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Comments: I support sustainable management of the Heber wild horses on their range. I favor use of PZP to manage her reproduction. I am against roundups, especially when they place animals at risk for kill buyers and slaughter auctions. There are too many wild horses in holding corrals already and there is science behind keeping them wild on the range with scientific management.
The recent shootings of the horses should be rigorously investigated with stiff sentences for perpetrators. The public perception is that USFS doesn't care about this and may even be complicit with livestock interests to cover it up.
I believe that cattle should be managed better, and their numbers limited in favor of horses. Ranchers should pay competitive grazing rates, and should keep livestock on their own property and feed them hay, like most Americans do. I do not support the current system in which ranchers degrade and exploit our public lands, at the expense of wildlife and mustangs.
I used to live on open range and our property suffered damage from cattle. We've had horses, including mustangs, for decades, and they did little to no damage. It's clear to us that horses should live free on the ranges of the West, and cattle decreased and eventually eliminated.
Thank you for listening.