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Hello Laura,

While I am pleased that I have been able to spend the past three weeks in Wyoming attending meetings, engaging with constituents, welcoming the 115th deployment home, touring businesses, and catching up with family, I am terribly disappointed that we were not in DC this past week attending to the business of Congress. I have numerous priorities that I would like to move forward with on behalf of Wyoming, and so long as the House is not in session, we are not able to accomplish our goals.

As of today, the Senate Democrats' have continued to hold the federal government hostage to outrageous funding demands, including health care for illegal aliens, refunding NPR and PBS (to the tune of \$500 million), and repealing the \$50 billion that we just appropriated for investing in rural healthcare (including a minimum of \$500 million for the State of Wyoming). They are also demanding that Republicans agree to reauthorize the failed USAID to finance ridiculous and anti-American programs around the world.

I will continue working for you throughout this shutdown. My offices are open, and my staff is available to help you with dealing with federal agencies and issues. Please visit hageman.house.gov/shutdown if you have any questions about what services we can provide.

Protecting Wyoming Coal

The Biden administration waged an aggressive war against Wyoming coal during the full four years that he was in office. A cornerstone of that agenda was to block future coal mining in the entire Powder River Basin as implemented through the Buffalo Resource Management Plan amendment (RMPA) in Wyoming and the Miles City RMPA in Montana. I have been fighting against these RMPAs since they were issued, pointing out the many ways in which these agency actions (issued by the BLM) violated numerous federal laws, including FLPMA, the Multiple Use and Sustained Yield Act, and the Mineral Leasing laws, among others. BLM's overreach was essentially a poorly thought-out mineral withdrawal disguised as a management plan and simply cannot stand. Coal is the energy of the future, and our ability to protect our national security while ensuring the availability of abundant, affordable, and reliable energy depends on Wyoming and the long-term viability of mining in the Powder River Basin.

On Wednesday, I, alongside Senators Lummis and Barrasso, introduced [legislation](#) pursuant to the Congressional Review Act (CRA) to officially terminate the Buffalo RMPA (with the Senate having already passed the Miles City CRA). This CRA gives Congress the authority to block agency regulations and has three main benefits: it is expedited in the Senate and bypasses the filibuster, it nullifies bad regulations, and it prohibits agencies from reissuing rules overturned by Congress.

In September, the Government Accountability Office verified that the Buffalo RMPA was subject to the CRA and that the Biden administration failed to report it for Congressional oversight, hoping to slip this radical policy change under the radar. Our legislation does what Biden failed to do: it subjects the RMPA to Congressional review and ensures that your elected representatives—the legislative branch—are involved with making decisions of this magnitude. We simply are not going to allow unaccountable and unelected bureaucrats destroy our ability to access over 40% of the nation's coal.

Similar to the Miles City RMPA, Senators Barrasso, Lummis, and I will work to push our legislation through Congress, thereby protecting our coal industry into the distant future.

Major Tax Relief for Wyoming in the OBBBA

I am proud to report that Wyoming families, workers, and businesses are among the biggest winners under the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA)—also known as the “Working Families Tax Relief Act.” Thanks to this tax relief legislation, the average taxpayer in Wyoming will see a \$5,375 tax cut in 2026, the largest average reduction in the entire country. These savings will make a real difference for families and for job creators looking to invest in our state and expand their businesses.

The law makes permanent the individual tax relief originally passed under the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (TCJA), preventing a tax hike that would have hit more than 60% of taxpayers starting in 2026. It also includes new deductions for tipped and overtime income, expands the Child Tax Credit and standard deduction, and ensures businesses can continue to fully expense equipment and domestic research and development, key tools for encouraging innovation and economic growth in Wyoming's core industries.

Also, the [Tax Foundation estimates](#) that this Act will help create over 1,700 new long-term jobs in Wyoming. This is a strong step forward for our local economies, especially in rural communities that are so often ignored by Washington, DC.

I worked hard to make sure Wyoming's voice was heard in this process and that the final bill reflected the needs of our families, energy workers, small business owners, ag producers, employees, employers, educators, local communities, and others. I will continue fighting to make sure Washington serves the people of Wyoming.

Opposing Colorado's Climate Change Lawsuits

Numerous “blue” states throughout the country have been taken over by what can only be described as radicals in the last couple of decades. A primary policy goal for these far-left politicians is to destroy our fossil fuel industries to somehow prevent “climate change.” One of the tools that they have used to do so is to file lawsuits against energy companies, seeking to force them to pay hundreds of millions of dollars in “damages” for the crime of providing affordable and reliable energy to their own constituents. The ultimate goal is to bankrupt these companies, ignoring the fact that to do so will impoverish tens of millions of American citizens, destroy our economy, and reverse essentially all of the advances that we have made in the last 100 years in terms of our standard of living.

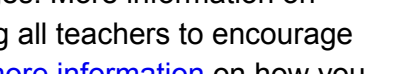
You have most likely seen this playbook before: they have tried it with the tobacco industry (with the attorneys in those cases being the real winners, earning hundreds of millions of dollars in fees) and the firearms industry.

Boulder, Colorado joined the choir of states and municipalities suing energy companies for allegedly causing “climate change” and for allegedly “lying” to the American people over the “danger” of their products (fuel, electricity, plastics, etc.). Not only is this a ridiculous assertion (with every single company having received the required operating and production permits from these very governmental entities), but these municipalities and states are illegally attempting to assert jurisdiction over national and global matters that they simply cannot regulate. Their “green hysteria,” in other words, cannot replace the rule of law nor allow them to claim the legal authority to fine companies for doing what they were legally entitled to do.

Every single person who lives in Boulder—including the politicians that are seeking to weaponize the justice system against perfectly legal businesses—have willingly used and relied upon fossil fuels. Their very economy and existence relies upon such fuels to survive and thrive. I have previously challenged the leaders in Boulder to go entirely fossil-free. They scoffed that such an outcome is possible, recognizing that these energy companies provide the one thing that no modern economy can live without. Such a fact further exposes the absurdity of these lawsuits.

In a move that is not surprising for Colorado, the Supreme Court of that state has allowed one such lawsuit to proceed. It did so even though a South Carolina climate lawsuit was dismissed this summer, and the majority of courts, including in New York and New Jersey, have held that such cases represent public policy debates rather than justiciable disputes. Last week, I joined Majority Leader Steve Scalise in an amicus brief to the United States Supreme Court, urging it to take up the Colorado lawsuit and nullify these illegal actions once and for all, thereby recognizing that these lawsuits do not and cannot state a cause of action under our form of government.

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Events and Announcements

[Sign Up to Participate in the Congressional App Challenge!](#)

The 2025 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.

Winning apps will be announced in December 2025 and featured on the U.S. House of Representatives website and in the U.S. Capitol Building. Applications are due **October 30, 2025, at 10 AM MT**. To learn more about the rules, prizes, and more, you can [visit their website](#).

Adult volunteers are also needed! If you're a STEM teacher, computer science expert, or App Challenge alum, please consider becoming one of my volunteer judges. More information on being a judge can be [found here](#) on the CAC website. I'm also asking all teachers to encourage their students to participate in this year's competition. [Visit here for more information](#) on how you can inspire your students to explore the world of coding.

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

[Federal Register Comment Period](#)

Intent to Request the RMP for the Rock Springs Field Office

The BLM asks that the public submit comments concerning the scope of the analysis, potential alternatives, and identification of relevant information and studies, and ACEC nominations by November 3, 2025. You may submit comments on issues and planning criteria related to the Rock Springs RMP Amendment and nominations of new ACECs [here](#).

Rescission of Conservation and Landscape Health Rule

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is proposing to rescind the Conservation and Landscape Health Rule, issued as a final rule on May 9, 2024. [Comments](#) must be received by November 10, 2025.

Wyoming Coal Combustion Residuals Permit Program

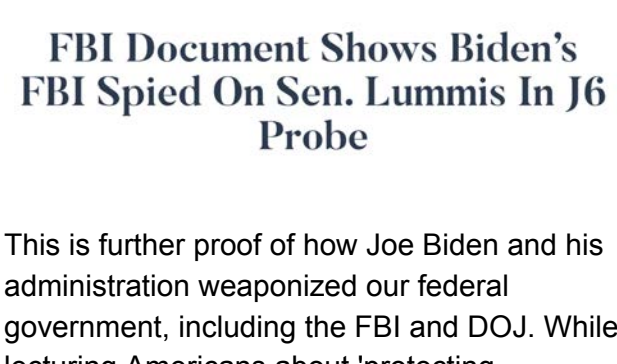
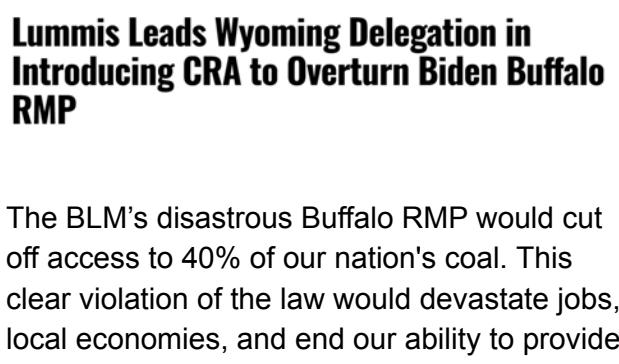
The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is proposing to approve the Wyoming coal combustion residuals (CCR) permit program under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA).

EPA is seeking [comment](#) on this proposal during a 60-day public comment period. Comments must be received on or before November 3, 2025.

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.

Recent Photos



I want to thank Karl Brauneis 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.



Traveling through Wyoming's picturesque landscapes this fall and continuing the tradition of cattle shipments during harvest season.

Recent Votes

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

Cosponsored Legislation

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

- [H.R. 5401](#), *Pay Our Troops Act of 2026*, which provides the financial certainty that military families deserve by allowing the government to use Treasury funds “not otherwise appropriated” to cover pay and allowances for armed services personnel as well as civilians and contractors supporting those in uniform.

Tweet of the Week

Rep. Harriet Hageman
@RepHageman

Blue states are using lawfare to bankrupt American energy producers and rewrite national policy from the courtroom.

I joined [@SteveScalise](#) in urging SCOTUS to take up Boulder's climate lawsuit and nullify these illegal actions once and for all.

Video of the Week

I joined David Iverson on Cowboy State Politics to discuss the Biden administration's illegal surveillance of Republican lawmakers, including Wyoming's own, Cynthia Lummis.

In the News

Lummis Leads Wyoming Delegation in Introducing CRA to Overturn Biden Buffalo RMP

The BLM's disastrous Buffalo RMP would cut off access to 40% of our nation's coal. This clear violation of the law would devastate jobs, local economies, and end our ability to provide affordable, reliable energy.

FBI Document Shows Biden's FBI Spied On Sen. Lummis In J6 Probe

This is further proof of how Joe Biden and his administration weaponized our federal government, including the FBI and DOJ. While lecturing Americans about 'protecting democracy,' they were weaponizing federal agencies to spy on senators, harass citizens, and crush dissent.

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