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Comments: The plan AML is extremely low at just 50-104 wild horses on almost 20K acres. It is way too low to maintain a self-sustaining, genetically viable population of wild horses in the Territory.

Let the darn cattle ranchers pay to graze their cattle. If the people pay what it actually costs to eat beef, so much the better. We should NOT be sustaining the cattle industry at the cost to our wild mustangs.

Have the Forest Service relocate the horses that have strayed outside the boundry back inside the Territory boundary.

The plan provides for fertility control to be used to control the population growth rate of the horses in the Territory. The Forest Service must consider how:

(1) the use of these options will impact the health of the herd when the population is maintained at such a small population.

(2) PZP has over 30 years of proven efficacy and should be the preferred tool for use in the Territory.

(3) IUDs have not been proven humane or effective in wild, free-roaming herds and should be eliminated from further analysis.

Any necessary removals should be done exclusively through bait-trapping and over time, to meet adoption demand and ensure that the Forest Service does not add to the thousands of wild horses already in off-range holding facilities across the country.

Arrest the people illegally hunting the horses and protect the horses.