## Congress of the United States Washington, DC 20515

September 19, 2023

The Honorable Tracy Stone-Manning Director, Bureau of Land Management 1849 C Street NW Washington, D.C. 20240

Director Stone-Manning:

We write to you urging the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to expedite approval for the use of Rejuvra (indaziflam) herbicide on cheatgrass on BLM-managed lands. Your prompt attention to this matter is requested.

As you may know, Rejuvra is a restoration herbicide that stops cheatgrass, an invasive species, at the germination level and protects rangelands so forage can return. Cheatgrass has a short root system and therefore out competes native plants which have limited growing resources. The annual nature of the plant makes rangeland more susceptible to wildfires and leaves little nutritious forage for grazing species as it does not stay green to provide nutrition in the summer and the fall.

The U.S. Forest Service has already approved the use of Rejuvra on Forest Service lands and we see no reason to delay the approval for Rejuvra use on BLM land any longer. Farmers and ranchers on BLM-managed lands have limited resources to combat cheatgrass and the approval of Rejuvra on these lands would be a welcome decision.

As Members of the Congressional Western Caucus, we urge you to expedite the use of Rejuvra so ranchers can get ahead of cheatgrass before its growing cycle begins again in Spring 2024. Adding Rejuvra to their toolboxes now will help slow the spread of this invasive grass through an effective treatment program and ensure rangelands have the abundant grasses to meet the needs of livestock growers.

We look forward to your action and response.

Sincerely,

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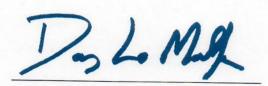
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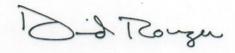
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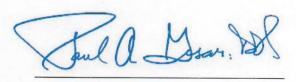
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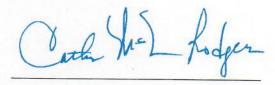
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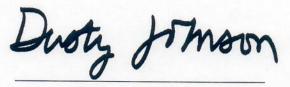
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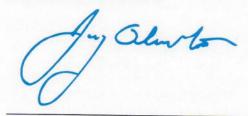
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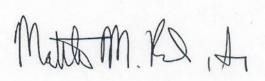
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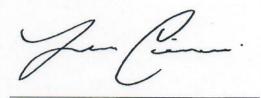
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