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Comments: Your draft wild horse management plan does not address the fact that commercial cattle ranching takes up approximately 80% of available public Western rangeland, leaving only a small fraction of public land (while accounting for large stretches of private land) for the horses. Helicopter roundups are cruel and unnecessary. Warehousing of the horses in large corrals in other states has not worked, as there are many hundreds more wild horses in captivity than there are on the range. Fertility control is the only wild horse control method that should be used, and gelding of band stallions ruins their family structure and should not be used.