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Hello Laura,

Last week, I visited Alaska with my House Natural Resources Committee colleagues to witness our nation's natural riches and engage directly with local leaders. We toured the Greens Creek Mine outside of Juneau, which is one of America's most productive silver, lead, and zinc operations located in the Tongass National Forest near Hawk Inlet on Admiralty Island National Monument, with an exemplary environmental record. We held a roundtable with the Alaska Mining Association to discuss over-regulation and the need to modernize outdated federal laws, joined Governor Dunleavy for a press conference, and attended the Alaska Oil and Gas Conference, where I participated in a panel alongside other Congressional members.

While we were there, we also witnessed the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Federal Permitting Council. Establishing a similar framework to streamline projects could serve Wyoming well. Additionally, we met with North Slope leaders to discuss jobs and infrastructure, engaged in a roundtable discussion with Alaska Native Corporations' leadership, and visited the Alaska Native Heritage Center.

Through the informational tours and having important discussions, we are anchoring our policy work in on-the-ground reality. These firsthand experiences inform smarter legislation, especially when states like Wyoming share similar needs for responsibly managing critical resources and strengthening local economies.

I am heading back to D.C. this week to continue fighting for the great people of Wyoming. In my town halls and numerous meetings around the state throughout the August district work period, I was able to hear what matters most to you. Your feedback and input help me best represent each of you through my work in Congress.

Air Traffic Control Improvements in the OBBBA

The OBBBA will invest approximately \$12.5 billion in the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) through fiscal year 2029, launching a sweeping effort to modernize our air traffic control system and secure safe skies for all Americans.

This historic allocation addresses aging infrastructure with upgrades to radar, telecommunications, and safety systems, while laying the foundation for a new, streamlined generation of control centers. Controllers nationwide will benefit from advanced technology and training, and small and rural airports will gain access to remote tower systems

Together, these measures represent a comprehensive overhaul to ensure the U.S. leads in aviation safety and innovation.

Supporting First Choice Women's Resource Centers in the Supreme Court

I proudly joined a coalition submitting an [amicus brief](#) in support of First Choice Women's Resource Centers v. Platin, urging the Supreme Court to reaffirm that First Choice and any nonprofit should have access to a federal forum when constitutionally challenged by state authorities.

First Choice, a faith-based, pro-life pregnancy center that offers free ultrasounds, counseling, and practical support to mothers and families, was targeted by New Jersey's Attorney General with an expansive subpoena demanding donor names and decades of internal records. This request was made without any credible wrongdoing alleged. Lower courts required the organization to litigate these constitutional claims in state court first, a process that could effectively block federal review. Our brief underscores that under [42 U.S.C. § 1983](#), Congress granted a federal remedy for precisely these situations to protect free speech, association, and religious liberties from unwarranted state intrusions.

Eliminating Waste, Fraud, and Abuse

I am excited to report on a major step forward in government efficiency and public safety with the recent upgrade of the National Weather Service's weather radio system. For decades, the system relied on outdated copper lines from the 1960s, costing taxpayers nearly \$17 million annually and leaving rural communities vulnerable to outages.

Under reforms launched during the Trump administration, the Department of Government Efficiency (DOGE) upgraded more than 370 transmitter sites, including in Newcastle, Wyoming, to modern wireless technology and removed wasteful legacy copper line costs. These improvements are already saving approximately \$390,000 per month nationwide, with annual savings projected to reach \$17 million per year once upgrades are complete. More importantly, this modernization ensures that Wyoming families have reliable access to critical weather alerts during the blizzards and thunderstorms that so often hit our state. This is a win for taxpayers, transparency in government, and the safety of our communities.

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Events and Announcements

Upcoming Congress in Your Communities

My staff members 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 Teton County:

Tuesday, September 2 from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

Jackson, WY

Congress in Sweetwater County:

Thursday, September 4 from 4:00 PM – 7:00 PM

Rock Springs, WY

Congress in Lincoln County:

Wednesday, September 3 from 8:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Afton & Kemmerer, WY

Congress in Carbon County:

Friday, September 5 from 8:00 AM – 11:00 AM

Rawlins, WY

Congress in Uinta County:

Wednesday, September 4 from 8:00 AM – 3:00 PM

Evanston & Lyman, WY

Congress in Albany County:

Friday, September 5 from 1:00 PM – 4:00 PM

Laramie, WY

Federal Register Comment Period

USGS 2025 Draft List of Critical Minerals

In 2017, President Trump directed the U.S. to analyze and address critical mineral supply chain vulnerabilities, and Federal law further requires the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to update the critical mineral list every three years.

This week, the USGS released the [2025 Draft List of Critical Minerals](#), which includes the draft list of minerals and the methodology used to identify these minerals. [Comments](#) are due on September 25, 2025. The draft list proposes the inclusion of six new minerals. I am incredibly pleased that potash is proposed for inclusion in the updated list. Potash is primarily used as an agricultural fertilizer and a mineral I have urged the Department of the Interior to include, and [even supported legislation](#) to add potash to the critical mineral list.

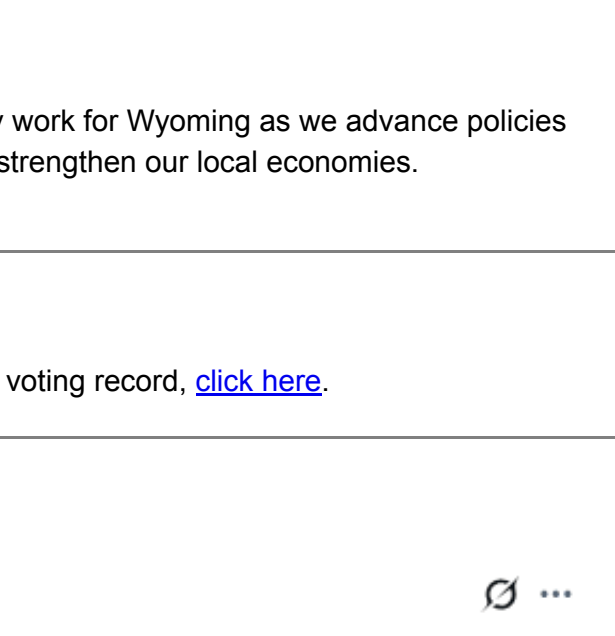
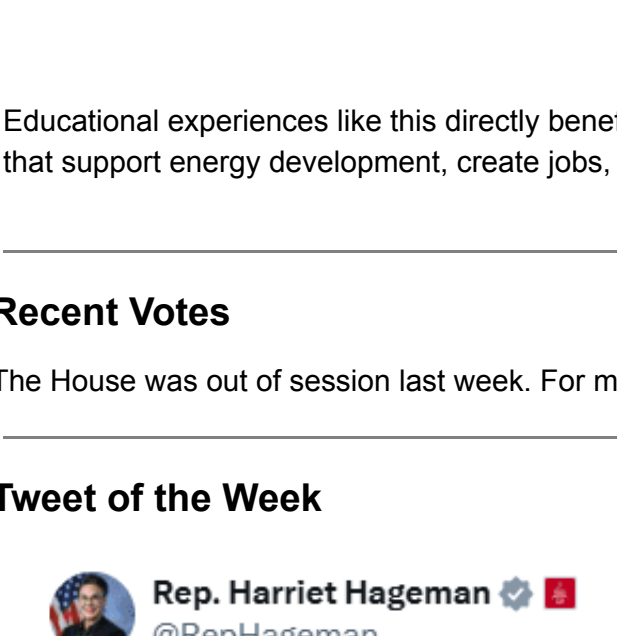
Department of the Interior Reopens Regulatory Reform Comment Period

In May, the Department of the Interior (DOI) issued a request for information on DOI Regulatory Reform. While the original comment deadline ended this summer, the [DOI announced on Tuesday that it was reopening](#) this comment period indefinitely.

Department of Agriculture Initiates EIS Concerning Management of Inventoried Roadless Areas

Recently, [the USDA took the next step](#) in the rulemaking process for rescinding the 2001 Roadless Rule by opening a public comment period. Comments must be received in writing by September 19, 2025. The proposed rule, accompanied by a draft EIS, is expected by March 2026, along with a request for additional public comment. The final rule, EIS, and record of decision are expected to be released in late 2026.

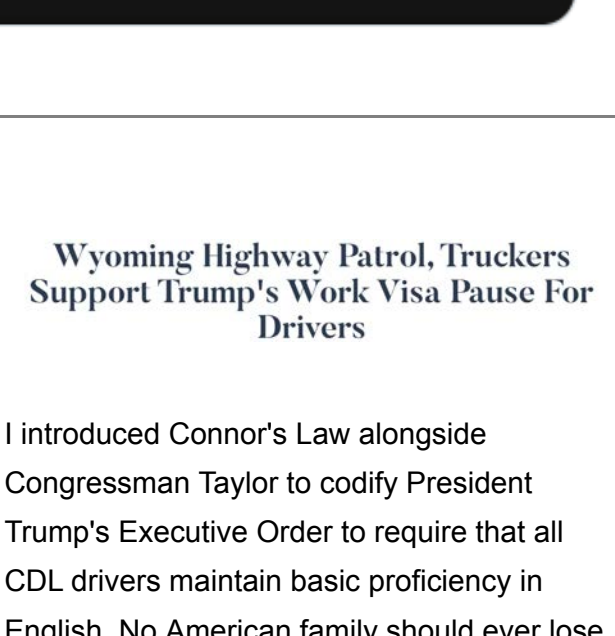
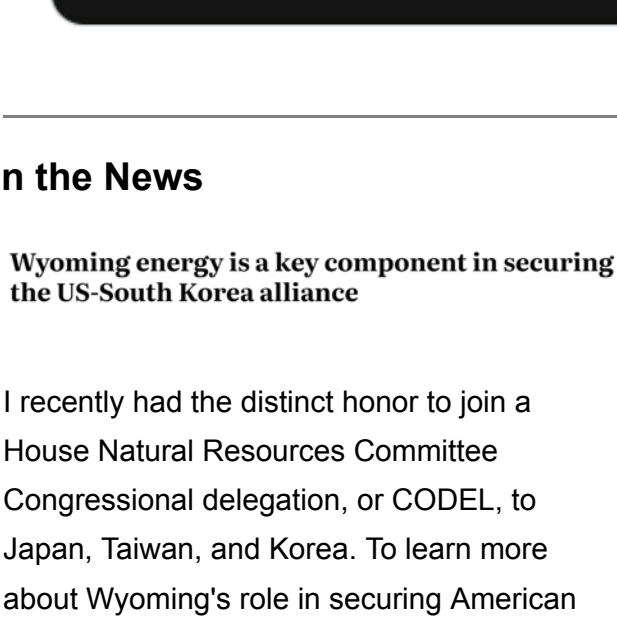
Recent Photos



I had a great time meeting with the Douglas Boys and Girls Club, where students learn the importance of academic success, building good character, and maintaining a healthy lifestyle.



I want to thank Mark Court for sending his remarkable photographs that truly capture the beauty of our great state. I am thankful that he allows me to share his talented work with all of you as a reminder of how lucky we are to call Wyoming home.



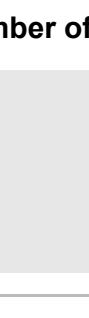
During my trip to Alaska, I gained valuable insights into how other states are responsibly managing their resources.

Educational experiences like this directly benefit my work for Wyoming as we advance policies that support energy development, create jobs, and strengthen our local economies.

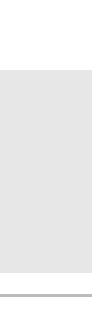
Recent Votes

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

Tweet of the Week



Rep. Harriet Hageman
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Four years ago today, 13 brave American heroes lost their lives in the terrorist attack at Abbey Gate during the disastrous Afghanistan withdrawal.

Among the 13, was Wyoming's own Rylee McCollum from Jackson. Rylee's courage, along with the sacrifice of each of the fallen service members will forever be remembered and honored.

In the News

Wyoming energy is a key component in securing the US-South Korea alliance

Wyoming Highway Patrol, Truckers Support Trump's Work Visa Pause For Drivers

I recently had the distinct honor to join a House Natural Resources Committee Congressional delegation, or CODEL, to Japan, Taiwan, and Korea. To learn more about Wyoming's role in securing American energy dominance at home and abroad, read my op-ed linked above.

I introduced Connor's Law alongside Congressman Taylor to codify President Trump's Executive Order to require that all CDL drivers maintain basic proficiency in English. No American family should ever lose a loved one because a truck driver could not read a road sign, understand safety instructions, or was not qualified to operate the vehicle.

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