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Chris Floyd
Wyoming State Parks, Historic Sites, & Trails
State of Wyoming

Dear Chris,

On behalf of the outdoor recreation community, we want to share our heartfelt thanks for your service to the outdoor recreation economy and its wide benefits for the people of Wyoming. High-quality outdoor recreation infrastructure and access ensure fulfilling and healthy lives for all Americans, and your work exemplifies this relationship. Wyoming's outdoor recreation economy, which accounts for \$1.2 billion (3.4%) of the state's GDP and 14,187 jobs, is in a great position thanks to your leadership.

We want to highlight a few of your accomplishments in particular:

- Underscored the importance of outdoor recreation in buoying the state's economy throughout the COVID-19 pandemic
- Secured the Magpul Wyoming Governor's Match event, helping to promote Wyoming's outstanding outdoor recreation, while also boosting the state and regional economy with additional travel and tourism dollars
- Worked with and mentored University of Wyoming students to develop a communication tool to convey the economic and social benefits of outdoor recreation to stakeholders across the state.
- Spotlit Sweetwater County and Southwest Wyoming as an outdoor recreation hotbed, with ample opportunity for economic development and visitation
- Supported work of Southwest Wyoming Off-road Trails (SWOT), working towards connecting southwest Wyoming through a series of trails, roads, and county roads.
- Helped manage record visitation to Wyoming's public lands in 2020 and 2021.

As evidenced by the work above, your impact on outdoor recreation will be appreciated by Wyoming's residents and visitors alike for years to come, and we will miss your leadership in the role. Thank you again for your commitment to promoting outdoor recreation and its benefits, and we wish you the best in your next endeavors.

With gratitude,

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Association
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America (SVIA)

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