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Hello Tyler,

It was an interesting week in Washington, D.C., with committee hearings, floor votes, and constituent outreach. I want to thank everyone who attended our Wyoming Wednesday – it was a privilege to visit with all of you and learn about your federal priorities and what more I can do to support them as your lone representative in Congress.

In honor of Police Week, the House passed multiple bills to better recruit, retain, and protect cops and to combat the drug smuggling and human trafficking disaster at our southern border.

As we celebrate our police officers this week, I ask you to keep the family and friends of Sheridan Police Sergeant Nevada Krinkee in your thoughts and prayers. Sergeant Krinkee was killed this February while protecting his community, and his service and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Houses Passes FAA Reauthorization Act

On Thursday, the House passed the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) Reauthorization Act of 2024, which sets forth the agency's appropriations, activities and programs, as well as other key components of the United States' National Airspace System. Among other priorities, the bill, which now heads to the White House to be signed into law, increases Congressional oversight of the FAA and National Transportation and Safety Board (NTSB), directs new efforts to increase safety on commercial aircraft, reforms the Essential Air Service (EAS) Program that provides air service to rural communities, and provides for a variety of programs to address the shortage of pilots and air traffic controllers.

I am pleased to report that the reauthorization bill includes several amendments and language requests that I submitted, including provisions to reduce acquisition and maintenance costs of airport equipment and technology, train new "non-Federal weather observers" to provide critical weather reports to pilots operating near airports, and address rural workforce shortages. Finally, the bill includes a section that accomplishes the goal of my [Backcountry Aviation Protection Act](#) to protect pilots conducting off-airport operations from FAA enforcement actions. I am proud to have these Wyoming priorities included in this bill and to vote in favor of its passage.

Democrats' Lawfare Against President Trump Evident by Recent Unconstitutional Gag Order

On Wednesday, the Select Subcommittee on the Weaponization of the Federal Government held a hearing on the Left's lawfare against President Trump. Knowing they cannot win at the ballot box, Democrats have made it their mission to undermine Mr. Trump's candidacy through sham impeachments in Congress, rogue prosecutions, and reliance on activist judges in liberal judicial districts. The media has also been weaponized against the former president, as Americans are being told Mr. Trump is "guilty" despite never having been convicted by any court.

Joe Biden's involvement with these sham proceedings is becoming more and more apparent with each passing day. For example, in DA Bragg's political prosecution, the lead prosecutor of the case, Matthew Colangelo, is a "former" Biden DOJ official and DNC consultant. Presiding over the case is Judge Merchan, who made campaign donations to President Biden and the Democratic Party during the 2020 election, and whose daughter is a political consultant working for the Democratic party and numerous Democrat candidates (including Rep. Golden from NY, someone who uses his position on the Select Committee to bludgeon President Trump about *these very proceedings*).

Judge Merchan has issued an unconstitutional gag order on President Trump while other trial participants are free to criticize him in the media. One of the witnesses at our Select Committee hearing this week – a 35-year veteran of the DOJ – testified that while gag orders may be entered *against the prosecution* in certain criminal cases to prevent them from leaking information to the press and tainting the jury pool, he has never heard of a gag order being imposed *against a defendant*, thereby prevent him or her from exercising their First Amendment rights.

The Left's clear bias against Mr. Trump is a threat to anyone who disagrees with its liberal agenda, and therefore, our republic as a whole. To watch my questioning at the hearing, click [here](#).

The AWARD Act Will Place Merit Over Diversity

The Federal Government administers multiple misguided federal award programs, the goals of which are to institute its discriminatory diversity, equity, and inclusion (DEI) agenda at every turn and ultimately make merit-based decision-making a thing of the past. Recent WSJ [reporting](#) exposed the National Institute of Health's (NIH) Faculty Institutional Recruitment for Sustainable Transformation (FIRST) program which directs American taxpayer dollars towards colleges and universities, to fund diversity-focused hiring in biomedical science. One main [component](#) of the FIRST program is that award recipients must mandate all FIRST faculty to submit "diversity statements." Colleges now pursue radical hiring and onboarding [practices](#) that prioritize an applicant's commitment to DEI over merit-based qualifications and professional experience.

In response, I introduced the Abolishing Woke Awards for Research and Development (AWARD) Act that would require the NIH to select federal awards recipients based only on merit and the intrinsic research and scientific benefits presented by each proposal and application. The bill further prohibits the NIH from mandating the use of diversity statements or any other DEI material or documentation as a qualification for, or condition of receipt of, a federal award.

A Win for Wyoming's Mail!

As many Wyomingites know, the United States Postal Service (USPS) has sought to consolidate Wyoming's only Processing and Distribution Centers (P&DC) in both Cheyenne and Casper and transfer most, if not all, of Wyoming's mail processing to facilities to Denver and Billings. These changes have been strongly opposed by your congressional delegation, state officials, industry stakeholders, and many more throughout the state.

Fortunately, after receiving significant pushback from Congress in the form of letters and legislation, including my bill, as well as staff from my office demanding answers, the USPS has decided to "pause the movement of processing operations associated with the Mail Processing Facility Reviews." Postmaster General DeJoy's [letter](#) specifies that he will commit to pausing any implementation of these moves at least until after January 1st, 2025, at which point USPS will notify Congress and move at a moderated pace. While we want to ensure these moves do not proceed at all for Wyoming's P&DCs, this is a step in the right direction. It's my hope that Congress will pass my [POSTAL Act](#) which would ensure that consolidation never occurs and that Wyoming will always maintain a postal processing center.

The Bureau of Land Management is Failing the West

The Bureau of Land Management's abysmal failures and radical climate activism were on full display this week, and Americans across the nation are starting to realize just how much this agency has been weaponized against the West. Just two weeks after Interior Secretary Haaland admitted to having never heard of the Rock Springs Resource Management Plan, eco-terrorist and BLM Director Tracy Stone-Manning admitted to only a brief review of the "main chapters" of the plan that radically shifts how millions of acres of land in Wyoming will be managed. When I asked Director Stone-Manning whether spending only 1 week developing their preferred Alternative B (while spending 6 years on Alternative D) would satisfy the requirements of FLPMA, she avoided the question and stonewalled. She also admitted that her agency has done nothing to assess or address the massive environmental harm caused by the illegal alien invasion at the Southern Border. Her testimony again exposed the fact that she does not know how the BLM's mineral leasing and permitting process works or how the oil and gas industry operates.

In addition to Stone-Manning being unable to defend the actions of the BLM over the last year, we now learn that BLM has published a new resource management plan that would ban all coal leasing in the Powder River Basin, crippling 12 of Wyoming's coal mines and devastating our economy and the economy of the nation as a whole.

At the same time, the BLM released its proposed Western Solar Plan that designates 22 million acres across the West for solar power development, a move that will negatively impact the use of 162 million acres across 11 states. These actions will absolutely destroy our nation's reliable and affordable power and cause prices to skyrocket, while also being destructive of our environment and wildlife. In response, [I led a letter](#) with 7 other Members of Congress opposing the Western Solar Plan.

I also joined with Senators Barrasso and Lummis to [denounce](#) the Buffalo Field Office's land use plan that is designed to destroy our coal industry. This plan will bankrupt Wyoming and turn the lights out on America. We will continue to diligently work to block it.

See What I'm Doing in D.C.! Add Me on Social Media:



Events and Announcements

Come Attend My May 31 Town Hall!

I'm proud to announce my 13th town hall of 2024 will be in Converse County! If you live in the area, I hope you will attend.

Converse County Town Hall:

Friday, May 31, 2024 – 5:30 to 6:30 PM

Eastern WY College, Douglas Campus

800 S Wind River Dr, Douglas WY

Upcoming Congress in Your Communities

Each week that I am in DC, my staff hold mobile office hours around the state to hear your concerns and assist with casework requests. Schedule an appointment [here](#) or by calling 307-261-6595. Exact addresses for Congress in Your Community locations will be provided once meeting times are confirmed.

Congress in Washakie County:

Thursday, May 23, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Worland, WY

Congress in Park County:

Thursday, June 6, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Cody, WY

Congress in Hot Springs County:

Tuesday, June 11, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Kirby, WY

Congress in Goshen County:

Tuesday, June 25, 2024 – 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

Lingle, WY

Recent Votes

See below for highlights of this week's votes; for more information on each bill, click on the bill number. For my full voting record, [click here](#).

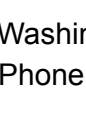
- Voted **YES** on [S. 546](#), the Recruit and Retain Act, which expands the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program to recruit more police officers.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 7659](#), the *Coast Guard Authorization Act of 2024*, which reauthorizes key Coast guard authorities and programs.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 3935](#), the *Securing Growth and Robust Leadership in American Aviation Act*, which reauthorizes the Federal Aviation Administration through 2028.
- Voted **YES** on [H.Res. 1210](#), which condemns the Biden border crisis and the tremendous burdens law enforcement officers face as a result.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 7343](#), the *Detain and Deport Illegal Aliens Who Assault Cops Act*.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 6960](#), the *Emergency Medical Services (EMS) for Children Reauthorization Act*, which extends the EMS for Children State Partnership Program.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 8146](#), the *Police Our Border Act*.
- Voted **YES** on [H.R. 8369](#), the *Israel Security Assistance Support Act*, which withholds funding from the State Department and Department of Defense until the Biden Administration supplies the weapons authorized by Congress to Israel.

Cosponsored Legislation

Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

- [H.J.Res. 110](#), which nullifies the Treasury Department's *Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds* rule.
- [H.R. 8369](#), the *Israel Security Assistance Support Act*.
- [H.R. 7872](#), the *Colorado River Salinity Control Fix Act*, which modified salinity control unit requirements.
- [H.R. 6530](#), the *Energy Parity Act*, which supports an all-of the above energy approach and ends the Biden Administration's favoritism toward wind and solar by preventing any reduction in solar and wind capacity fees without an equal reduction in royalty rates for oil and gas.

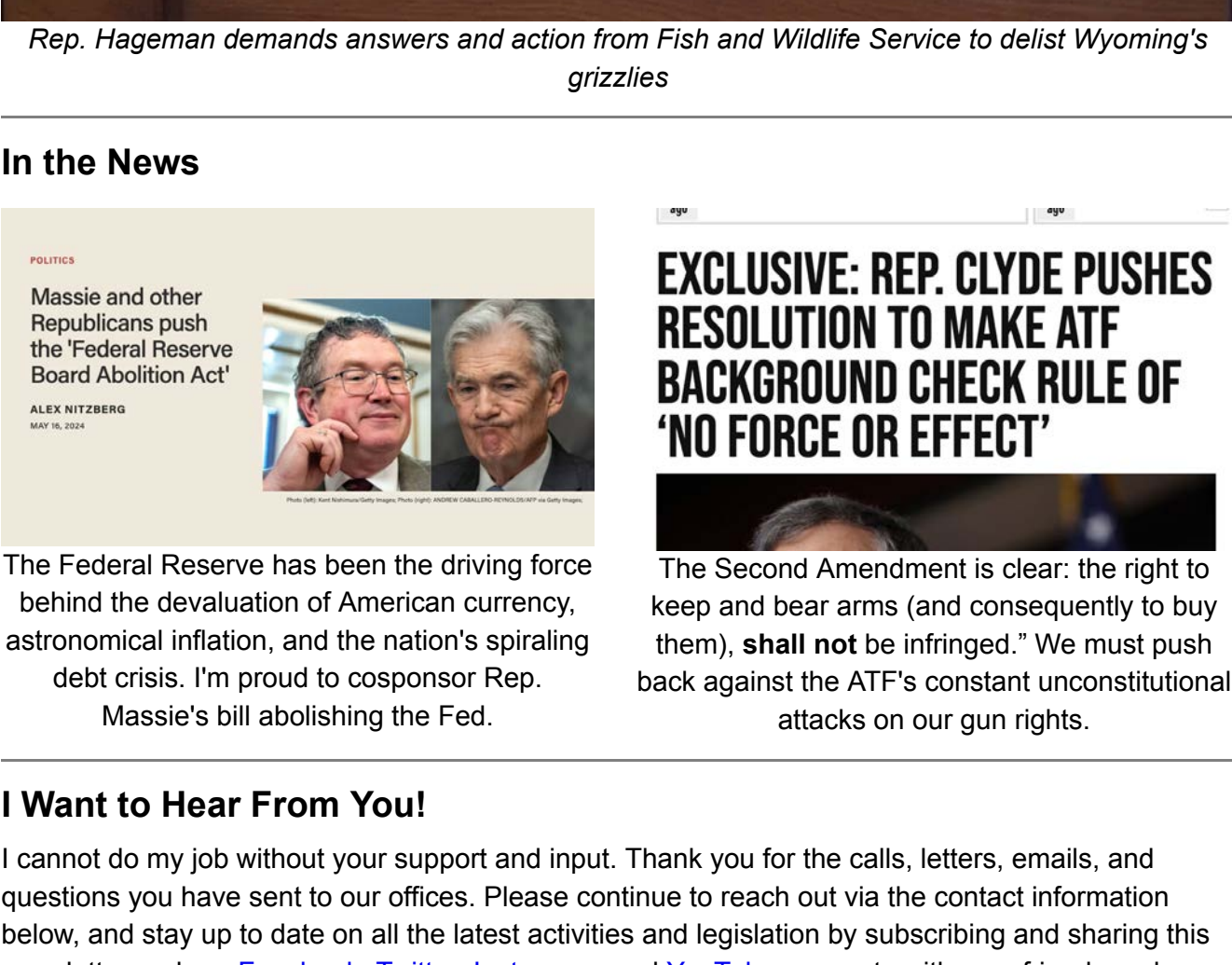
Tweet of the Week



Rep. Harriet Hageman @RepHageman · May 15

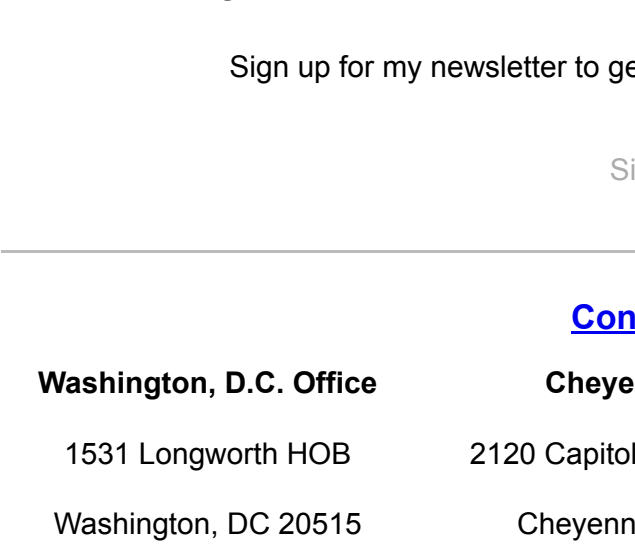
Today we honor the 62 brave men and women who have lost their lives to keep Wyoming's communities safe. Your service and sacrifice will never be forgotten.

Video of the Week

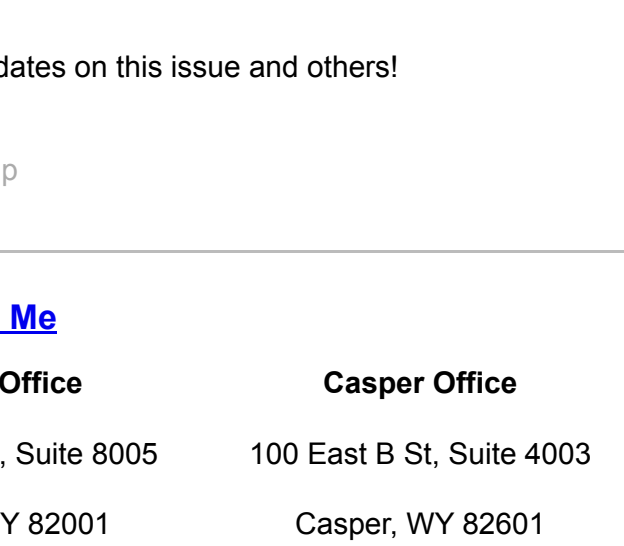


Rep. Hageman demands answers and action from Fish and Wildlife Service to delist Wyoming's grizzlies

In the News



The Federal Reserve has been the driving force behind the devaluation of American currency, astronomical inflation, and the nation's spiraling debt crisis. I'm proud to cosponsor Rep. Massie's bill abolishing the Fed.



The Second Amendment is clear: the right to keep and bear arms (and consequently to buy them), **shall not** be infringed." We must push back against the ATF's constant unconstitutional attacks on our gun rights.

I Want to Hear From You!

I cannot do my job without your support and input. Thank you for the calls, letters, emails, and questions you have sent to our offices. Please continue to reach out via the contact information below, and stay up to date on all the latest activities and legislation by subscribing and sharing this newsletter and our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), and [YouTube](#) accounts with your friends and family!

Sincerely,

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