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Re: **Comments on Lander RMP Revision & EIS**

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I am completely opposed to your on-going round up efforts with wild horses and burros. This action in and of itself is cruel. The animals are terrorized, maimed, and driven to the point of exhaustion for the sake of ranchers who insist on taking over all available land for grazing. It is not enough that these ranchers have free access to vast acreage and government subsidies. It seems that they was to exterminate all wildlife.

The horses that survive these cruel, barbaric round ups are doomed to spend their lives in cramped holding pens and sold to slaughter houses or people who mistreat them.

Livestock outnumbers horses by 23 to 1 in the area being considered. If anything, the livestock should be removed! They are the ones causing environmental damage and contributing significantly to greenhouse gas accumulation.

Wild horses have to contend with enough natural threats to their survival. They shouldn't have to deal with the intrusion and devastation by man.

The only alternative proposed that is supportable is Alternative B. The BLM has mandates to protect wild horses and burros. It is time you started enforcing this mandate instead of bending in the face of political pressures of ranchers who have a monetary interest in seeing these animals destroyed.

Not only are the holding pens cruel, they are expensive to the tax payers. The entire round up process needs to be eliminated.

If money is spent on historic preservation, such as the Washington Monument and buildings, then these horses, descended from those that helped build our nation, should be treated as such as well. America would not be where it is now if it hadn't been for the ancestors of these horses.

Very very sincerely,

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