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Comments: The Herber wild horses are a part of the ecological area and as such need to be managed in a way suitable for the environment but also for the benefit of the horses. The Salt River Wild Horse Management Group is a prime example of how to manage this. Their PZP program has reduced the number of foals born each year dramatically. While preventing pregnancy it still allows for natural behaviors and for those mares not on PZP, the entire herd benefits from the process of natural selection. Only the strong and healthy horse breed which keeps the genetic pool diversified and strong. The Herber wild horse can also be managed in such a way and the reduction by removing horses is not in the best interest of the herd in the long term. I ask that you reconsider this idea and look at the program the Salt River Wild Horse Management Group and the AZ Dept of Wildlife have come together to create. It is a very successful program.