



Hello Zoie,

Following two packed weeks of session in Washington, D.C., I attended a House Natural Resources Committee field hearing in Arkansas. Here is a recap of what Congress has been working on:

Reauthorizing the Great American Outdoors Act



The Great American Outdoors Act, passed in 2020, has delivered real results for local communities by providing much needed funds to address maintenance backlogs in our national parks and on

other public lands. But there is more work to do, which is why the Natural Resources Committee held a field hearing on the Great American Outdoors Act 250, a bill I cosponsor to reauthorize and strengthen this landmark law to expand public access, repair or replace crumbling infrastructure, and create new outdoor recreation opportunities.

Actor and director Kevin Costner provided a brief history of how Yellowstone National Park became the first ever designated in the world. He also provided his personal observations about the importance of providing access to and maintaining infrastructure on our federal lands. His testimony emphasized many of the reasons underlying my efforts to repeal the Clinton Roadless Rule, primarily being that the hunting, angling, and recreating public cannot enjoy our natural resources if they cannot access them. He understands the importance of roads, campgrounds, and fire management when it comes to these issues. Our federal employees from the Department of the Interior and Forest Service also did an excellent job of describing how the Great American Outdoors Act has been a game-changer when it comes to providing the resources needed to protect these gems for future generations.

Protecting Free Speech in the Age of AI

The Biden regime colluded with social media companies to silence Americans' constitutionally protected speech, and current law left the American people with almost no recourse. Because AI is already plagued with DEI narrative distortion and the Biden administration funded AI speech monitoring and suppression tools, we cannot let the same playbook repeat through an even more powerful tool.

That is why I introduced the Preventing AI Censorship Act. This bill gives every American citizen the right to sue federal employees who pressure AI companies to filter viewpoints, distort content, or surveil users based on their beliefs. The First Amendment does not have an AI exemption, and federal bureaucrats who act like it does will face real legal consequences.

The House Judiciary Committee's Weaponization Subcommittee confirmed the Biden administration was funding AI censorship tools and coercing developers to suppress content. This bill answers President Trump's AI framework calling on Congress to act. If a federal employee tries to manipulate what AI tells you, hides information based on your political views, or spies on your prompts to penalize lawful speech, you will have the ability to fight back in federal court.

Reining in Bureaucracy

On the 80th anniversary of the Administrative Procedure Act, I introduced two bills to ensure federal agencies answer to an independent judge rather than themselves.

For too long, courts deferred to unelected bureaucrats when agencies fined a farmer, revoked a permit, or enforced a sweeping regulation. These bills change that. My legislation requires courts to independently weigh the facts rather than rubber-stamp the agency's own record. The second bill gives courts authority to throw out agency actions built on flawed methods, cherry-picked data, or junk science.

The Supreme Court's Loper Bright decision restored judges' authority to interpret the law independently. These bills take the next step. If an agency wants to regulate your land, your business, or your livelihood, it needs to prove its case before an independent court. Unelected bureaucrats should not be allowed to be judge and jury over their own decisions.

Standing Up for Rural Sports Fans



Wyoming has no major professional sports team, so our fans pick their favorites and follow them passionately, but the current sports broadcasting system is failing them.

A Buffalo Bills fan in Wyoming who wants to watch every Josh Allen game must buy the entire NFL Sunday Ticket package, and even that does not guarantee access to every game since some are locked behind Netflix or Amazon subscriptions. Fans are forced to pay for everything just to follow one team.

For rural Wyoming bars and restaurants, it's worse. Many constituents cannot access the high-speed internet streaming required when satellite worked reliably for decades. As leagues push more content to streaming-only platforms, rural businesses face an impossible choice: invest in infrastructure most small markets cannot afford, or stop showing games customers love.

The 1961 Sports Broadcasting Act was written before cable or streaming existed. Congress needs a built-in mechanism to revisit these rules as the market changes, rather than waiting another 60 years to catch up.

The Secure America Act is Now Law

For months, Democrats shut down the government and held ICE and Border Patrol funding hostage, demanding reforms that would cripple the law enforcement agencies keeping Americans safe. Republicans refused to cave, and this week President Trump signed the Secure America Act into law.

This law delivers \$69.5 billion to fund CBP and ICE operations through 2029. It funds new Border Patrol agents, expands ICE enforcement, invests in border surveillance technology, and dedicates

\$108.5 million to investigators rescuing child trafficking victims. These latter funds are especially important in light of the fact that the Trump administration has now located the whereabouts of 146,000 unaccompanied migrant children, the vast majority of whom were trafficked through the southern border during Biden's wide-open border fiasco. With funding locked in through the remainder of President Trump's term, Democrats can no longer use the appropriations process as a weapon against border security again.

Voting No on FISA

Last week, I voted against the latest extension of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act (FISA). Congress has been passing clean extensions of FISA without the reforms that I believe are necessary to protect our constitutional rights. I joined more than a dozen Republican colleagues to vote no, and demand change.

Stopping Waste, Fraud, and Abuse

Under Biden, federal agencies handed out taxpayer dollars to grifters and crooks across the country with oversight that ranged from the weak to the non-existent, and almost no accountability. House Republicans are changing that.

Last week we passed a series of bills to combat rampant fraud in our country. The Stopping Fraudulent Payments Act gives federal agencies new authority to pause payments when fraud is suspected before taxpayer dollars go out the door. Over two decades, improper payments across the federal government have totaled roughly three trillion dollars. The TRUE Accountability Act requires agencies to develop fraud prevention plans before a crisis hits rather than scrambling to recover money after the fact. The No Aid for Ghost Students Act requires identity fraud detection on every FAFSA application, and the Stop Child Care Scams Act holds states accountable for misusing child care block grant funds.

Taxpayer dollars should serve the people who paid them, and we are not going to stop until Washington proves every dollar does exactly that.

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Events and Announcements

Upcoming Town Halls

I'm excited to hold my next town hall and hear directly from Wyomingites. Your voice shapes the work I do in Congress every day.

Washakie County Town Hall:

Friday, June 19, 2026

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM

2150 Howell Avenue

Worland, WY

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.**

Congress in Weston County:

Friday, June 26, 2026

10:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Newcastle, WY

Weigh in on Wild Horse and Burro Management

The Bureau of Land Management is accepting public comments on an environmental review of wild horse and burro management tools through July 2, 2026. The review examines humane, science-based options to address overpopulation. The BLM estimates current herd sizes are more than three times what Western public lands can sustainably support.

Comments can be submitted at the [BLM National NEPA Register](#) under the "Participate Now" option. For more information on the program, click [here](#).

June FSA Loan Rates for Wyoming Farmers and Ranchers

USDA Farm Service Agency released its [June 2026 loan interest rates](#). Wyoming producers looking to start, expand, or maintain their operation can visit [farmers.gov](#) or contact their local USDA Service Center to learn more.

Funding Available for Outdoor Recreation Spaces

The National Park Service's Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program offers grants of up to \$15 million for land acquisition and outdoor recreation projects, with \$125 million expected in the upcoming grant round. Cities, tribes, counties, park districts, and other eligible entities in Wyoming can access free technical assistance webinars on June 10 and June 24 to learn how to apply. Register [here](#).

New App for National Forest Recreation

The Forest Service launched a new mobile app, National Forests and Grasslands. The app gives visitors access to trail conditions, offline maps, safety alerts, and recreation site information across the entire National Forest System. Download it for your next trip on the [Apple Store for iOS](#) and [Google Play for Android](#).

Grants Available for Aviation Workforce Development

The Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) is investing \$26 million in aviation workforce development grants for pilot training, aviation maintenance, apprenticeships, and student recruitment programs. Schools, aviation organizations, air carriers, nonprofits, and state, local, and tribal governments are all eligible to apply. Applications are due June 18, 2026.

Review the Notice of Funding Opportunity and apply directly on [Grants.gov](#) using the links below:

- [Apply for Pilot Grants \(Grants.gov\)](#)
- [Apply for Maintenance Worker Grants \(Grants.gov\)](#)

Sign Up to Participate in the Congressional App Challenge!

The 2026 Congressional App Challenge is now accepting applications! Middle and high school students across Wyoming are encouraged to participate in this nationwide competition that helps students learn coding skills and explore opportunities within the STEM and computer science fields.

The Congressional App Challenge is the official computer science competition of the House of Representatives. Since its inception in 2013, it has grown to become the most prestigious prize in computer science. Over 50,000 students have participated in the challenge across 374 Congressional Districts in 50 states and 5 U.S. territories.

Visit my [website](#) for more information and reach out to Lisa.Scaling@mail.house.gov with any questions you have!

Recent Photos



Wyoming Wednesday is always the best day of the week!

Recent Votes

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

Voted NO on [H.R. 9238](#), To amend the FISA Amendments Act of 2008 to extend the authorities of title VII of the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1978, and for other purposes

Voted YES on [H.R. 8464](#), Stopping Fraudulent Payments Act

Voted YES on [H.R. 8312](#), Fraud Prevention and Accountability Act

Voted YES on [H.R. 7892](#) No Aid for Ghost Students Act

Tweet of the Week



Rep. Harriet Hageman  
@RepHageman



The SPLC funneled MILLIONS to the very groups they claimed to fight in order to fundraise. Their \$730 million endowment is built on a lie that continues to divide America as a result.

In the News



For 25 years, the prohibitions on roads across nearly 60 million acres of federal lands has been an environmental catastrophe as predicted. I applaud Senator Barrasso's co-leadership in fighting to repeal the Roadless Rule as a necessary wildfire prevention measure and am glad to see the Senate take

positive steps towards this devastating rule's permanent repeal.

I joined my colleagues in urging Treasury Secretary Scott Bessent on Thursday to ~~revoke the Southern Poverty Law Center's~~

Need Help With a Federal Agency?

~~has a long list of allegations the organization funded efforts to fabricate and expand extremist groups.~~

One of the ways my office serves Wyomingites is by helping constituents navigate federal agencies.

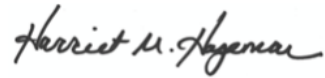
If you are facing issues with a federal agency, whether it is the VA, Social Security, the IRS, or another department, my office may be able to help. We can assist with paperwork, follow up on stalled cases, and make sure your concerns are heard and resolved as quickly as possible.

You can fill out a casework form on my [website](#) or call us directly at (307) 261-6595.

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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Member of Congress

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