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Thank you to the thousands of people who joined a tele-townhall I hosted this past Monday! I appreciated the opportunity to provide you with updates on recent events in Congress, many of which I've discussed in detail through this newsletter. Whether it is the ongoing war in Israel, the House Speaker's race, or concerns over the BLM Resource Management Plan, I value your questions and comments on these issues, and welcome your input on the other matters we are addressing in Washington. While I was unable to respond to all of the questions in the queue due to time constraints, I hope that you will continue to reach out to my staff so that we can provide you with answers.

For those who were unable to join, don't worry! Now that I've held an in-person town hall in every Wyoming county this year, I plan to hold more tele-townhalls to provide updates as efficiently and frequently as I can! As always, I encourage you and your friends to subscribe to this newsletter and follow my social media accounts so you don't miss the latest news.

The Search for a Speaker Continues

After failing to receive enough votes a third time this week, Jim Jordan requested that House Republicans vote via secret ballot to determine if he should remain our designee for Speaker of the House. Unfortunately, despite unwavering support from myself and countless others in our conference, Rep. Jordan didn't receive enough votes to remain as our designee. I am extremely disappointed by this result as I believe he was the right person, at the right time, with the right vision to lead House Republicans; and we are now once again back to square one.

At this time, we do not yet know who all the Speaker candidates will be for the next round. The deadline to announce as a candidate is 12:00 pm ET, today, Sunday, Oct. 22. We will then have another candidate forum beginning on Monday evening (most likely lasting through several rounds) and vote on Tuesday to select a new designee. We will then take that person to the floor.

Considering how the process has gone so far, I am hopeful that everyone in the conference realizes how critically important it is that we elect a Speaker so that we may continue to do the work of the American public.

One idea that has been floated is to empower a "temporary" Speaker to move legislation forward on the floor, a concept that I do not agree with and have argued against. Kicking the can down the road has never worked for Congress before. For example, in past years, pushing appropriations to the end of the fiscal year has never incentivized working on appropriations, it has only led to continuing resolutions when the new deadline approaches.

I was elected by Wyomingites who want to see Washington, D.C. change; I will not let them down by playing into the status quo. The position of Speaker should not be temporary or limited in scope – we must have a duly elected Speaker and quickly move forward with our work.

Rebuilding Our Critical Mineral Sector

This past Wednesday I spoke at the Essential Minerals Association's annual conference here in D.C. This association, which includes multiple Wyoming-based companies, is one of the leading voices in representing our nation's mining and mineral interests. The work performed by their members is absolutely critical to not only Wyoming's economy but to our national security and prosperity. During my speech, I focused on the many challenges this industry faces and the efforts by the Biden Administration to undermine energy and mineral exploration and processing, as well as how I'm fighting for our producers. There are many legislative proposals that my colleagues and I are pursuing to reopen our public lands, restart the leasing process for mining activities, and end the serial litigation used by environmental activists to bog down attempts to explore for and produce the bountiful energy resources our land possesses.

I look forward to continuing my work with these industry leaders as we seek to revitalize and strengthen our mining and manufacturing sectors and return America to the forefront of critical mineral production.

Now Accepting Spring 2024 Internship Applications!

Washington, DC	Cheyenne & Casper
Intake and log constituent concerns by mail and phone	Intake and log constituent concerns by mail and phone
Greet and assist visitors and meetings in the office	Greet and assist visitors and meetings in the office
Lead US Capitol Tours	Assist with federal casework for constituents in need
Draft constituent correspondence	Attend meetings and events with district staff
Prepare research and briefing materials for meetings, hearings and markups	Research state issues for staff and prepare reports
Work directly with legislative, communications, and administrative staff on projects	Work directly with district staff on projects

I am now accepting applications for DC and district interns for Spring 2024! If you or someone you know is interested in learning first-hand how Congress works, or is interested in a career in public service, I heartily encourage you to apply.

Applications must include a resume, cover letter discussing why you would like to join my team, and should list your desired office location (DC, Casper, or Cheyenne); you can submit these documents via my website portal or email them to Laura.Lee@mail.house.gov directly.

Opposing the Rock Springs Resource Lockout Plan

This past Monday, I formally voiced my strong opposition to the disastrous and misguided Resource Management Plan for the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) Rock Springs Field Office. Each of the BLM's proposed alternatives (except perhaps the no action alternative) will have numerous negative impacts on our state, industries, businesses, and local communities, with their preferred "Alternative B" being the most destructive. The BLM's preferred alternative would cut off 2.5 million acres from access, development, and use, and block 1.8 million acres from any potential economic development activities. Thousands of miles of roads and routes will be closed to all traffic, fossil fuels and critical minerals will go untapped, and Wyoming's energy, mining, ranching, hunting and fishing, and recreation industries will suffer.

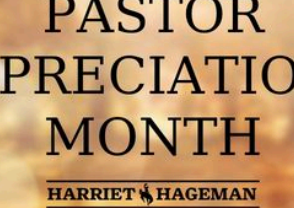
It is clear that this plan is not workable and will cause greater harm than good; that is why I have formally asked BLM Director Stone-Manning to withdraw the RMP and start over. While it is unlikely that she will make this sensible decision, it is important that every effort possible be made to obtain a plan that will actually provide a roadmap for properly managing our resources, not blocking our ability to access and use them to meet the needs of the American people.

Thankfully, the BLM has listened to the multitude of voices in Wyoming and extended the public comment period for the draft RMP until January 17, 2024. I highly encourage you to review the RMP and provide your comments via the link below.

In the event that the BLM eventually decides to adopt and implement Alternative B, we must encourage our state leaders to fight back by filing a legal challenge to this wrongheaded and destructive approach to land and resource management. Alternative B has never received the "hard look" mandated by NEPA, should never have been considered as a viable or legitimate RMP for the Rock Springs District, and is contrary to the BLM's own legal authorization.

[BLM Comment Submission Portal](#)

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Upcoming Events

Calling all Women Veterans: Sheridan VA team is inviting you and your families to join their virtual town hall on **Tuesday, November 28 at 5:00 PM** to learn about available services and upcoming events. To join, please call 855-962-1472 or scan the QR code to join the live stream online or on Facebook! If you have any questions, please reach out to one of my staff.



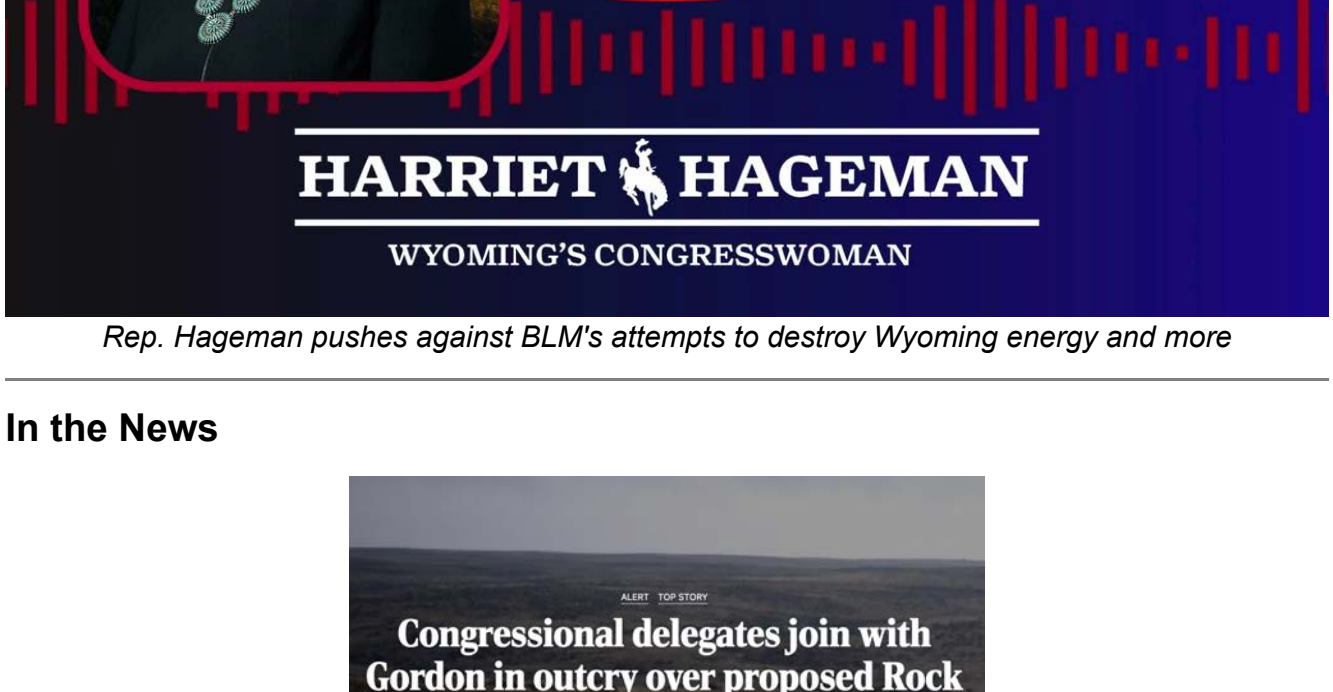
Recent Photos



It's my greatest honor to help my fellow Wyomingites! If you're experiencing problems with federal agencies, contact my office to see if we can provide assistance!



Thank you to all of the pastors throughout our wonderful state! The leadership, guidance, and counseling you provide to your congregants is immensely appreciated.



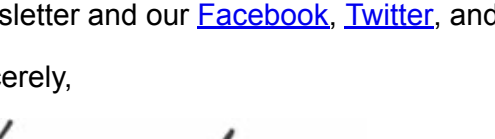
It was great to be able to join Senator Salazar and Representatives Otman and Penn at their town hall in Riverton

Cosponsored Legislation

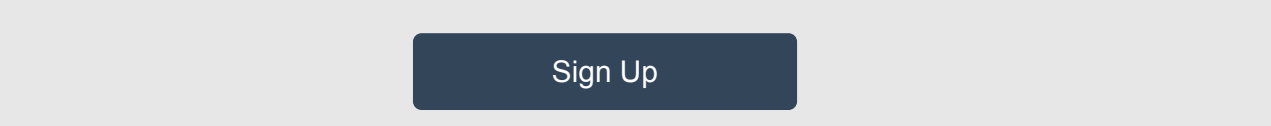
Here are some highlights of [bills I'm cosponsoring](#):

- [H.R. 5504](#), which requires NOAA and the Fish and Wildlife Service to withdraw proposed rules related to the Endangered Species Act.
- [H.R. 5635](#), the *Northern Arizona Protection Act*, nullifying President Biden's executive order that prevents exploration and development of nearly 1 million acres in northern Arizona.

Tweet of the Week



It was great to visit with members of the Essential Minerals Association this morning. I appreciate their hard work in advocating for domestic production, access to public lands, and reducing federal regulatory burdens.



Video of the Week

In the News

Wyoming deserves a plan that actually is designed to manage our land and resources, not one that blocks us from accessing and using them as we are entitled to under federal law.

Israel is our most faithful ally in the Middle East. We will continue to support them in their fight against these radical terrorists.

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 above, and stay up to date on all the latest activities and legislation by subscribing and sharing this newsletter and our [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#) accounts with your friends and family!

Sincerely,

Harriet M. Hageman

Rep. Harriet Hageman
Member of Congress

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