

## Boebert Secures \$11.6 Million in Initial Emergency Relief Funding to Re-Open I-70



When I-70 was shut down for 16.5 days following a catastrophic mudslide, Rep. Boebert was one of the first officials to visit the scene and led Colorado’s bipartisan congressional delegation in securing more than \$11.6 million dollars to reopen and repair I-70. To

alleviate the harms of I-70’s frequent closures, Boebert introduced the I-70 Detour Act to direct the Department of Transportation to identify an alternative to I-70 and to invest federal resources into improving the route.

## Boebert Secures Victory for Rural Healthcare

In 2021, Rep. Boebert met with Colorado State Rep. Matt Soper and Delta Health President and CEO Matt Heyn to offer her support for Delta Health being awarded Sole Community Hospital Provider Status. Securing this status increases the Medicare reimbursement rate and stabilizes drug prices. In March 2022, that status was secured, helping reduce drug prices and healthcare costs for patients.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert said, “Working together in a bipartisan manner, we were able to deliver a significant victory for rural healthcare in Colorado. This important new status will increase care and access to important services in rural America and Delta County.”

## San Luis Valley Radar System Now Online

Rep. Boebert delivered a victory for the San Luis Valley by getting its new weather radar integrated with the National Weather Service’s system. After a year of bureaucratic delays, Rep. Boebert stepped in to speed the process along. After she stepped in, the National Weather service integrated the data with its system. This improved data will help water districts and farmers manage drought, assist first responders in reacting to emergencies, and help rural communities have more resources and information.



## Nine Boebert Legislative Priorities for Colorado Signed Into Law

“In Congress, I promised to provide a voice for the people and to fight tirelessly for our communities,” explained Boebert, “Many of these important victories signed into law for Colorado and the Third District were ideas suggested by local stakeholders. Without selling my soul and my votes through the corrupt earmark process, we were able to get lots of great things done and into federal statute through the normal appropriations process. In short, these legislative victories will improve rural communities and put Americans first.”

Congresswoman Boebert advocated for rural Colorado and was able to secure nine legislative victories including:

1. **Securing \$1.74 billion for Community Health Centers** that provide medical care to rural communities.
2. **Securing \$48 million for the U.S. Forest Service** to actively manage our forests and address high-priority invasive species and pests like the bark beetle infestations ravaging Colorado and creating deadly wildfire hazards. This victory will help put the Forest Service on the right path to preventing wildfires and responsibly managing our forests.
3. **Securing \$10 million for the Bureau of Indian Affairs’ Indian Irrigation Fund** to address the deferred maintenance backlog and increase water storage at projects like the Pine River Indian Irrigation Project that provides irrigation to the Southern Ute Indians.

4. **Securing a legislative rider to prohibit funding** for any efforts to list the greater sage-grouse as an endangered species. If the non-endangered greater sage-grouse is listed, 173 million acres of land could be locked up to shut down energy production, critical mineral production, grazing rights, and other multiple-use activities.
5. **Securing \$1 million for the Wolf Livestock Loss Demonstration Program** to compensate farmers and ranchers whose livestock are killed by wolves reintroduced by federal programs.
6. **Securing a win for farmers and ranchers** by securing a legislative rider that delays the implementation of Electronic Logging Devices for livestock haulers for one year.

7. **Securing \$515 million for the Payment In Lieu of Taxes (PILT) program.** This victory will help rural counties fund law enforcement, firefighters, schools, infrastructure, wildfire prevention efforts, and other important local priorities.
8. **Securing important pro-life protections** including the Hyde and Weldon amendments.
9. **Securing important federal resources for NASA and Colorado’s space program** including \$2.6 billion for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) Space Launch System (SLS), \$1.4 billion for the Orion Multi-Purpose Crew Vehicle, and \$590 million for Exploration Ground Systems.

## Laying the Groundwork for a New Congress

Minority Leader Kevin McCarthy appointed Congresswoman Lauren Boebert to the Future of American Freedoms Task Force. The Task Force is charged with crafting legislation that Republicans will put forth in the next Congress.

Here are some of the bills Congresswoman Boebert is championing:

- **H.R.374.** Investigates the origins of COVID-19 and ensures America holds both the WHO and China accountable.
- **No Amnesty Act and Secure the Southern Border Act.** Ends “Catch and Release”, finishes building the wall, defunds sanctuary cities, restores the “Remain in Mexico” policy, and secures the border.
- **Protecting American Energy Jobs Act.** Repeals Biden’s job-killing executive mandates, ensures reliable and affordable energy supplies, and fosters economic growth and job creation in rural communities.
- **America’s Infrastructure Modernization Act.** Funds actual infrastructure without raising taxes or federal spending.
- **Beat China Act.** Combats the supply chain crisis and helps move manufacturing jobs back to America.



Rep. Boebert puts hard-working Americans first.

- **Protecting Financial Privacy Act.** Prevents the IRS from snooping on Americans’ bank accounts.
- **Championing Our Parents Act.** Protects parents concerned about education.
- **Active Forest Management, Wildfire Prevention, and Community Protection Act.** Prevents wildfires, manages our forests, improves the environment, and creates jobs.
- **Medical Freedom in the Military Act.** Prohibits dishonorable discharges and forfeiture of pensions for our troops that don’t receive a COVID vaccination.



- **No Transferring GITMO Terrorists to America Act.** Prohibits liberals from transferring GITMO terrorists to American soil.
- **Protecting Our Kids From Harmful Research Act.** Defunds federal programs that perform sex change, sterilization, chemical castration, and puberty-blocking procedures on children.
- **30x30 Termination Act.** Protects private property from the dangerous 30x30 program, which aims to lock up 30% of all land and waters in the United States by 2030.
- **Western Water Security Act.** Protects private property rights, prevents federal water grabs, and ensures an abundant supply of clean water for future generations.
- **Fueling American Prosperity Act.** Reduces gas prices and responsibly develops American energy by resuming energy leases Biden canceled and expediting the permit process.

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## Boebert Secures Major Win for Free Speech: Unconstitutional Disinformation Board Abolished



Rep. Lauren Boebert led 76 of her colleagues in introducing the Protecting Free Speech Act to terminate the Department of Homeland Security’s Disinformation Governance Board, also known as the “Ministry of Truth.”

After that legislation was introduced, Nina Jankowicz resigned, and the Biden administration announced the Department of Homeland Security’s (DHS’s) new Disinformation Governance Board would be placed on “pause.” A few months later, the Biden administration announced that the Disinformation Governance Board would be permanently abolished.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert stated, “This is a major win for free speech and the First Amendment. The Department of Homeland

Security should not be in the business of censoring free speech. The unconstitutional, dystopian ‘Ministry of Truth’ threatened the First Amendment by labeling speech disinformation. Instead of treating Orwell’s book 1984 as a warning, the Left tried to use it as an outline for their agenda. Thankfully, we the people spoke up in Congress and 76 of their representatives joined in my successful effort to save free speech.”

House Republican Whip Steve Scalise (LA-01) said, “The Soviet-style ‘Ministry of Truth’ is an Orwellian attempt... to punish anyone who disagrees with the big government socialist agenda by deeming opposing views as disinformation. This isn’t the first attempt to limit free speech. For years, people at the highest levels of power pushed the fake Russia collusion hoax to discredit President Trump...labeled concerned parents at school board meetings as ‘domestic terrorists’...and caved to teachers union bosses, and kept kids out of the classroom, instead of following the science. I applaud Congresswoman Boebert for leading the charge to prevent taxpayer money from funding the radical misinformation board, which would stifle the First Amendment.”

## Rep. Boebert Secures Win for Our Veterans: Honor Flight Services Resume for Our Nation’s Heroes

This spring, Congresswoman Boebert, along with 75 other Members in the House of Representatives, sent a letter to Department of the Interior Secretary Deb Haaland urgently requesting that the Department resume services for veterans participating in Honor Flight events in our nation’s capital.

Weeks later, the Honor Flight Network, the National Park Service (NPS), and the United States Park Police (USPP) positively responded to that request and announced the resumption of regularly scheduled Honor Flights for

veterans visiting their memorials in Washington, D.C.

Congresswoman Boebert stated, “Our nation’s veterans are true heroes and deserve to be treated with dignity and respect when they visit their memorials. Honor Flights are a once-in-a-lifetime experience and their last trip to our nation’s capital for many. The least we can do is welcome veterans appropriately and thank them for their sacrifices. Restoring these important services for America’s heroes is an important victory.”

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## Victory for the San Luis Valley: Water Safe from Renewable Water Resources’ Water Grab

The San Luis Valley won a major victory when the Douglas County Commissioners rejected Renewable Water Resources’ (RWR’s) water grab.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert said, “RWR’s plan to steal the San Luis Valley’s water is dead. In Congress, I have been working closely with farmers, ranchers, water districts, and local officials throughout the San Luis Valley to stop this water grab. Stealing seven billion gallons of water per year from the Valley to pump to the Denver suburbs, and using \$10 million of COVID money in the process, was a terrible plan. I will continue to oppose all efforts to steal the Valley’s water, and I

hope that this significant victory sends a strong message to everyone that the San Luis Valley will not give up its water.”

In February, Boebert met with farmers, ranchers, local officials, water district managers, and others throughout the San Luis Valley to oppose RWR’s plan to steal seven billion gallons of water per year from the San Luis Valley to pump to the Denver suburbs. Additionally, Congresswoman Boebert published multiple editorials in newspapers across Colorado advocating to protect the San Luis Valley’s water and detailing her legislative efforts in Congress to protect water rights.

As a result of this effort, Douglas County

Commissioner Laydon joined Commissioner Lora Thomas, who has been a champion opposing RWR’s plan.

Congresswoman Boebert said, “I am a tireless advocate for Colorado water, and in Congress I have worked on innovative solutions like strengthening legal protections for water rights, fighting noxious water-wasting weeds, securing



funds for building more water storage and delivery projects, and balancing multiple-use activities for water sources.”

## Boebert Introduces Bill to Classify Fentanyl as a Weapon of Mass Destruction

In response to the rising fentanyl deaths caused by the border crisis created by Biden’s policies, Congresswoman Lauren Boebert introduced the Fentanyl Is a WMD Act to classify fentanyl as a weapon of mass destruction (WMD).

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert stated, “Back home in Colorado, almost everyone I talk to knows someone who has died from fentanyl. Fentanyl is America’s silent killer and is now the leading cause of death for Americans aged 18 to 45. The saddest thing about the fentanyl crisis is

that it is preventable. National security experts know that the vast majority of deadly fentanyl plaguing our communities comes across the southern border. Just last year, Border Patrol encountered enough fentanyl at the border to kill every American seven times over. There is no way around it—the border crisis caused by Biden’s policies is killing Americans. It is time to call fentanyl what it is: a weapon of mass destruction that is destroying our nation.”

Designating this catastrophic opioid a weapon of mass destruction isn’t radical, it’s necessary. According to the Denver Post, over 900 Coloradans died for fentanyl last year. Fentanyl harms drug users, and it also harms first responders and good Samaritans who attempt

to rescue overdose victims. Earlier this year, a police officer in Colorado was taken to the hospital after being exposed to fentanyl while searching a drug user’s car.

Here’s the saddest part about the fentanyl crisis: it’s totally preventable. Law enforcement experts know that the vast majority of illicit fentanyl is smuggled across the southern border. Sadly, liberals are unwilling to introduce policies to secure the border. Congresswoman Boebert introduced the Secure the Southern Border Act to uphold the rule of law, enhance proven border security measures like President Trump’s wall, and restore successful border security policies.

We can dramatically reduce the deaths caused

by fentanyl, but it’s going to take bold, decisive action to make that happen.

A good first step would be to list fentanyl as a weapon of mass destruction. Doing so would direct the Department of Homeland Security to allocate additional resources to combat this crisis. This designation would also increase interagency coordination between the Department of Defense, the Drug Enforcement Agency, the Border Patrol, the Department of Homeland Security, and other federal entities to stop the sale and flow of fentanyl. This additional support will assist our brave men and women of law enforcement who are on the front lines to interdict deadly fentanyl flowing into our communities.

## Congresswoman Lauren Boebert Led the Bipartisan Effort to Keep the Bureau of Land Management’s Western Headquarters and 36 Jobs in Grand Junction.

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert led the charge and worked with Governor Polis as well as Senators Hickenlooper and Bennet when extremists wanted to move the Bureau of Land Management out of Grand Junction and back to the Swamp. Thanks to Boebert’s public pressure, Grand Junction will be the Bureau’s Western Headquarters, and according to the Bureau, 36 good-paying jobs will stay there, up from 16 initially announced by the Biden administration.

## Boebert Introduces the House Companion to the Bipartisan Dolores River National Conservation Area and Special Management Area Act

Congresswoman Lauren Boebert introduced the House companion to the bipartisan Dolores River National Conservation Area and Special Management Area Act to protect private water rights.

Congresswomen Boebert said, “This locally-driven, bipartisan bill is a public lands compromise put forth by local stakeholders that threads the needle. H.R. 8601 protects the Dolores River Corridor, conserves wildlife, and ensures scenic public lands for future generations while still protecting private water and private property rights. This well-crafted legislation ensures traditional uses like grazing, uranium mining and other mineral extraction, and motorized-vehicle use will continue. Importantly, this bill prevents a Wild and Scenic River (WSR) designation in perpetuity, something that would negatively impact all the aforementioned uses. The hard

work of everyone who came to the table to make this happen should be applauded.”

Nearly two decades in the making, the proposed National Conservation Area and Special Management Area would span three counties (Dolores, San Miguel, and Montezuma) covering 68,851 acres in the San Juan National Forest and the Dolores River Corridor.

In the 1970s this stretch of the Dolores River was deemed suitable for a WSR federal designation by the Bureau of Land Management. However, a WSR designation would not be in the best interest of rural Colorado since it would include a new federal reserved water right, negatively impacting existing private water rights.

Rep. Boebert’s bill will protect private property rights by preventing a WSR

designation. Additionally, it will not infringe on the jurisdiction of local county governments. The NCA management plan will only impact preexisting public land in the designated area, and nothing in the bill will prohibit or mandate actions on private land.

This legislation will ensure that community-led conservation continues. The bill will create an 11-person Dolores River National Conservation Area Advisory Council to advise the Secretary of the Interior.

Congresswoman Boebert said, “So many other public lands bills trample on local communities and private property owners. I am hoping that this community-led legislation will set the example by showing that protecting property rights and conservation can, and should, go hand-in-hand.”

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