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Hello Laura,

Thank you to all who joined my town halls in Sublette, Uinta, Sheridan, Weston, and Niobrara Counties this past week! We had wonderful crowds for all events and even better discussions. I am so appreciative of everyone who took time from their busy schedules to learn more about what I am doing as your representative in Congress, the constituent services we provide, how to engage with my office, and much more. I am proud to represent our great state.

We are now into the August recess for the 2nd session of the 118th Congress, meaning that we have just four months left in this Congress. While much national attention is focused on the November election, I wanted to take this pause in activity in D.C. to recap some of the causes I have taken up as your lone member of the U.S. House of Representatives and identify those areas in which we have seen some positive wins.

District Recap

One of my biggest priorities as your Congresswoman is in assisting you with issues you may be having with federal agencies. Since being elected to Congress, thousands of Wyomingites have reached out to my district staff for assistance dealing with the federal government. Whether they weren't receiving VA benefits, needed help obtaining a U.S. passport, were awaiting a tax refund from the IRS, or one of dozens of other issues, my staff members were ready and willing to help. For help with your concerns, please reach out to my staff either [online](#) or by calling 307-261-6596.

I am happy to inform you that in the nearly two years I have spent serving as your representative, my office has solved over 2,000 cases for people throughout the Cowboy State.

Through those 2,000 cases we have returned over \$3.25 million to constituents – money that was being wrongfully withheld by a variety of federal agencies. The agencies for which we have solved the most cases include the VA; IRS; Social Security Administration; Department of State; United States Citizenship and Immigration Services; Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; Center for Medicaid Services; United States Postal Service; and the United States Forest Service.

My district team has held dozens of “Congress in Your Community” events, where each week that I am in DC, my staff members hold mobile office hours around the state to hear your concerns and assist with casework requests.

Since taking office in January of 2023, I have hosted a total of 44 town halls and counting. These events are a great way to inform you of the work I am doing as your Congresswoman, answer any questions you may have, listen to your valuable input, and visit with constituents. I have just two remaining town halls for this year, and I hope you will join me if you are in the Albany or Goshen County areas.

Through the appropriations process, I have secured \$14.96 million in Community Funded Project requests for hard infrastructure returned to the state:

- \$3 million for the Jackson Hole Airport
- \$4 million for I-25 reconstruction
- \$2.76 million for Sheridan County Road reconstruction
- \$3.4 million for Bitter Creek Flood Control Restoration Project
- \$1.8 million for Casper North Platte Sanitary Sewer Project

I will continue to work with our state and local leaders to identify projects that warrant submitting requests for funding through this process.

Washington, D.C. Recap

The most surefire way to influence national policy is through lawmaking. I am proud to announce that four of my bills have passed the House, and [my Victims' VOICES Act was recently signed into law](#).

Legislating is not just introducing bills, but engaging with the process when the House considers large bills making national policy as well. I am fortunate to have passed 35 amendments delivering Wyoming priorities through appropriations, defense authorization, FAA reauthorization, and other bills.

While we need fundamental reform, we must also actively work to stop bad agency policy. Notably, I fought the Securities and Exchange Commission's attempt to list Natural Asset Companies on the New York Stock Exchange, an effort to sell off America's land, water, air, and more to foreign adversaries and radical environmentalists. Thousands of Wyomingites and patriots joined me in this fight, and [today NACs are unable to be listed on the stock exchange](#). This is just one of the many policy wins that we have had in the last 18 months.

Congressional oversight is another avenue in which we have achieved big wins. This has been particularly helpful in the fight against censorship of Americans' speech with the Judiciary Committee, on which I serve, having played a preeminent role:

- We exposed censorship of Americans on social media, which led to the *Murthy v. Missouri* Supreme Court case. While we need to resolve the standing issue the justices raised (and as a result of which I introduced the [Standing to Challenge Government Censorship Act](#) to address), it will allow us to then litigate that the government is and was involved in an effort to censor the speech of its citizens.
- Hiding in the shadows was a global organization known as the Global Alliance for Responsible Media (GARM), an organization that controlled over \$1 trillion in ad dollars and strong-armed businesses into avoiding and boycotting conservative media and sources. Chairman Jordan and I spearheaded an investigation into GARM, and our final report led to Elon Musk and Rumble suing GARM for its boycott of their respective businesses, [which led to GARM disbanding](#).

When the U.S. Postal Service announced that Wyoming would lose the bulk of its processing and distribution operations following the completion of the Mail Processing Facility Reviews, I worked with Senators Barrasso and Lummis to oppose these downgrades through oversight and filing of legislation. The USPS has halted its reviews, and we have saved Wyoming's access to timely mail services.

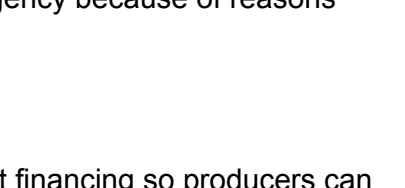
Inspectors general (IGs) provide oversight and transparency into government wrongdoing. Yet, the Biden-Harris administration is weaponizing against IGs who are simply doing their jobs and reporting on this administration's failures. Secretary Mayorkas (DHS) and others have been attempting to fire the Department of Homeland Security IG for reporting on the administration's border failures and security failures by the Secret Service on January 6th which, if resolved, [could have prevented the attempted assassination of Donald Trump](#). Working with members like [Reps. Andy Biggs and Thomas Massie](#), I have exposed this weaponization against the IG system and kept government watchdogs secure in their positions so we have their reports to better inform Congress and the public.

I have been listening to your input and fighting on the issues that matter statewide by:

- Working to defund the Rock Springs and Buffalo RMPs
- Delisting the Greater Yellowstone Ecosystem Grizzly Bear
- Sponsoring MCOOL - Country of Origin Labeling Requirements that would benefit domestic cattle producers and protect them from competing with dishonest competitors who falsely label their product as "Made in the USA," thereby ensuring that only cattle born and raised in the United States can be labeled as US-produced
- Introducing legislation to extend 99-year lease agreements for our tribal communities to ensure greater economic development opportunities
- Supporting American energy independence, including Wyoming coal, oil, and natural gas

These are some of the highlights from my time as your representative, and I am hoping to report back soon with more good news as I work to stop the federal government from mandating EID eartags for livestock, banning coal production in Wyoming, and much more. It is my highest honor to serve as your representative, and while we have much more work to do, Wyoming can hang its hat on leading the way in the fight to restore our Republic.

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



Events and Announcements

USDA is Offering Resources for Those Impacted by Wyoming's Wildfires

Agricultural operations in Wyoming have been significantly impacted by recent wildfires. The U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) has technical and financial assistance available to help farmers and livestock producers recover from these adverse weather events. Impacted producers should contact their local USDA Service Center to report losses and learn more about program options available to assist in their recovery from crop, land, infrastructure, and livestock losses and damages.

USDA Disaster Assistance

Producers who experience livestock deaths in excess of normal mortality or sell injured livestock at a reduced price may be eligible for the [Livestock Indemnity Program](#) (LIP). To participate in LIP, producers will have to provide acceptable documentation of death losses or evidence of reduced sales resulting from an eligible adverse weather event and must submit a notice of loss to the USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) no later than the annual program payment application date, which is 60 calendar days following the calendar year in which the loss occurred. The LIP payment application and notice of loss deadline is March 3, 2025, for 2024 calendar year losses. Livestock producers who experience losses related to wildfire should check with their local FSA office for LIP eligibility criteria.

Meanwhile, the [Emergency Assistance for Livestock, Honeybees, and Farm-Raised Fish Program](#) (ELAP) provides eligible producers with compensation for feed and grazing losses. For ELAP, producers are required to complete a notice of loss and a payment application to their local FSA office no later than the annual program application deadline, Jan. 30, 2025, for 2024 calendar year losses.

Additionally, eligible orchardists and nursery tree growers may be eligible for cost-share assistance through the [Tree Assistance Program](#) (TAP) to replant or rehabilitate eligible trees, bushes or vines. TAP complements the [Noninsured Crop Disaster Assistance Program](#) (NAP) or crop insurance coverage, which covers the crop but not the plants or trees in all cases. For TAP, a program application must be filed within 90 days of the disaster event or the date when the loss of the trees, bushes or vines is apparent.

FSA also offers a variety of direct and guaranteed [farm loans](#), including operating and emergency farm loans, to producers unable to secure commercial financing. Producers in counties with a primary or contiguous disaster designation may be eligible for low interest [emergency loans](#) to help them recover from production and physical losses. Loans can help producers replace essential property, purchase inputs like livestock, equipment, feed and seed, cover family living expenses or refinance farm-related debts and other needs.

Additionally, FSA offers several loan servicing options available for borrowers who are unable to make scheduled payments on their farm loan programs debt to the agency because of reasons beyond their control.

The [Farm Storage Facility Loan Program](#) (FSFL) provides low-interest financing so producers can build, repair, replace or upgrade facilities to store commodities. Loan terms vary from three to 12 years. Producers who incurred damage to or loss of their equipment or infrastructure funded by the FSFL program should contact their insurance agent and their local USDA Service Center. Producers in need of on-farm storage should also contact USDA.

Risk Management

Producers who have risk protection through [Federal Crop Insurance](#) or FSA's [NAP](#) should report crop damage to their crop insurance agent or FSA office. If they have crop insurance, producers should provide a notice of loss to their agent within 72 hours of initial discovery of damage and follow up in writing within 15 days.

For NAP covered crops, a Notice of Loss (CCC-576) must be filed within 15 days of the loss becoming apparent, except for hand-harvested crops, which should be reported within 72 hours.

Conservation

Outside of the [primary nesting season](#), emergency and non-emergency haying and grazing of [Conservation Reserve Program](#) (CRP) acres may be authorized to provide relief to livestock producers in areas affected by a severe drought or similar natural disasters. Producers interested in haying or grazing of CRP acres should contact their county FSA office to determine eligibility.

FSA's [Emergency Conservation Program](#) (ECP) can assist landowners with financial and technical assistance to remove debris from farmland such as woody material, sand, rock and materials from collapsed hoop houses/high tunnels on cropland or pastureland. Through the program, FSA can provide assistance toward the restoration or replacement of fences including livestock cross fences, boundary fences, cattle gates or wildlife exclusion fences on agricultural land.

Additionally, the [Emergency Forest Restoration Program](#) (EFRP) can assist eligible owners of nonindustrial private forestland to also restore the land by removing debris, repairing forestland roads, and replacing fence. For both programs, farmers and ranchers should check with their [local FSA office](#) to find out about sign-up periods, which are set by the FSA County Committee.

More Information

Additional USDA disaster assistance information can be found on [farmers.gov](#), including USDA resources specifically for producers impacted by tornadoes and flooding. Those resources include the [Disaster Assistance Discovery Tool](#), [Disaster-at-a-Glance fact sheet](#), [Loan Assistance Tool](#), and [Natural Disasters and Crop Insurance fact sheet](#). Additionally, FarmRaise offers an [FSA educational hub](#) with LIP and ELAP decision tools as well as farm loan resource videos. For FSA and NRCS programs, producers should contact their local [USDA Service Center](#). For assistance with a crop insurance claim, producers and landowners should contact their [crop insurance agent](#).

Unsure how to Comply with CTA Requirements? Watch the Below Video



The Financial Crimes Enforcement Network recently announced its launch of a [series of informational videos](#) intended to educate small business owners on beneficial ownership reporting requirements imposed upon them by the Corporate Transparency Act (CTA). The deadline for most companies to file is Jan. 1, 2025.

As your Congresswoman, one of my biggest priorities is to do all I can to support and promote small businesses. To this end, I have fought to repeal the overly burdensome CTA through my sponsorship of [H.R.8147](#), the Repealing Big Brother Overreach Act. Until Congress overturns the CTA, I want to provide you with the resources you need to comply with the mandate.

Attend My Upcoming Town Halls!

Albany County Town Hall:

Monday, August 19, 2024 – 12:30 PM to 1:30 PM

Albany County Public Library

310 S. 8th St Laramie, WY 82070

Goshen County Town Hall:

Monday, August 19, 2024 – 06:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Torrington High School

2400 W C St Torrington, WY 82240

Recent Photos

Thank you to all who attended my town halls in Evanston, Sheridan, Newcastle, and Lusk!

It was my honor to join, along with Senator Barrasso, the Casper Area Chamber of Commerce for its State of the Nation luncheon.

Recent Votes

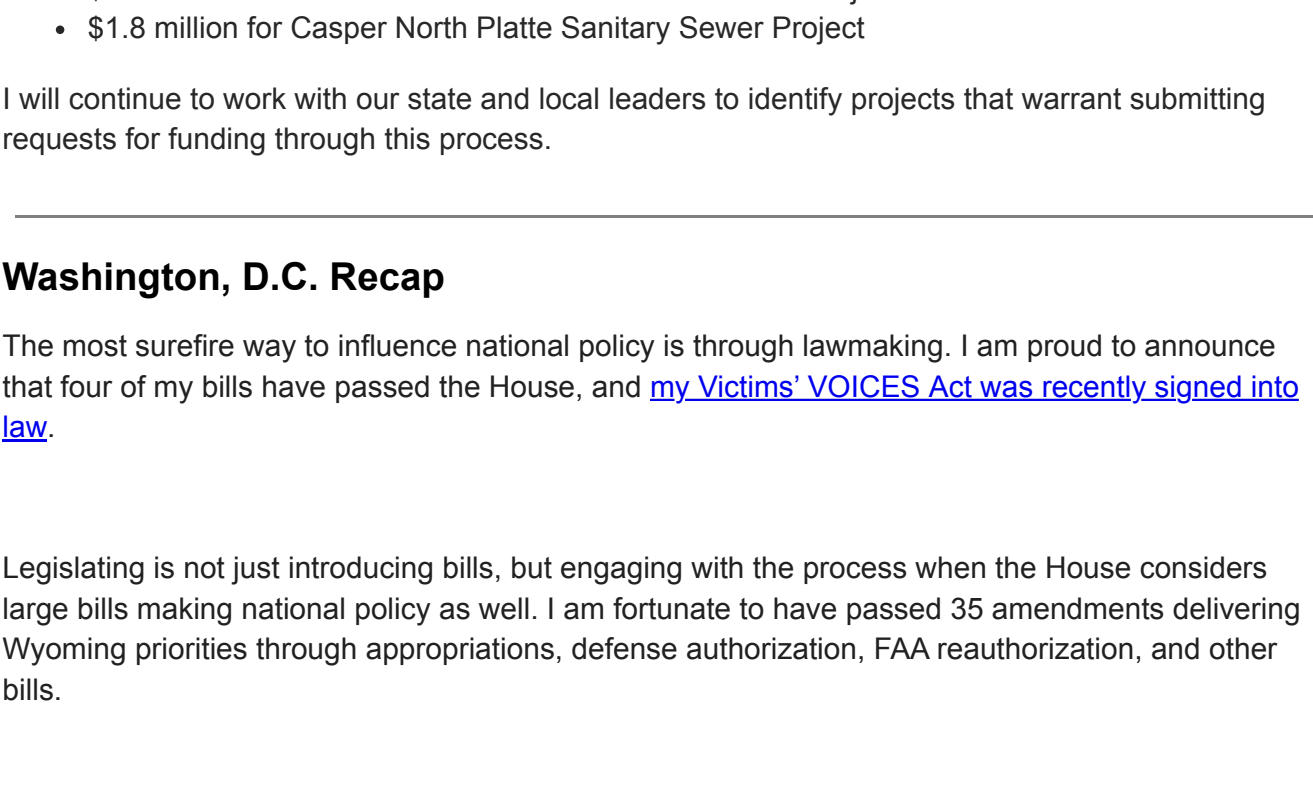
The House was out of session this week. For my full voting record, [click here](#).

Cosponsored Legislation

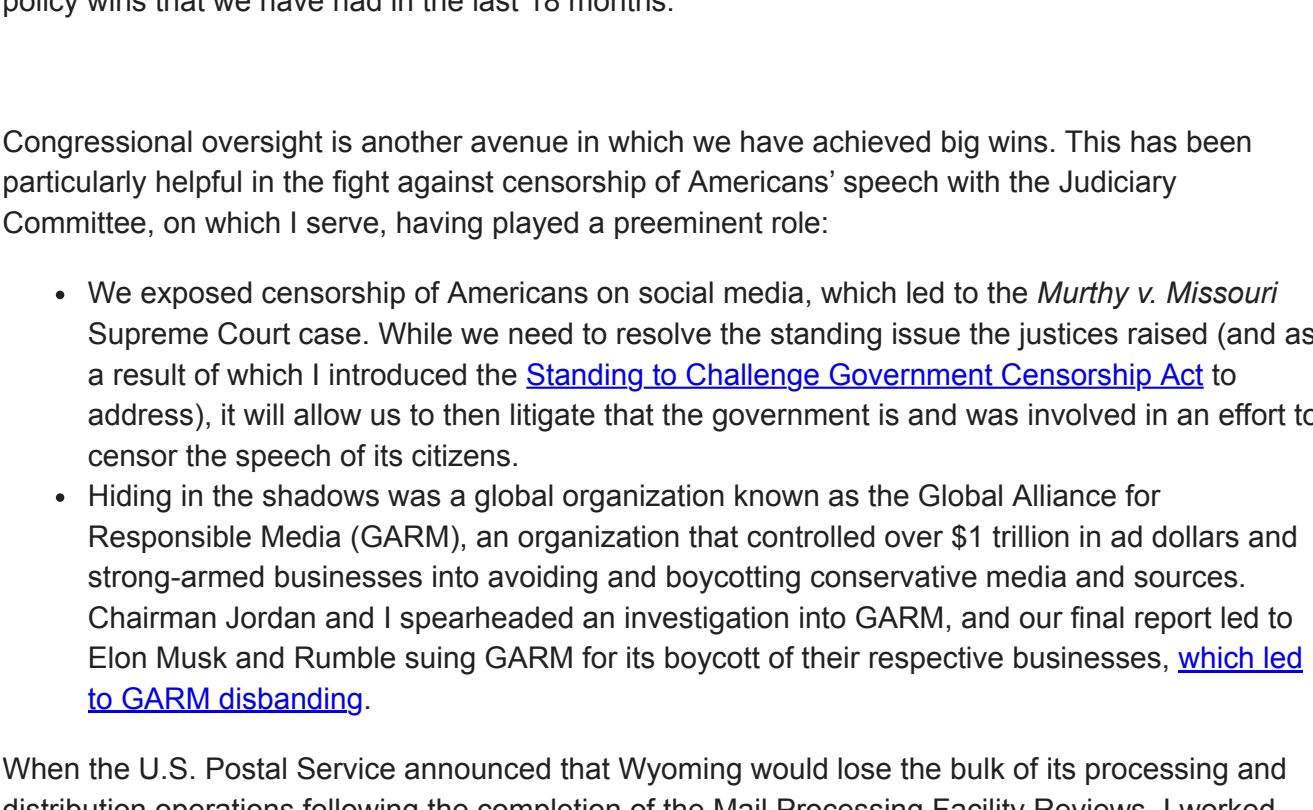
Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

1. [H.R.9340](#), the *Supporting National Security with Spectrum Act*, which would fully fund the “Rip and Replace” program to remove Chinese equipment from our telecommunications networks.

Tweet of the Week

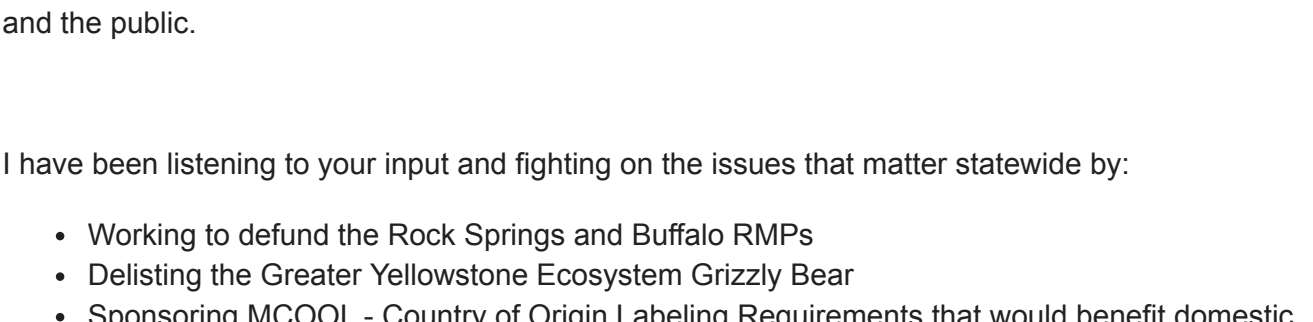


Video of the Week



Forbes Breaking News featured my questioning during a House Oversight and Accountability Subcommittee hearing in which we discussed serious due process and constitutional concerns with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency's (CIGIE) investigations process.

In the News



Parents should have the right to have a say in whether their minor children undergo abortion procedures or sexual surgeries. That's why I co-signed a [letter](#) opposing a new TRICARE policy which limits service member parents and their spouses from access to their children's digital health records. We must fight back against the Biden-Harris administration's attempts to impose radical gender ideology on us all.

Last month, I [questioned](#) FBI Director Christopher Wray during a House Judiciary Committee hearing regarding his agency's attempts to influence the 2020 election through social media censorship. Director Wray stated that the U.S. Supreme Court found in *Murthy v. Missouri* that there was no evidence that the FBI coerced platforms to take content down; this is incorrect--the Court found that the plaintiffs did not have standing to bring the case at this time, a situation that will be cured.

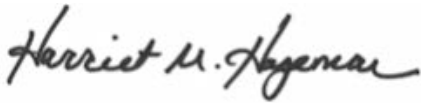
I recently introduced the [Standing to Challenge](#)

[Government Censorship Act](#), which would provide a private right of action against federal employees and agencies which collude with social media to censor constitutionally protected speech and ensure the issue at hand in *Murthy* is corrected in the future.

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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