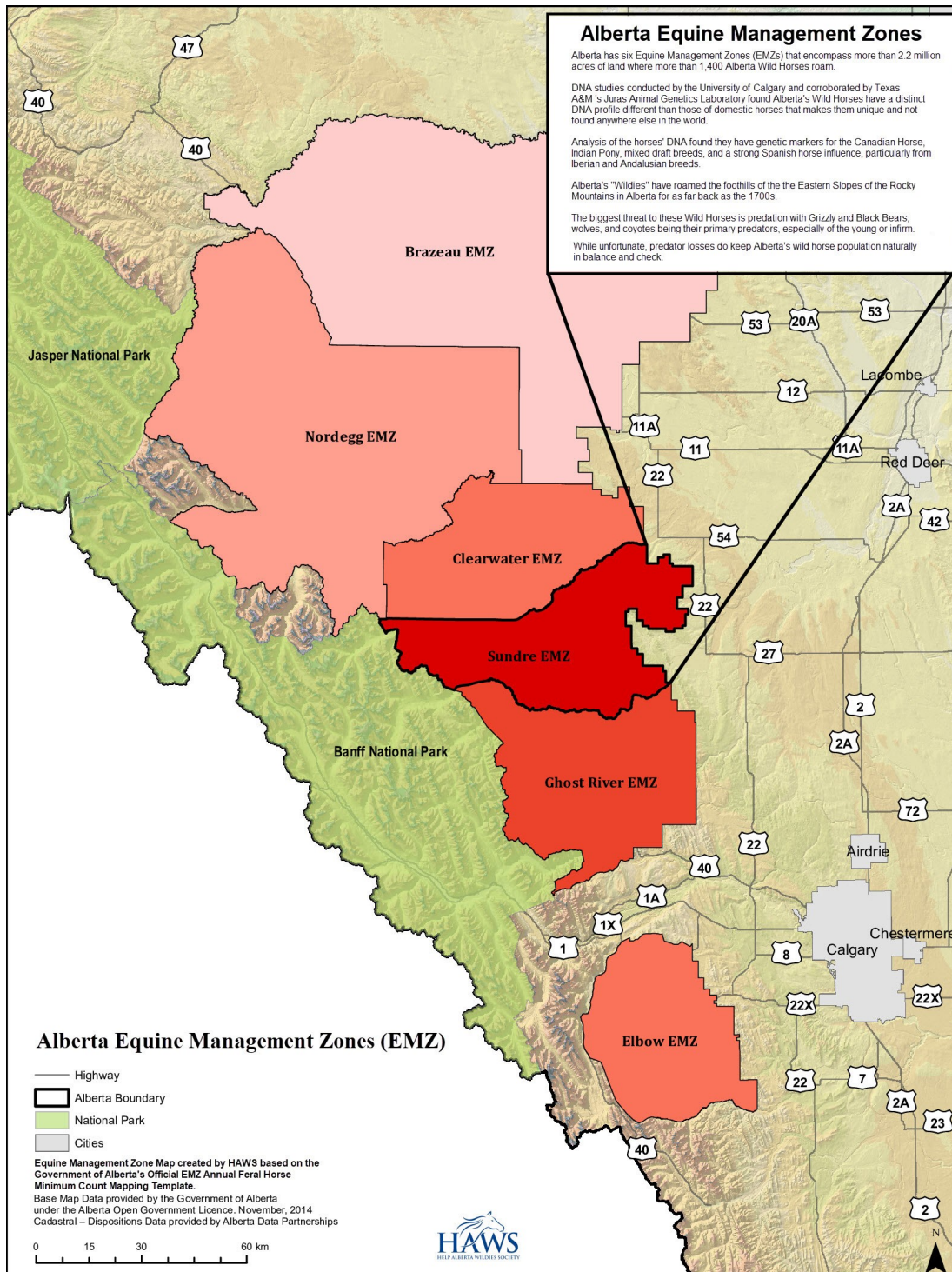


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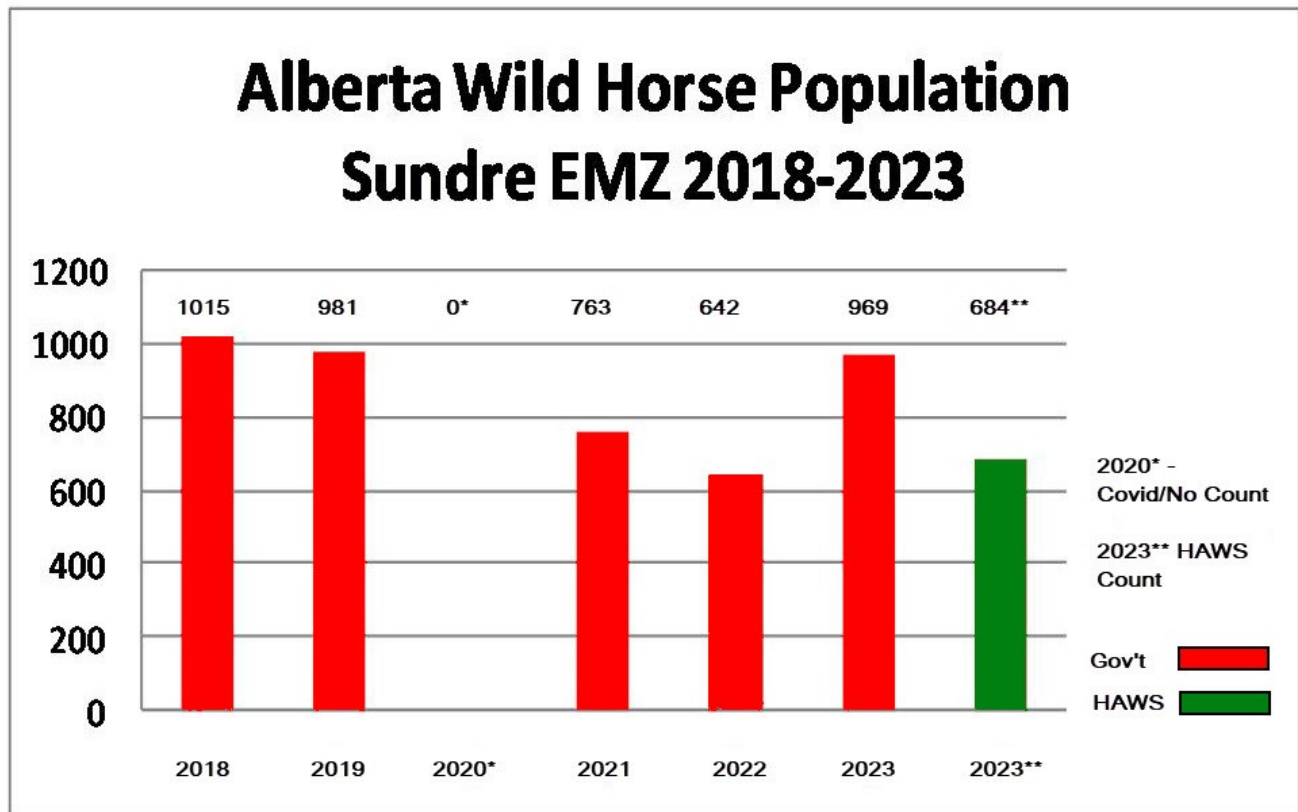
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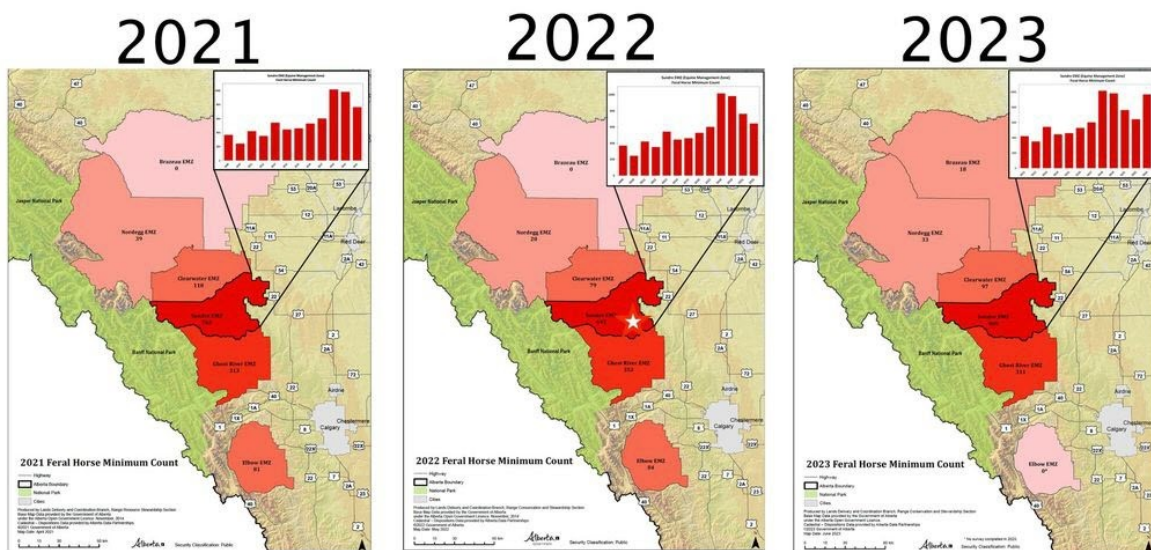
**Population is Static and Has Been in Decline Since 2018  
Due to High Levels of Predation**

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The Alberta Government has just published misleading Sundre Wild Horse Population Numbers for 2023



**Sundre EMZ 763**

**Sundre EMZ 642**

**Sundre EMZ 969**

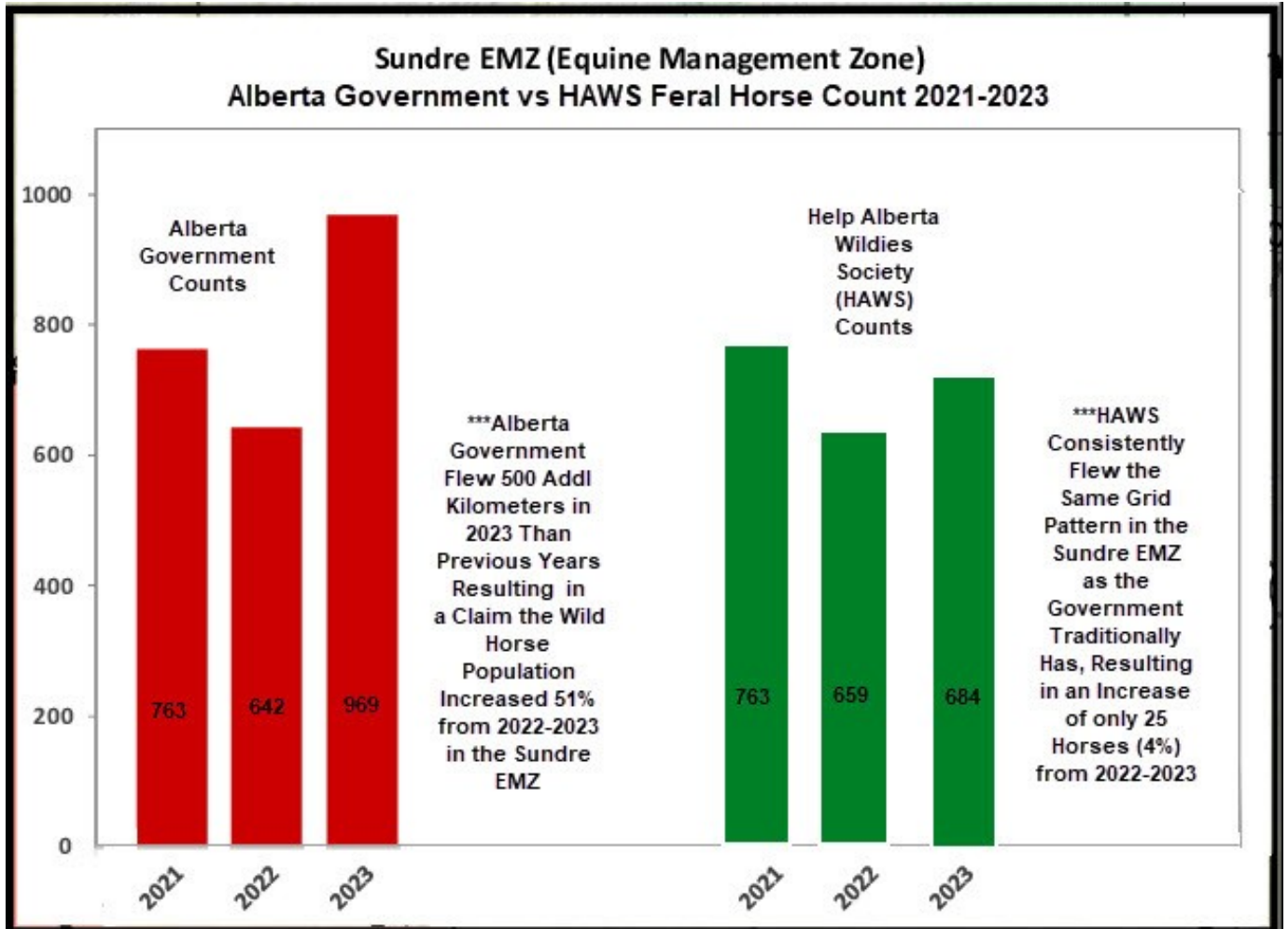
An increase due to zone migration is also impossible given wild horse populations in other EMZs are static.

Such an increase, (51%), is biologically impossible in one year's time.

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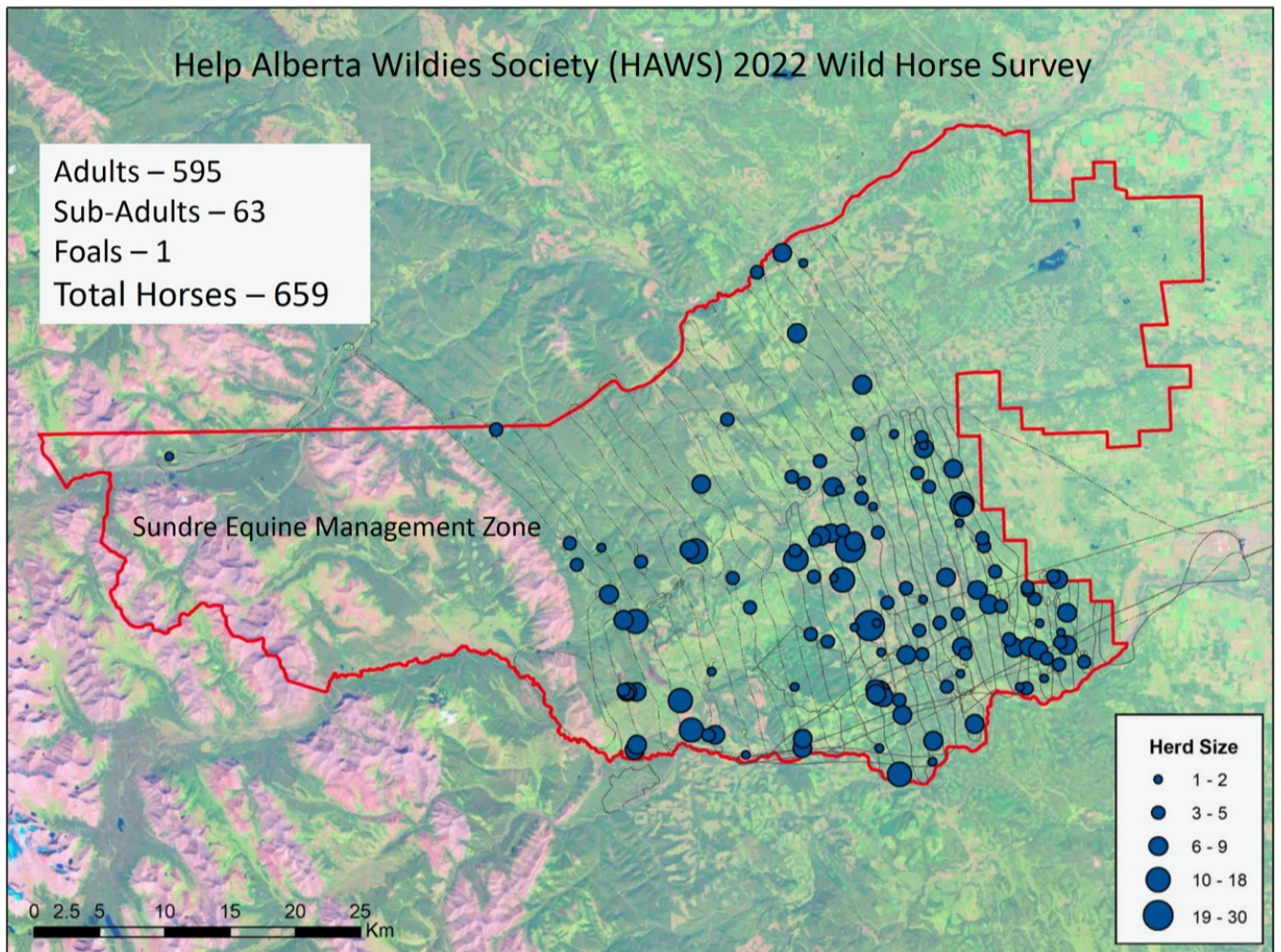


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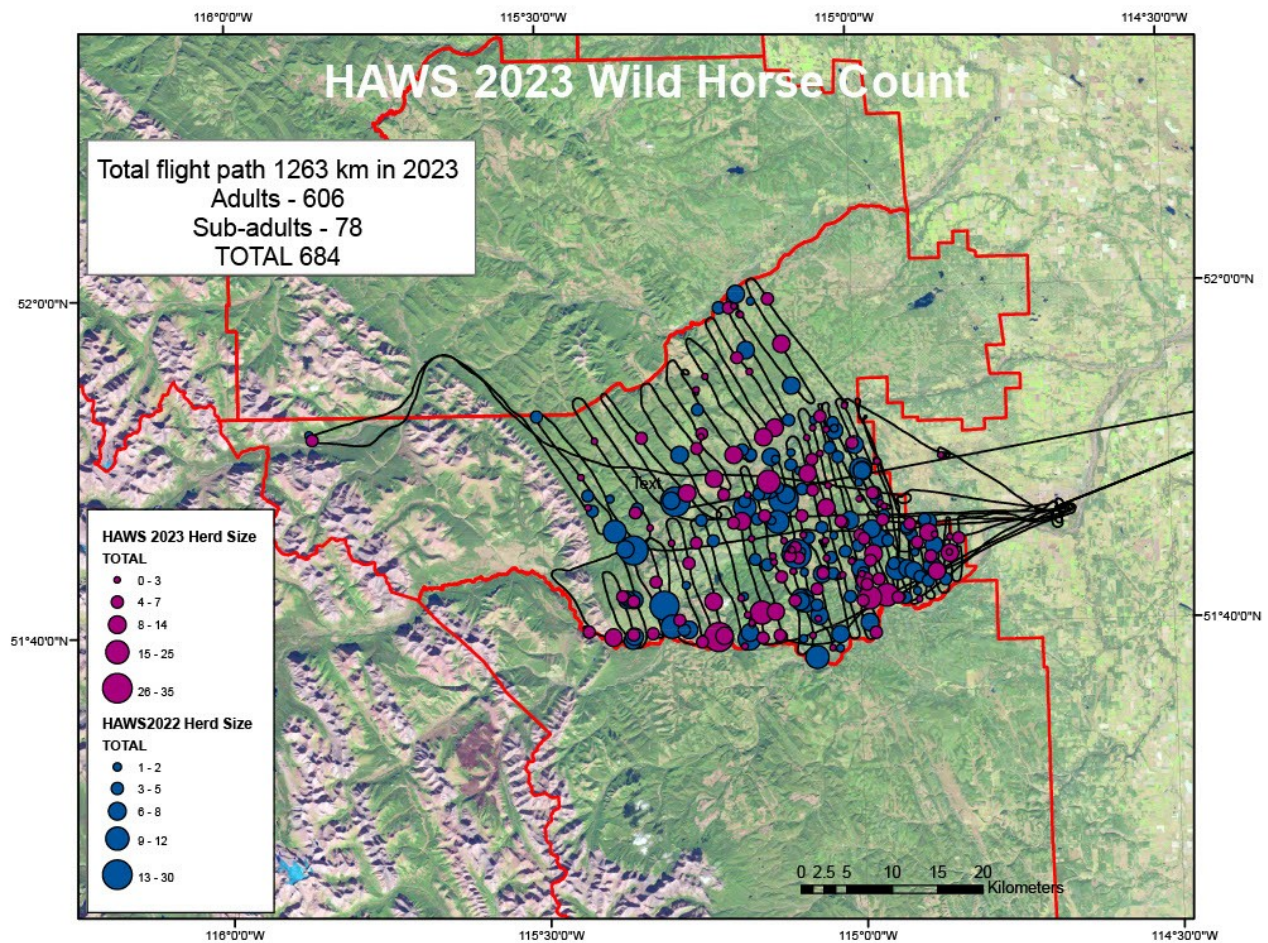


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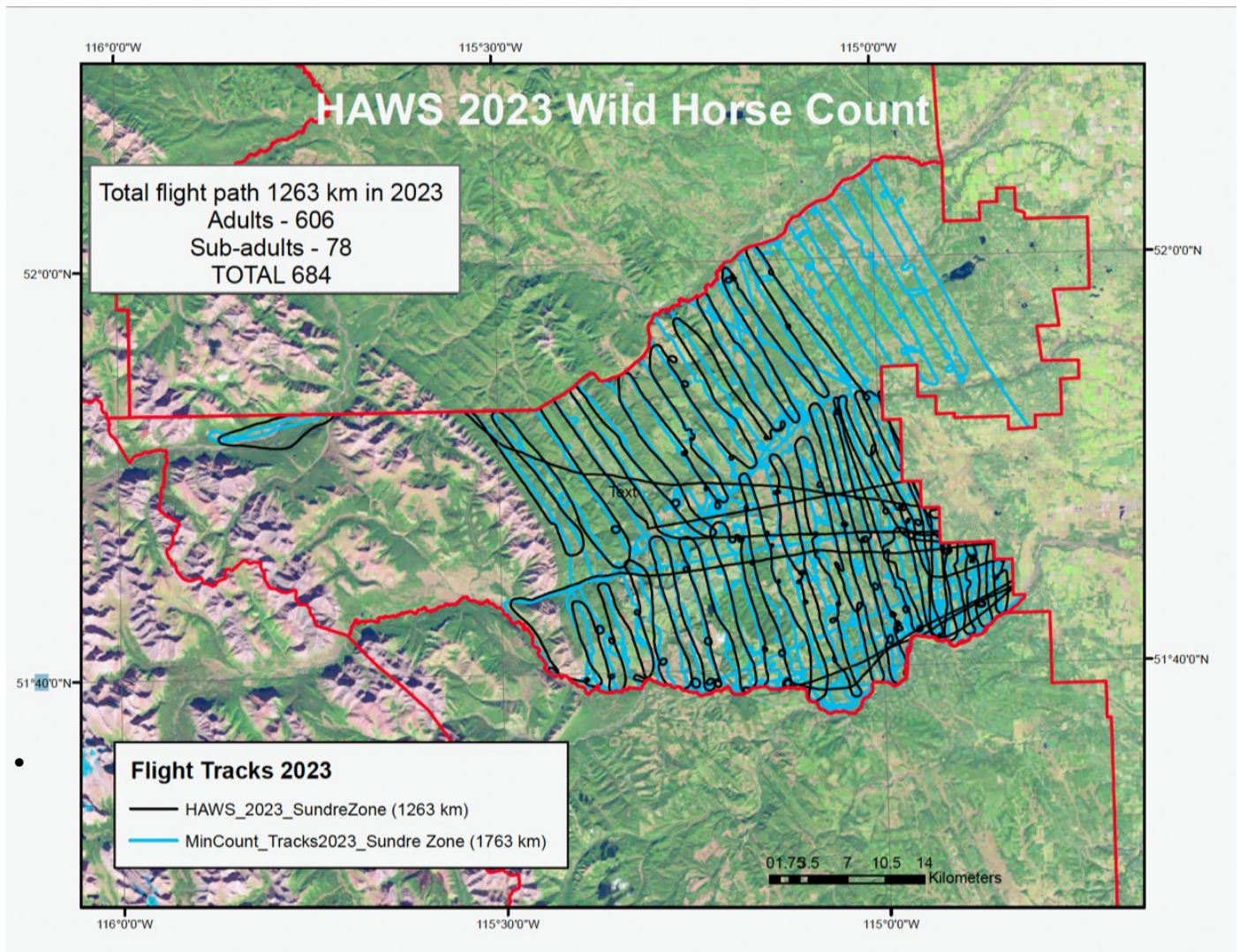
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## 2023 Wild Horse Aerial Population Count Summary

- In 2023, HAWs flew an identical flight path to the one flown in 2022 by both HAWs and the government. **2023 HAWs' kms flown = 1,263 Horses Counted = 684**
- The Alberta Government flew an additional 500 kms in the Sundre EMZ over what they flew in 2022. **2023 GofA kms flown = 1,763 Horses Counted = 969**



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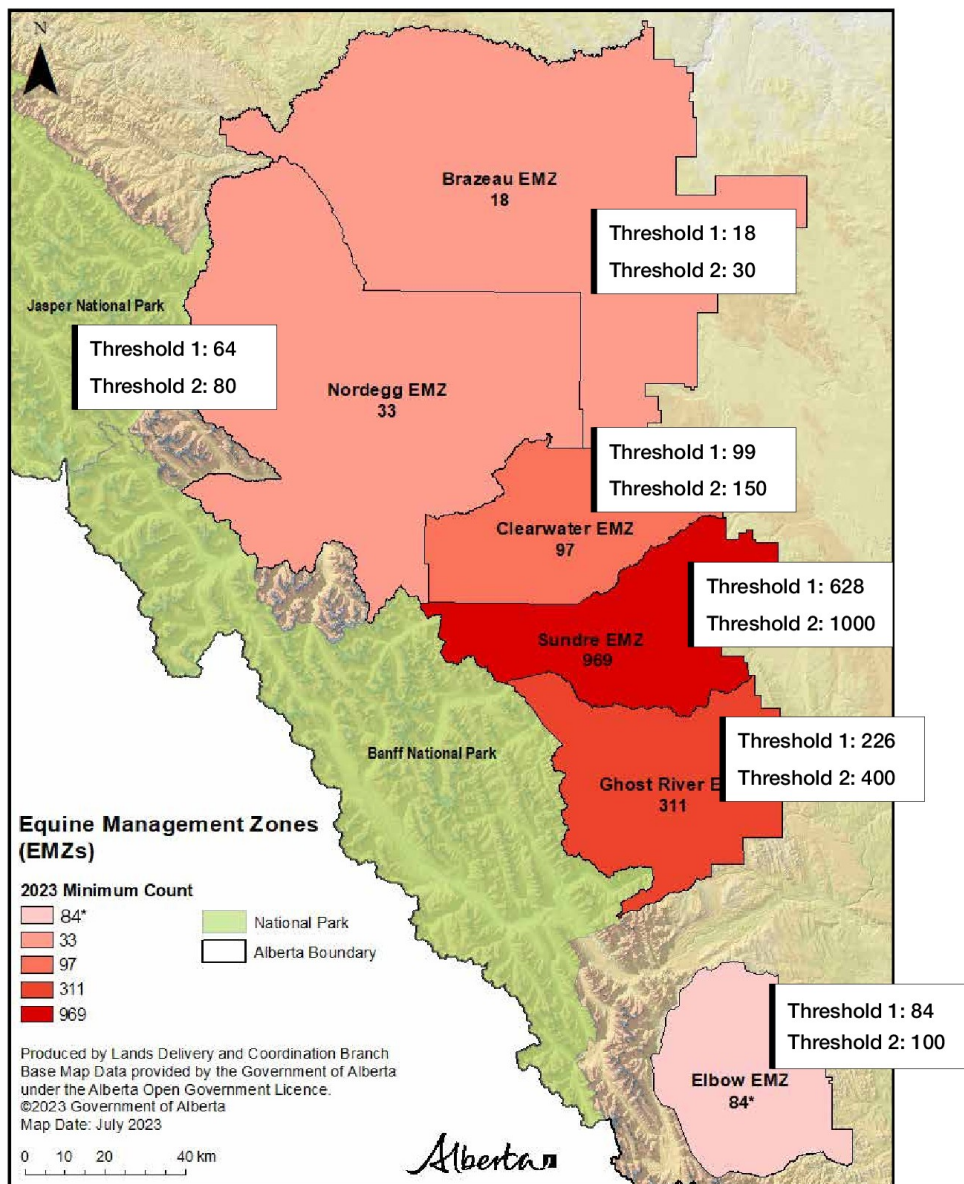


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**FIGURE 7**

Map representation of the framework thresholds for each EMZ. In this map, the colouration refers to the relative horse abundance based on 2023 minimum counts.

\* indicates a count from surveys completed in 2022.





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**Inflated 2023 Government Horse Count Puts Wild Horse Population in Sundre EMZ Perilously Close to Threshold That Will Trigger Culling and/or an Equine Contraception Program to Reduce Wild Horse Numbers**

2023 Government Count: 969 (Result of flying 500 kms more of the zone than in 2022)  
Threshold That Would Trigger Culls/Contraception: 1000

2023 HAWs' Count: 684 (Based on flying identical flight path as government did in 2022)

**TABLE 2**  
Feral Horse Management Framework tiers.

	<p><b>Population levels unacceptable and are not ecologically sustainable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Immediate management action required to reduce herd size and/or density</li> <li>• Proactive actions and humane removal of horses implemented to bring populations below Threshold 2 levels</li> </ul>
Threshold 2	
	<p><b>Population levels are a concern and could trend to ecologically unsustainable if unmanaged</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Management actions implemented to reduce risk of exceeding Threshold 2</li> <li>• Collaborative management to address landscape concerns and/or local herd density</li> <li>• Focus on proactive actions to maintain population levels and ensure they don't continue to grow</li> </ul>
Threshold 1	
	<p><b>Horse population acceptable and ecologically sustainable</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring</li> <li>• No active management except for welfare and public safety</li> </ul>