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Comments: I am writing to speak up for the Heber Wild Horses. The current Forest Service proposals about these horses concern me greatly, because they are just plain wrong. These animals are a valuable natural treasure, not a nuisance to be disposed of.

This herd may represent one of the only herds left in our country that have not been disturbed for some years. They could represent one of the healthiest herds with strong social bonds and functionally healthy behaviors which results from "leaving them alone." Wild horses know best how to limit their growth and survive when the elders remain in charge of their bands. It is believed this is happening with the Heber herd. The BLM has falsely claimed that they herd doubles in size every four years. If that were true, there should be thousands now, when there are a mere 400 or so. They must be preserved and protected.

The Forest Service wants to drastically and unnecessarily reduce their numbers when this herd has managed well without any interference. The FS measures are deadly and will also destroy the social structure of the remaining herd, doing irreparable harm to the survivors.

As stewards of God's Creation, we are bound to, first, do no harm. The Forest Service is a part of that stewardship.

Please, do the right thing.