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Comments: I am against this proposal. Reducing the herd to these numbers would exterminate these horses. IF all but these few are sterilized, the genetic diversity would be lost resulting in their elimination.

I live in the White Mountains. Much of our economy depends on tourism. These people want to see elk, deer, wolves and horses. They are not interested in viewing cattle. The argument that the horses are not native begs the question of how native the cattle are. I feel the horses are being reduced to allow more cattle to use the land. Cattle are more destructive and definitely not native. These horses are supposed to be protected. I don't think this proposal protects them. What will happen to the horses who are rounded up? Will they be sold to the kill pens for the Mexican meat market? I will be there with a camera to document their fate.

There must be a better solution.

Thank you for your time and consideration