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Comments: The Heber Wild horses are not over populated. This is a protected herd and should not be rounded up to reduce numbers. PZP is not an answer as it comes with many of its own issues and the herd does not need to be managed but rather protected. There are many visitors and residents of the area who frequent regularly which would impact the businesses in the area financially. There are still ranchers using public lands with no discussion of limiting that. This boils down to the ranchers want them removed so they have a larger amount of land to graze cattle. This herd dates back to the Spanish conquistadors who settled in the area. These horses should not be rounded up, or reduce the herd by other means. Keep them wild and free, they are part of our western history and this should be maintained. I am only one of many who bring my family to the area to observe the zheber Wild Horses several times a year and shop locally, get lodging locally, etc. which is great for the local economy.