of out and out abuse on the land is where the problem lies. The herd is a healthy one, but horses graze sporadically the land and move through, where cows and sheep and livestock tend to devastate an area making it hard for other animals to forage. I think the horses should be left where they are, they are also a huge source of Tourism for the Tooele region. With them removed, you will be cutting out a large part of people's reason to head to Tooele on their travels and vacations. This is a landmark site and if the iconic Mustangs (horses) can't been seen, it no longer remains a destination spot.</p>	<p>Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.</p>

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1964	I oppose the BLM’s fiscally irresponsible and inhumane plan for the Onaqui herd.	Refer to BLM's response to Number 1.