

## **Mission Statement**

The purpose of Backcountry Horsemen of Washington is to perpetuate the legal and moral claim by the American people to use horses and mules for recreation on public lands.

## Objectives

The primary objective of the corporation is to work toward the perpetuation of the legal and moral claim by American people to use horses and mules for recreation on public lands.

To unite horsemen as a viable contracting group to work with governmental and public agencies to achieve the goals and objectives of the corporation as stated in its articles of incorporation.

To educate and inform horsemen and other interests in or affected by the policies and programs of the corporation about the impact of horse use on backcountry lands, especially fragile areas; to encourage responsible citizen involvement in governmental actions affecting such public lands; and to demonstrate that the horsemen are citizens concerned about protecting the environment as well as sustaining equilibrium for the community and the country.

To oppose unjustified restrictions on, and closure to, horse use on public lands.

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