

I am completely against the removal of any of the WILD horses from the Theodore Roosevelt National Park as they are an integral part of the beautiful and historic scenery, native wildlife and possess wilderness qualities that citizens and tourists have come to love.

The WILD horses in the Park are descendants of the original Badland horses with historical lineages that trace all the way back to the horses surrendered by Sitting Bull in the late 1800s. Being that the Teddy Roosevelt horses are No Dakota's ONLY wild horse herd, they should be protected and left to roam WILD and FREE. Keeping the herd at a minimum of 150 horses to ensure a genetically viable herd.

SCR 4014 will help support ecotourism and business development in North Dakota by protecting the WILD horses and it is also consistent with the wishes of 80 percent of Americans who want the WILD horses protected and to roam FREELY there.

I am sure President Theodore Roosevelt if alive today to witness such removal would be fitting mad and fight like hell to protect them from any such removal. Removing the herd will certainly have a negative impact on tourism and I for one will not spend nor visit there.

*"There can be no greater issue than that of conservation in this country." - Theodore Roosevelt*

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