

## WILD HORSES - in danger!

Every year tens of thousands wild and domestic horses are shipped across US Borders into Canada and Mexico for slaughter to supply the foreign demand for their meat.



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“In a lifetime of working with horses, Gary Kidd, 73, had never adopted an untrained wild mustang before. But when the federal government started paying people \$1,000 a horse to adopt them, he signed up for as many as he could get. So did his wife, two grown daughters and a son-in-law. - In fact, by the time he spoke on the phone, the animals were long gone. Records show that Mr. Kidd had sold them almost as soon as he legally could. He and his family received at least \$20,000, and the mustangs ended up at a dusty Texas livestock auction frequented by slaughterhouse brokers known as kill buyers.”

New York Times May 15, 2021

<https://www.nytimes.com/2021/05/15/us/wild-horses-adoption-slaughter.html>

WILD HORSE AND BURRO REMOVALS			
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Wild horses and burros have virtually no natural predators and their herd sizes can double about every four years. As a result, the BLM removes thousands of animals from the range each year as part of its efforts to control herd sizes.			
Fiscal Year	Horses	Burros	Total
2021	11,748	1,918	13,666
2020	9,181	1,643	10,824
2019	6,126	1,853*	7,979
2018	9,749	1,723	11,472
2017	3,735	474	4,209
2016	2,899	421	3,320
2015	3,093	726	3,819
2014	1,689	168	1,857
2013	4,064	112	4,176
2012	7,242	1,013	8,255

\*Includes 2 mules

The BLM has removed over 70 thousand Wild Horses from our public lands. They claim these removals, which are inhumane to say the least, are necessary to “control herd sizes”.

TRUTH IS – it is all about the use of PUBLIC LAND for PRIVATE ENTERPRISE!



Information provided by Thundering Hooves Non-Profit

### Wild Horses Not Being Treated Fairly by BLM and Ranchers, etc.



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“...Golden presents a lopsided view that exaggerates the wild horses and their impacts while ignoring the much greater impacts and relative proportions of domestic cattle and sheep operations and other resource exploiters.”

By [Craig Downer](#) - February 6, 2022



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### HOW YOU CAN HELP - Protect Wild and Domestic Horses and Burros From Slaughter

On February 27, 2025 a new **Bill, H.R. 1661- SAFE Act of 2025, (SAFE Act H.R. 1661)**, designed to protect our horses from slaughter, was introduced to the U.S House of Representatives by, Vern Buchanan (R-FL). This important legislation ...” permanently prohibits the slaughter of equines (e.g., horses and mules) for human consumption. (Current law prohibits the slaughter of dogs and cats for human consumption. This bill extends the prohibition to equines.)

**TAKE A BOLD STAND FOR THE HORSES** – contact your representatives, urge them to co-sponsor the Safe Act H.R. 3355 and stop allowing private enterprises to profit off the suffering of horses. Remind them that horses are sacred animals to be respected and treated humanely in life and death.



FIND YOUR REPRESENTATIVE HERE:

<https://www.house.gov/representatives/find-your-representative>

Thank you! – Neta Rhyne

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