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Comments: National Forests are not intended as grazing lands for any DOMESTIC animal. They are reserves of uncontaminated land originally set aside for "the public good" even if no one was yet aware of the carbon sinks they provide, that benefits to air quality, cooling, native habitats, and humanity's mental health. Such ecosystems are a delicate balance that Nature maintains dynamically for the benefit of all its residents. Exposing such lands to commercial ANYTHING violates the spirit under which these lands were set aside in the first place, and will, as has happened before, cause its own environmental disaster. One only has to look at the impact of wolf, bear, and cougar killings elsewhere in the Rockies to (re)discover how tilting the ecological balance for Domestic animals causes far more harm than good long term. FORESTS ARE ALWAYS a long term issue!

IF BLM insists on running feral horses, and donkeys off public lands due to "over grazing" - species that are not so stupid as to eat themselves out of house and home, but instead migrate to greener pastures frequently, leaving the land time to recover before they return- consider how much MORE damage sheep, which will graze land BARE will do to comparable spaces. IF horses grazing is unacceptable, cattle, sheep, and goats are (in that order) far more devastating grazers on the same types of land. Non of the domestic livestock are likely to leave sufficient gazing for the animals that Live in the forests in balance with what it provides.

There is no space for domestic animals in National forests so long as Horses are being culled for using the same lands. National forests belong to the PEOPLE of the world, and the animals that inhabit them - not "superplufious" land to be abused by ranchers because it happens to be handy.