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Comments: The purpose of the Wild Horse protection act was not meant for "management" for the benefit of only a very small minority of forest users. Ranchers should not be considered "stakeholders" on land that is meant to belong to all of us. If ranchers want to use land for their own use, they can purchase it. I work in the closest "major city" and the ranchers there use land they bought themselves. Giving cheap access to these people to basically destroy it for their own selfish wants and needs is not what the forest service is meant to do. The forest service should also not be violating the law by appeasing the sorts of people that murder federally protected animals to make some sort of political statement. Those of us that oppose "managing" animals that are in no way "in the way" far outnumber those who think the forest is there for cheap access to land. Access they should not be given to begin with.

I spend more time in our local woods than most people do, and the horses are not in the least bit in the way. I travel throughout our forest and rarely see horses. The only time I see an overabundance of them is when they are lured into a specific area and rounded up. They do not pose any kind of threat. They are not in any way such a large herd that violating the law is necessary or warranted.