

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) misled CBS 4 Denver Investigative reporter Kati Weis when they provided her with a prepared statement suggesting that there was no way that Wild Horses could be deployed into wilderness areas that are economically and ecologically appropriate outside of the BLM operated Herd Management Areas (HMAs) pursuant to the Plan known as 'Wild Horse Fire Brigade' ('Simpson's plan')

There is a way, and embarrassingly, it's cited at their own website, as well as online at the Congressional website (links just below)

Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2017 (HUMANE TRANSFER OF EXCESS ANIMALS SEC. 116 a.

<https://congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/house-bill/1625/text?q=%7B%22search%22%3A%5B%22hr1625%22%5D%7D&r=1>

b. <https://blm.gov/policy/im-2018-052>

Any state, county or city (or any state or county gov. agency can get wild horses under the Humane Transfer Act. Under the ACT, the wild horses transferred to entities become 'Work Animals' and have the same standing on the landscape as 'Livestock'.

And then using established cooperative wildfire grazing policies that counties currently use with federal land managers to deploy livestock onto Federal and State Forest Lands for wildfire grazing, County or State owned 'Work Animals' can be used and deployed in the same manner under the same well-established wildfire grazing policies.

As example, I have copies of Letters from Siskiyou County to local Federal (USFS) Rangers re-upping existing livestock grazing in federal Forests in the County. So, while it's not a well-known method, it is a current and legal path to putting wild horses (aka: 'Work Animals') back into wilderness for wildfire grazing, which is an ongoing enterprise as is seasonal renewal of grass and brush. Wild horses have been living in the American wilderness for 1.7-million years without any human management needed. It only becomes needed when wild horses are commingled with livestock in Herd Management Areas (HMAs), where there is intense competition for finite resources. That is not the case in remote critical-designated wilderness areas outside HMAs.

The BLM prefers to get \$335,000 from livestock grazers (just in Colorado) and elsewhere, and then turn around and bilk American taxpayers for nearly \$100-M/year funding their obtuse wild horse management scam.

As for American Wild Horse Campaign's comment... I offer this comment back: They live handsomely off the plight of wild horses... and their only solution is to use Wild Horses as Lab Rats, by using controversial chemical treatments (PZP) to control breeding in confined un-naturally operating populations which is Selective Breeding, an without their co-evolved predators present providing critically important Natural Selection, the combination of which leads to genetic erosion, genetic defects, and the ultimate failure of the species.