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Comments: Regarding Heber Wild Horses,
I am concerned that the Forest Service apparently has plans to remove a large number of the Heber Wild Horses and sterilize the remaining horses so that the continuation of this herd would be basically an impossibility. Firstly, the Wild Horse and Burro Act of 1971 protects these animals from such an elimination. They live and graze mostly within the National Forest, which should rightfully include the entire 818,651 acres. As the WH&B Act states they are " an integral part of the natural system of the public lands". Secondly, there should be much more information gathered regarding the sustainability of this herd. Please do nothing until a full scientific study is completed that shows the impact of all animals, including cattle and humans, on this area And, an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) is also imperative. Thirdly, there are many more humane and acceptable forms of managing wild horse herds than the one planned for this Heber Wild Horse Herd. Continuing to fill holding pens with wild horses is not an acceptable solution. Please do your due diligence in finding a better solution that is lawful and humane.