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Hello Laura,

I had a great week on the road in Wyoming, meeting with constituents, community leaders, and attending local events. I am thankful for the opportunity to meet with folks from around the state and the chance to hear directly from the people I represent.

As many of you know, funding of the federal government expires on September 30, 2025, just two days from now. I recently voted for a continuing resolution to keep the government open through November 21, 2025. Unfortunately, the Senate rejected that proposal, largely along party lines. We need this short-term CR to properly complete the fiscal year 2026 work, and I am hopeful that the Senate will take another run at this to pass our bill.

In this week's newsletter, I will be highlighting Farm Bill reauthorizations secured in the One Big Beautiful Bill Act (OBBBA) and summarizing the nature of the funds that we secured for our veterans. I am also pleased to share information on a letter I signed to the Department of the Interior on potash and phosphate.

Farm Bill Programs Reauthorized in the OBBBA

While being home in Wyoming over the last week I have received several questions about the status of the Farm Bill, which was due for reauthorization in September 2023. Although we have not yet passed a Farm Bill this Congress, several programs were included in the OBBBA, including programs in the Commodities, Disaster Assistance Program, and Crop Insurance titles. Thus, while a full Farm Bill reauthorization has been delayed, with existing programs proceeding under the concept of a continuing resolution, there are several aspects of the Farm Bill that were signed into law this summer.

The OBBBA increases support for the Price Loss Coverage and Agriculture Risk Coverage programs to account for persistent inflation and rising costs of production by including a 10 to 20% increase to the statutory reference price for all covered commodities. It also extends these programs through 2031.

In the disaster assistance programs, the bill establishes a payment rate for predation losses at 100% of the market value of the animal for losses caused by a federally protected species and a payment rate for weather and disease losses at 75% of the market value of the animal.

For crop insurance, the bill expands the definition of a Beginning Farmer or Rancher (BFR) to include individuals who actively operated and managed a farm or ranch for up to 10 crop years, expanding eligibility for 5 more years of premium support. The law also increases crop insurance premium support levels for individual-based crop insurance policies across all coverage levels by 3 to 5%.

Fighting to Add Phosphate to the Critical Minerals List

Recently, I signed a [letter](#) with my colleagues urging the Department of the Interior to include phosphate on the 2025 Critical Minerals List. The draft list had already proposed to add potash (a request that we made during the 118th Congress), which is a step in the right direction and critical for our soil health and crop production, but phosphate, which is just as vital for farming, was left out.

Phosphate fertilizer supply is controlled by just a handful of countries, with China responsible for over 40% of global production. The CCP uses this control to restrict exports, causing price spikes and shortages that hit American farmers hard. The current government method for evaluating phosphate risks focuses too much on domestic reserves and overlooks how vulnerable we are to global supply disruptions.

That is why I am standing with my colleagues to push for phosphate to be added immediately to the Critical Minerals List. Protecting access to both potash and phosphate is necessary for food security, national security, and supporting Wyoming's hardworking farmers.

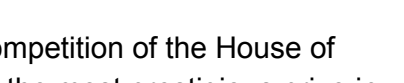
VA awards \$84 million in grants to fight Veteran homelessness

The Department of Veterans Affairs is awarding \$84 million in grants to 176 organizations nationwide to help veterans who are homeless or at risk of homelessness.

Half of this funding will go to legal services that assist veterans with issues like preventing eviction, navigating court cases, securing benefits, and defending against outstanding fines or warrants. The other \$42 million will support case management programs that help veterans find and keep stable housing through housing searches, home visits, and access to educational resources.

The men and women who served our country should never face homelessness. These grants provide vital support to get our veterans back on their feet and moving toward independence. I am committed to standing with Wyoming's veterans and ensuring they have the resources they need and deserve.

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



Events and Announcements

Upcoming Remote Office Hours for Veterans and Military Personnel

This week, we will continue remote office hours specifically for our veterans and military personnel. This is a way to share any thoughts, concerns, or ask for assistance with a federal agency. 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.

Carbon County:
Wednesday, October 1, 2025
Saratoga, WY
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Carbon County:
Thursday, October 2, 2025
Rawlins, WY
11:00 AM - 4:00 PM

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

Recession 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.

Updates to BLM Sage-Grouse Plan

The U.S. Department of Interior, Bureau of Land Management (BLM) announced significant changes to the proposed Resource Management Plan Amendment for Greater Sage-Grouse Rangeland Planning. BLM has opened a [30-day public comment period](#) on the significant changes, which closes on Oct. 2.

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.

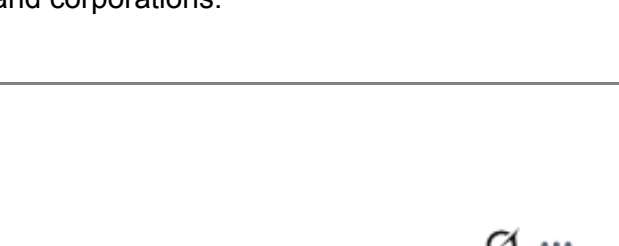
Department of the Interior Reopens Regulatory Reform Comment Period

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 am grateful to these incredible veterans who joined me for an important conversation about the challenges they face and the issues that matter most to our veteran community.



I had the pleasure of speaking with the Campbell County Farm Bureau in Gillette.

I appreciate the work our farm and ranch communities do to keep our agricultural businesses, heritage, and culture alive.



It was great visiting Omega Precision in Gillette. Thank you to Peter and Abby Angelos for showing me your team on custom rifles, precision firearm parts, and more.



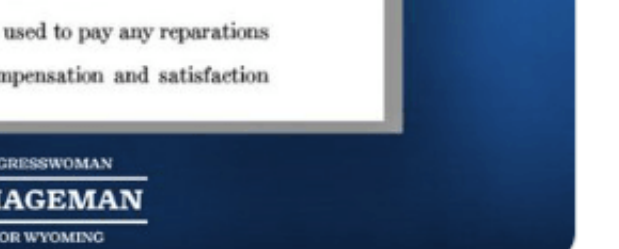
While I was in Gillette, I spoke with members of the Wyoming State Chamber of Commerce about economic wins secured this year through the OBBBA.

It is always helpful to hear directly from Wyomingites and answer questions about the work I am doing on your behalf in Congress.



I am honored that I had the opportunity to welcome home so many of Wyoming's finest as they returned from deployment.

Thank you to these brave men and women for their sacrifices to protect our great nation.



Sublette County's first hospital is officially open!

Thank you to the healthcare professionals, local leaders, and residents for your dedication that made this possible.

Recent Votes

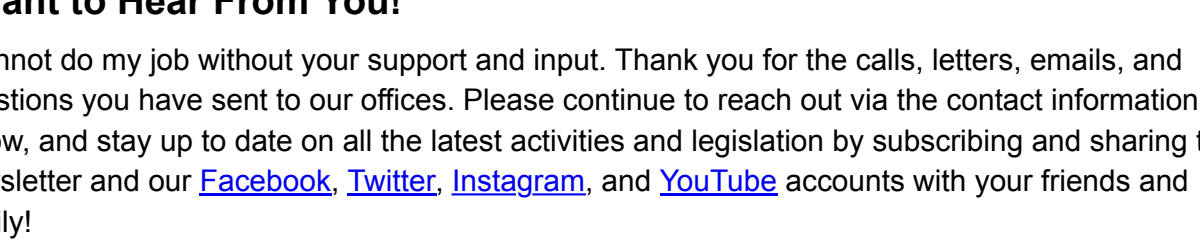
The House was out of session last week. For my full voting record, [click here](#).

Cosponsored Legislation

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

- [H.R. 4706](#), *Protecting Our Farms and Homes from China Act*, which prohibits the acquisition and ownership of agricultural land and residential real property by certain foreign entities, such as China and CCP-affiliated individuals and corporations.

Tweet of the Week



The UN's international court of justice claims climate treaties are binding, and fossil fuel use is a punishable offense. This extreme overreach threatens Congress's constitutional authority.

My bill would protect American taxpayers and U.S. sovereignty from the UN's climate change reparations scheme by blocking any federal funds from being used to pay these illegitimate international demands. We must defend America's independence against climate lunacy that undermine our laws and priorities.



Video of the Week



Last week, I joined John Solomon on Just the News, No Noise, to discuss government censorship, President Trump's address to the United Nations, and my bill to protect American taxpayers and U.S. sovereignty from the UN's climate change reparations scheme.

In the News

New Legislation Aims to Shield US from Climate Change Lawsuit Payouts

I introduced a bill to protect both U.S. sovereignty and Congress's constitutional authority. It guards against financial risks born of international lawsuits or opinions built on unproven assumptions.

FBI Director: It's Time To Send Drones To Battle Drugs On The Reservation

President Trump and Director Patel wasted no time addressing this problem head-on, sending nearly 100 FBI personnel to issue arrest warrants for dangerous criminals distributing drugs and possessing illegal firearms on the Wind River Reservation.

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!

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