

“Wild Horse Commission support of wild horse funding/5 year plan was key to getting funding from Congress” taken from Section 7: Comments from Lander County Workshop on December 11, 2000. www.lands.nv.gov/policies/coment00.pdf

BLM should have sale authority regarding wild horses like the National Park Service, US Fish & Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Need to look at other alternatives for wild horse management besides adoption, such as private gathers and use for dog food.

BLM tends not to be able to control burns.

Some years ago the feds cut down pinyon-juniper to improve habitat-that led to too much grass that tends to burn.

How can NDOW allow hunting of sage grouse when it's being considered for listing under ESA?

Wild Horse Advocates should fund wild horse program.

Wild Horses may be contributing to sage grouse problem.

When livestock must be removed from the public land, wild horses and elk should also be removed to be fair.

Wild Horses- worked closely with Senator Reid to get 9.5 million dollars for Nevada for gathering excess horses, we are way over populated again, the problem is the money is in Washington, DC. BLM and they will not release it to come to Nevada so we can actually accomplish the intended purposes of gathering overpopulation of horses. Washington is micro managing, asking for more and more paperwork even now, not releasing the money as intended. Meanwhile the horse numbers are skyrocketing and the damage to the resources here in Nevada are tremendous. Asking Nevada to lean on Washington DC to break loose the money, send it here so we can do the gathers in a timely manner.

Need to improve habitat to enhance wildlife-not including wild horses.

More management needed of wild horses.

Support elk plan that was prepared but not happy with how NDOW and BLM implements it.

Lack of implementation of elk plan will also likely occur on any OHV plan the county is working on.

Elk plan implementation problem due to lack of agency respect/compliance with plan findings/agreements: need to better police ourselves. The NDOW is saying we can do what we

want since the BLM first “dropped the ball”. NDOW ignores plan-only interested in selling elk tags.

OHV and wild horse policies are inconsistent; shouldn't allow damage from one but not other. OHV use can be as damaging as wild horse use. These should be treated equally since wild horses are an introduced species.

Wild Horse and Burro Act led to takings of grazing rights; they don't have adjudicated grazing rights therefore they are imposing on private property rights. The AUMs for horses were taken from allotments and this must be addressed in state policy plan. The State seemed to allow this to happen and they shouldn't have.

Need more funding for gathers.

Get government out of the wild horse business and give it back to private enterprise.

In new action plan allows us to reach horse AML's, still need extra follow up money to maintain AML's. Need to sterilize horses when AUM's are reached. This should be part of the wild horse plan.

Use grazing as a way to better control vegetation/grass that is a fire risk.

Allow more use of AUM's to reduce fire risk.