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Comments: My name is Scott R. Giles. I have been a property owner in Navajo County for over twenty years. I purchased my property in Pinedale where I was planning on building my retirement home. Shortly after the purchase the Rodeo Fire destroyed my dream. I cleared the land of all the burnt trees and did what I could to aid in it's recovery. After nearly twenty years the value of my property finally reached a point where I could sell it and buy a new piece of property in the Heber area. I chose the property because of the Heber Wild Horse's. The Rodeo Fire destroyed one dream. Now the Forest Service is planning on destroying another by removing the Heber herd of wild horses. I strongly oppose the removal of the horses. I currently live in Mesa. I have spent considerable time with the Salt River Wild horse herd. I have observed the amazing work that the SRWHMG has done in humanely managing the Salt River Herd. There program has been very successful. The same program would work for the Heber herd if implemented. The Heber horses belong to WE THE PEOPLE not the Forest Service. The Forest Service is simply an agency that WE THE PEOPLE have hired to manage the forest assets. Therefore, as one of WE THE PEOPLE, I am asking that the Forest Service cancel their plan to remove the Heber herd. The herd needs to be allocated the same grazing and water rights as the cattle that graze in the forest are given. Please stopany action to remove the horses.