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Wild to Mild



Understanding The Issue

Many people are unaware of the effects the overpopulated wild horses have on all of us. Our public lands can't sustain the number of horses it once did, especially with the rise of cattle grazing on the lands. The decline in natural predators allows a herd to double in size every four years, pushing the horses far beyond capacity. In 1971, the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) signed a bill, promising to manage and protect the wild horses. Part of their plan was to round up overpopulated herds and place the horses in holding pens until they are adopted. The BLM is fully reliant on the public to adopt these animals, so they have many programs in place, but these programs are not well-known, forcing them to sink. So, to help these horses we need to get more people involved in these programs.

"In their eyes, shine stars of wisdom and courage to guide us through the darkness."

~ from the book, Wild Horses





About Charlotte

At 14 years old, I adopted my first wild mustang, a yearling gelding (boy), who I named Captain. I was given 60 days to train him and get us ready to compete against other trainers in the same situation. This experience started my mustang training journey, and five years later, I have trained and competed with 8 other mustangs. After the competition, the horses are adopted out into their forever homes.