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Comments: The Minimum Our Species...Owe Wild Herds!!!

What is left of Wild America...The Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest and their Heber wild horses!!!

Appropriate Management Level (AML) must be in conformance with the 1971 Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act!

To meet the minimum standard for a genetically viable herd, AML should be at least 150 horses!

Management Plan must prioritize preserving natural wild horse behaviors!

As the National Academy of Sciences determined "preserving natural behaviors is an important criterion" for wild horse management!

Management Plan must include managing horses outside of the Territory through PZP and relocations not removals!

Any fencing within the Territory that prevents free movement must be removed!

Fencing...is inhumane, wrong and not in conformance with Congress' intent!

Any Plan must address seasonal movement of the horses and make a recommendation that the boundary be redrawn to be in conformance with historic wild horse usage and the animals' need to have access to suitable habitat throughout the year!

All source documents regarding historic horse use should be included in the Management Plan appendix!

Congress unanimously passed the WFRHBA because Americans LOVE...our wild horses and burros!

USFS must listen to the public when creating a management plan for these cherished American icons!!!

Thank you.