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Comments: With regard to the Heber Wild Horse Management Plan and the management of wild horses in general, the translocation of wild horses and reduction of wild horses due to ongoing Gathers is resulting in very negative implications to wild horse herd integrity and the ability of wild horse herds' sustainability and survival. Genetic integrity of wild horse herds is a significant concern when numbers are reduced below sustainable numbers as in the case of the Heber Management Plan and should be given due consideration. This needs to be taken into account before any further roundups and removals of iconic mustangs, wild horses and burros removals from their home ranges on our public lands! Wild horses should be given priority per the intent of the Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act of 1971...not reduced to non-sustainable genetic viability numbers as proposed by the USFS.