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Comments: 1. Lack of horse knowledge and their benefit to ecology in Plan and what makes a healthy herd.

2. Lack of survey of Americans who enjoy the Heber horses.

3. Lack of presentation of "other interests" and how they effect your decision.

4. Lack of Wild Horse people in your group.

5. The loss of land taken from the horses

6. The horse numbers need to be given back some of the land and to let the herd grow. and protect them.

Once I read through the Plan I notice the lack of information about the horses. How people in the 70's advocated for them, (even ranchers), How they benefit the environment, even how they help the cattle. What types of studies have been done. For eg: What are their social behaviors, what size groups does this herd tend to have. What is their migration schedule. What are their biggest stressors. Who enjoys the presence, how many are keeping their eyes on them via groups etc.

Our family have been enjoying the Heber horses and what they stand for over 25 years. We are snow birds from CO, WY, and MT and Heber horses are our favorites.

Through the years we have watched as puerdo ranches go up for sale that are no more than drop off shoots with 20-30k allotment acres. The Heber forest are the Publisc and the more the public and our horses are pushed out the more we see a need to completely revise the old outdated system of permitting. Selfishness, never works in the long run.

International players are taking advantage of you it seems. the horses are a check on this corruption.

The Plan is incomplete.