

Federal Political Coordinator Report to the Wyoming Association of REALTORS Board of Directors

June 6, 2017

On May 18th, we took a small group consisting of our State President, State GAD and one new FPC to meet with Senator Barrasso. I was able to congratulate him on his chairmanship of the Senate Environment and Public works committee which oversees the Endangered Species Act. His view on this issue is well aligned with NAR policy. We had a great chat regarding tax reform, homeownership sustainability as they relate to the MID and the deductibility of local taxes. The Senator is well aware of our issues and has been a steady backer of our industry. The NFIP is a program that the Senator is well versed in and we were able to visit about the importance of accurate mapping in order to make the program work better. All in all, we have a friend in Senator Barrasso which makes my job so much easier.

I was able to establish a relationship with his staffer that interacts with our industry issues, Marne' Marotta. This will be very helpful going forward as we ask for help from Senator Barrasso's office.

Respectfully submitted,

Landis Benson, FPC for Senator Barrasso