



# WILD HORSE ADVOCACY & EDUCATION

## THE ENVIRONMENT

**MYTH:** Wild horses are destructive to public lands

**FACT:** Native wild horses play an ecologically beneficial role on the land they roam by dispersing seeds through elimination (a natural fertilizer), keeping the landscape vibrant. Non-native cattle and sheep erode soil, deteriorate vegetation, contaminate water and produce excessive methane pollution.

75% of Americans oppose costly and cruel mass wild horse roundups

80% of Americans oppose killing or slaughtering wild horses

90% of women oppose horse slaughter

83% of Westerners oppose slaughter

Data collected by American Wild Horse Campaign

## FIRE ABATEMENT

### Did You Know...

Wild horses provide natural and free wildfire abatement to help reduce the frequency and intensity of catastrophic wildfires.

Horses scratch off dead and dying limbs up to 6 feet above the ground and graze the brush fuel underneath the trees they use for shelter, resulting in more fire resistant trees and less spreading when dead wood does catch fire.

**Source: Impact Of Wild Horses On Wilderness Landscape And Wildfire** (Preliminary Findings Report),  
By William E. Simpson II - Naturalist  
July 25, 2019

## WHAT VOTERS SAY



Mass roundup of over 200 wild horses from the Onaqui herd during September 2019-- nearly half the herd even though wild horses are present on just 17% of BLM rangelands.

## THE NARRATIVES

The wild horse issue on BLM managed land is decidedly a federal issue. However, you can leverage your voice at the state level to correct the false narratives whenever possible. Your constituents deserve your support.

In Utah, 57% of the public would not vote for politicians who favor wild horse slaughter.

Protect the health of Utah land by allowing an indigenous American icon to roam free.

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## WHAT YOU CAN DO

Please take time to understand the wild horse issue in your legislative backyard.

Help promote fair herd management based on accurate science among your federal colleagues who support inhumane and unsubstantiated mass roundups.

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