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Comments: Hello,

I am a land owner in Baca County Colorado and live at ----- in Campo. I have a Comanche pasture on my east property border that is overrun by prairie dogs. I have a runway for my small airplane that the p dogs have drossed over to and now I have multiple holes in my runway. Not safe. Whoever the lady (PHD) is that wrote you about prairie dogs being slaughtered by hunters is delusional and I'm willing to bet she doesn't live here in the county. There has been a huge population increase in the last 2 to 3 years. This is one area we need help in getting them under control. One drive through Baca County and you'll see what I mean. The other land use issue I have that is conservation oriented is the tremendous amount of overgrazing that I see on government pastures. This year not so much, because of our good rains, but unfortunately this overgrazing is much more obvious in years of lesser rainfall and drought. I've watched it for years and it's very disheartening to see the grasslands grazed down to almost dirt. I don't feel like there is any oversight making sure this doesn't happen. My family enjoys recreational use of the grasslands including hiking and hunting. I can see there are third party interests about the management plan and hope you will listen to the people that live here and see the grasslands every day. We have our reasons for living here and the National Grasslands are a huge part of the reasons. Please contact me if you need proof of anything I have said, including that the lady "PHD" that wrote to you is speaking with emotion and not truth.

Sincerely,

Stan Elmore