



November 26, 2019

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
S-230  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles E. Schumer  
Minority Leader  
S-221  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell and Minority Leader Schumer:

On behalf of the American Bus Association (ABA), I write to convey our support for the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of U.S. Department of the Interior. We note the President announced his intent to nominate Ms. MacGregor on September 30, 2019, and we urge prompt consideration of her candidacy.

The ABA represents the motorcoach, tour and travel industry, an industry helping to bring the millions of visitors to the national parks each year. Our association has a proud 90-year history of representing the private motorcoach industry. Our membership includes over 800 private motorcoach operators, who provide all manner of bus transportation service including scheduled and charter service, in addition to commuter and contracted public transit service. As well, our membership includes 2,300 tour and travel operators, those engaged in planning and providing tours to domestic and international travelers, as well as highlighting local attractions around the country. We are an industry dominated by small businesses, providing safe, cost effective and reliable transportation services for both business and recreational purposes.

The National Park system is a vital destination for our industry members, and the Department needs a seasoned professional in the key position of Deputy Secretary. Ms. MacGregor's background makes her an ideal candidate for this position. She has served in a number of relevant positions, both staffing the House Natural Resources Committee and as senior level management at the Department. This career path has enabled her to develop a vast amount of experience and expertise to qualify her for this position. She also has demonstrated a commitment to small business and recreational concerns while balancing the need for sound conservation policies.

The ABA joins with others in supporting Ms. MacGregor's candidacy, and we urge you to promptly advance her nomination. Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

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Peter J. Pantuso  
President & CEO

Cc: The Honorable Lisa Murkowski, Chair, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
The Honorable Joe Manchin III, Ranking Member, Committee on Energy and Natural Resources



American Exploration &  
Mining Association

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February 7, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
United States Senate  
Washington DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
United States Senate  
Washington DC 20510

Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of the 1,800 members of the American Exploration & Mining Association (AEMA), we urge your support for the appointment of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI). Ms. MacGregor is highly qualified and already understands the complexities of the position. Her demonstrated experience with DOI and work on Capitol Hill proves her effectiveness as a leader and has uniquely prepared her for this critical position.

With Ms. MacGregor's leadership in natural resources policy, she understands the unique balance and the value of responsible multiple uses on public lands. Her dedication to ensuring a clean environment and respect for cultural resources while allowing responsible economic activity has been clearly demonstrated throughout her tenure, including her time as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary and Deputy Chief of Staff for Land and Minerals Management. We urge you and your colleagues to support her nomination.

AEMA is a 125-year old, 1,800-member national association representing the minerals industry with members residing in 44 U.S. states. AEMA is the recognized national voice for exploration, the junior mining sector, and maintaining access to public lands, and represents the entire mining life cycle, from exploration to reclamation and closure. Our members work closely with DOI to responsibly develop the mineral resources our society requires.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Yours truly,

Mark Compton  
Executive Director



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November 19, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
United States Senate  
Washington DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
United States Senate  
Washington DC 20510

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Yours truly,

Mark Compton  
Executive Director



October 30, 2019

**Sent Via Electronic Mail**

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
United States Senate  
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The Honorable Daniel Sullivan  
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Re: MacGregor Nomination (Deputy Interior Secretary)

Dear Senators Murkowski and Sullivan:

The Alaska Federation of Natives writes in support of President Trump's nomination of Katharine MacGregor to serve as the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior. AFN is the largest statewide Native organization in Alaska. Our membership includes 12 for-profit regional corporations, 12 not-for-profit regional organizations, 171 for-profit village corporations, and 191 federally recognized Indian tribes. Our mission, among other things, is to advance and enhance the voice of the Alaska Native community on issues of mutual concern, including critical federal appointments.

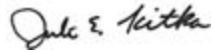
Ms. MacGregor has worked on a number of issues important to Alaska and Alaska Native peoples as the Acting Assistant Secretary of Land and Mineral Development and Deputy Chief of Staff, including offshore and onshore energy development, mining, and other critical mineral matters. She also lead the Department's efforts to harness DOI assets to advance rural broadband in communities throughout the nation.

AFN was extremely pleased to work with Ms. MacGregor on rural public safety issues, including Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women. AFN met with her on this and other issues each of the three times she visited Alaska. Ms. MacGregor was informed and genuinely interested in Alaska Native issues in those meetings, including the need to preserve the federal subsistence regulations.

Ms. MacGregor's education and professional experience make her well suited for this appointment. Prior to joining the Department, she worked on Capitol Hill for over 10 years, serving for two Chairmen of the House Natural Resources Committee; and holds a degree from the University of Pennsylvania.

If you have any questions about the content of this letter, please contact me directly. We look forward to working with you and your colleagues in the U.S. Senate on Ms. MacGregor's confirmation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Julie E. Kitka". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Julie Kitka  
President

Cc: Congressman Don Young



November 15, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
522 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado (AGNC) is an organization of local governments representing eight (8) counties and multiple municipalities in Colorado's great Northwest. Our members work with our constituents, as well as, our policy and law makers to advocate for laws and regulations that support the multiple use mandate for lands managed by the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI). AGNC would like to convey our support for the confirmation of Ms. Katherine MacGregor as the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Collectively, approximately 70% of the land mass in our counties is made up of federal lands. Our economies rely on the responsible management of these lands for multiple use in our region. Our communities rely on responsible natural resource development, including forestry, mineral extraction and recreation facilities. Our communities also enjoy robust outdoor recreation activities including, fishing, hunting, viewing wildlife, motorized and non-motorized excursions. Our communities work with regulators and lawmakers to ensure a balance exists that supports the uses of public lands for habitat, agriculture, recreation and industrial activities.

Ms. MacGregor is a strong candidate for the position of Deputy Secretary as she has a great deal of experience with laws and issues related to natural resources. She has held high level positions at DOI including that of Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Lands and Minerals Management. She currently exercises the authority of the Deputy Secretary through her current position as Deputy Chief of Staff.

Ms. MacGregor has extensive experience working with DOI initiatives that are of interest to many stakeholders including the Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership, the National Cattleman's Beef Association, the Public Lands Council, American Sheep Industry Association and the Industrial Minerals Association to name a few. Given her knowledge of important issues related to public lands, her ability to work with a broad range of stakeholders and her approach to important land management matters, AGNC members strongly support her appointment as Deputy Secretary.

AGNC is appreciative of the opportunity to provide comments regarding this appointment for such an important position. Our members request that your committee confirm the appointment of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Interior decisively and expeditiously. Please contact our Executive Director, Bonnie Petersen at 970-665-1095 or [bonnie@agnc.org](mailto:bonnie@agnc.org) if you have any questions.

Best Regards,



Ray Beck  
AGNC Chairman  
Moffat County Commissioner



Andy Key  
AGNC Vice-Chairman  
Rangely Town Councilman



# AMERICANS FOR LIMITED GOVERNMENT

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November 22, 2019

The Hon. Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
U.S. Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Hon. Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
U.S. Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

Americans for Limited Government strongly urges your support for the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Americans for Limited Government is dedicated to limiting the size and scope of government, and given that the Interior Department oversees about one-fifth of the land in the United States, we take a very strong interest in the activities and operations in the Department.

That is why we are so enthusiastic about Ms. MacGregor's nomination. Her career has been dedicated to sound and balanced resource management policies, and she will be an incredible asset to meeting the vision of the Interior Department to:

- *Promote energy security and critical minerals development* to create jobs for Americans, insulate our nation from volatile political developments overseas, provide additional energy security to allies via surplus domestic supply, and generate revenue for all levels of government so they in turn have the resources to better serve the American people.
- *Increase access to outdoor recreation opportunities for all Americans* so that our people can be healthier, more fully enjoy the wonderful features of their federal lands, and take advantage of hunting, fishing, and other outdoor recreation pursuits that are the roots of the conservation movement.
- *Enhance conservation stewardship* whereby all levels of government and private landowners work cooperatively together in an atmosphere of mutual respect to achieve shared natural resource management goals across landscapes.



- *Improve management of species and their habitats* by focusing our financial and staff resources on improving the status of our nation's fish and wildlife and the healthy habitats that support them, and by streamlining bureaucracy to help us spend relatively more of our funding productively on the ground to better meet societal needs and our own natural resource management responsibilities.
- *Uphold trust and related responsibilities*, recognizing the importance of government-to-government relationships with Indian tribes, Alaska Natives, and insular areas, and respecting self-determination and sovereignty.

Ms. MacGregor's Capitol Hill experience working on resource and land issues will be a tremendous asset in this new role, and her proven administrative capacity demonstrated through her current successful tenure at Interior has given her a breadth of understanding of the inner workings of the Department which lay the foundation for success.

America will benefit from Katharine MacGregor's leadership as she assists Secretary David Bernhardt and President Trump in carrying out the important mission entrusted to them at the Department of Interior.

We urge your support for Katharine MacGregor's confirmation.

Sincerely,

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Richard Manning  
President  
Americans for Limited Government



November 25, 2019

Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
S-230, The Capitol  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chair  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Honorable Joe Manchin  
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RE: Support for Katharine MacGregor

Dear Majority Leader, Chairwoman Murkowski, and Ranking Member Manchin:

Thank you for your service to our nation. I write today to urge the U.S. Senate to confirm the nomination of Katharine MacGregor. As you know, President Donald Trump has nominated Ms. MacGregor to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. The Department has been without a Deputy Secretary for approximately a year now, so I do hope the Senate will vote to confirm Ms. MacGregor before the end of 2019.

Katharine is truly an expert when it comes to our nation's public lands, mineral deposits, and energy interests, among others. She is simply one of the most knowledgeable, professional, and impressive persons I have met in dealing with the federal government. As you know, Ms. MacGregor's tenure with the U.S. House of Representatives Natural Resources Committee has been most valuable and she truly grasps the issues westerners face on a daily basis.

American Magnesium is working to excavate dolomite and magnesium and help to supply the U.S. with this structural metal that is strong yet flexible and lightweight. President Trump issued Executive Order 13817 in December 2017 calling for a national strategy for reducing reliance on critical minerals and promoting access to domestic supplies with magnesium being one of these critical minerals.

Ms. MacGregor understands the importance of the domestic production of such critical minerals and the Department is well served to have her in a leadership capacity. Frankly, I am simply thrilled by this bright young woman's nomination to be Interior Deputy Secretary.

I respectfully urge the U.S. Senate to confirm the nomination of Katharine MacGregor. Please call on me if I may provide any additional support or information.

Regards,

American Magnesium, LLC

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Carol Ness Brewka, Managing Member



November 5, 2019

Senator Lisa Murkowski  
522 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Senator Joe Manchin  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington D.C. 20510

**RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Dear Senators Murkowski & Manchin,

The Arizona Mining Association (AMA) and the Arizona Rock Products Association (ARPA) support President Trump's nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior. The members of the AMA and ARPA are affirmed that given her extensive experience and expertise Katharine MacGregor will prove to be an exceptional choice.

The AMA is a non-profit corporation comprised of entities engaged in mining and mineral processing in Arizona. In 2017, AMA member companies produced approximately 68% of the nation's newly-mined copper, along with significant amounts of associated valuable co-products (e.g., gold, silver, selenium, tellurium and molybdenum). Arizona's hard rock mining industry employs approximately 9,800 people directly which supported an additional 26,130 indirectly and has an estimated direct and indirect impact on the Arizona economy of nearly \$5.9 billion. The AMA is the unified voice of responsible, sustainable and safe mining in Arizona. Through our advocacy, we help Arizona continue to be a premier location for mining investment in the U.S.

ARPA is the oldest mining related trade organization in Arizona and for 60 years has been providing representation for over 50 member companies involved with the production of aggregates, asphaltic concrete, ready mix concrete, asphalt, lime products, and portland cement used in nearly every private and public construction project in Arizona.

Arizona's aggregate mining industry employs approximately 6,275 people directly and another 9,450 indirectly for a total of 15,725 and has an estimated direct and indirect impact on the Arizona economy of \$3 billion. Our over 50 producer members are combined with 66 associate members that provide related transportation, contracting, mining supplies and consulting services. These operations are a benefit to any community in terms of employment, tax revenues, charitable giving and adding to the quality of residents' lives by providing the essential materials necessary for schools, homes, roads and hospitals in the area.

Kate MacGregor is currently serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary at the U.S. Department of the Interior. Kate has served in several positions at the Department since joining the Trump Administration in January 2017, including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Lands and Minerals Management.

As the Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management and then as Deputy Chief of Staff, Ms. MacGregor has spearheaded efforts to enhance the Department's contribution to American energy security. The U.S. is now the world leader in oil and natural gas production, with record highs in domestic crude oil production, natural gas production and coal exports, and the Department is on pace to nearly double the disbursements to states and Tribes from energy development revenues.

As Deputy Chief of Staff exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary, Ms. MacGregor is a critical voice on the Secretary's team in the Department's ongoing efforts to improve conservation. Improving how the Department accomplishes its conservation mandate in the Endangered Species Act is a priority for the Secretary, and Ms. MacGregor has helped inject critical thinking and a deliberate approach in important management improvements.

It is for these reasons and many more that the organizations would be grateful to have such a tried and proven leader and fully support this nomination. Thank you for your thoughtful consideration.

Sincerely,

Steve Trussell  
Executive Director of AMA & ARPA



October 31, 2019

To whom it may concern:

I write today in support of President Trump's nomination of Kate MacGregor to serve as the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

I serve as the Executive Vice President for Arctic Slope Regional Corporation (ASRC). ASRC is one of twelve land-owning Alaska Native regional corporations created at the direction of Congress under the terms of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act of 1971 (ANCSA). ASRC's region is the North Slope of Alaska. The region encompasses 55 million acres of northern Alaska and includes the Native villages of Point Hope, Point Lay, Wainwright, Atkasuk, Utqiagvik, Nuiqsut, Kaktovik, and Anaktuvuk Pass.

As Acting Deputy Secretary and previously, Acting Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management, Kate has gone out of her way to understand and protect the unique needs of our North Slope Native communities. The residents of our villages harvest subsistence resources from the land, rivers and ocean, as they have done for millennia, and look to the Interior Department to protect these resources. Our villages also depend for their economic survival on resource development, and we have found that oil and gas resources in particular can be developed in our region in a manner that protects the natural environment and preserves our access to subsistence resources. Our communities today depend both on the continuation of responsible resource development as well as the protection of the natural environment and of our subsistence resources. It is imperative that the Interior Department's senior leadership work closely with our communities to continue to pursue these dual objectives.

Kate's experience at the Interior Department, combined with a decade of experience on Capitol Hill, makes her a knowledgeable and capable advocate for the residents of the North Slope, including the Alaska Native shareholders of ASRC.

Please accept our strong support for Kate's nomination. If you need additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

Quyanaqpak  
ARCTIC SLOPE REGIONAL CORPORATION

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Richard Glenn  
Executive Vice President of External Affairs



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November 18, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Energy & Natural Resources Committee  
United States Senate  
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Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Energy & Natural Resources Committee  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Nomination of Kate MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The American Wind Energy Association<sup>1</sup> (AWEA) endorses Kate MacGregor's nomination to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. Ms. MacGregor has a strong record of supporting responsible renewable energy development, which is critical to an all-of-the-above energy approach that moves our nation toward energy independence and vital for the leadership role for which she has been nominated. She has deep expertise in the statutes, regulations and commercial realities of developing renewable energy on our federal lands and federal waters. She understands the need for timely, transparent and predictable regulatory processes, including for offshore and onshore wind energy projects being considered under the One Federal Decision policy. We have every expectation that Ms. MacGregor will make progress in improving the permitting process when confirmed. Ms. MacGregor has also demonstrated a commitment to managing our federal lands and waters consistent with the principle of multiple-use, where appropriate, to ensure that renewable energy production, conservation, recreation, military readiness, economic development and other activities can exist in concert – and not in conflict – with one another.

AWEA and our member companies work closely with the Department of the Interior. We believe Ms. MacGregor will enhance that partnership and contribute to the wind energy industry building on its current successes. Already, the 100 gigawatts of installed wind energy capacity powers 32 million American homes, supports 114,000 U.S. jobs and 500 factories across our country, and contributes more than \$1 billion each year in payments to landowners and in taxes to states and localities.

This is just the beginning. For example, offshore wind is poised for explosive growth in the U.S. The first eight gigawatts of offshore wind is expected to create 36,000 jobs over the next 10 years. The anticipated development of 18.6 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2030 will create a nearly \$70 billion opportunity for U.S. supply chain businesses.

AWEA supports her confirmation and looks forward to continuing to work with her to advance our priorities.

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<sup>1</sup> AWEA is the national trade association for the U.S. wind energy industry. We represent 1,000 member companies and over 100,000 jobs in the U.S. economy, serving as a powerful voice for how wind works for America. Members include global leaders in wind power and energy, turbine manufacturing, and component and service suppliers.



Thomas C. Kiernan  
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Best Regards,

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Thomas C. Kiernan



December 3, 2019

**Via Email**

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chair  
US Senate Committee on Energy  
and Natural Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
US Senate Committee on Energy  
and Natural Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The American Exploration & Production Council ("AXPC") is a trade association based in Washington, DC that represents 29 of America's leading independent exploration and production companies.

I write to express the unqualified support of AXPC for the confirmation of Katherine MacGregor as the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior. I have had the pleasure of knowing and working with Ms. MacGregor in various capacities over the past 5 years and know her to be extremely competent and well versed in the issues and policies of the Department of the Interior. Her experience at senior staff levels in both the legislative and executive branches of our government, which requires the successful balancing of many competing interests, uniquely qualifies her to serve in this position.

AXPC urges the prompt confirmation of Ms. MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Very truly yours,

V. Bruce Thompson





December 4, 2019

To: The Honorable Lisa Murkowski, Chair  
The Honorable Joe Manchin, Ranking Member  
US Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

**Re: Nomination of Ms. Kate MacGregor for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation (AZSFWC) is a 501c-3 non-profit organization dedicated to wildlife conservation, habitat work, youth recruitment and retention, as well as educating sportsmen and women on issues important to their passions.

AZSFWC consists of 41 member, affiliate, and associate groups that reach across the spectrum of hunting, angling, shooting, outdoor recreation and businesses from all across Arizona. Our member groups represent in excess of 10,000 sportsmen and women from Arizona.

AZSFWC and twenty seven (27) of our member and affiliate organizations join the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation and other groups voicing support for Ms. MacGregor's nomination for the Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

AZSFWC believes her past experience, coupled with her work on access opportunities on both federal lands and waters are particularly important for Arizona sportsmen and women. Arizona has 23.5 million acres of publicly accessible National Forest and Bureau of Land Management lands which provide fish and wildlife with irreplaceable habitat. Enhancing access to those lands and waters are critical in continuing to provide sportsmen and women with opportunities to hunt, fish and recreate.

Thank you for considering our input on this nomination!

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Executive Director

AZSFWC letter supporting Kate MacGregor for Deputy Secretary of the Interior – 12-4-19

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation  
PO Box 75731 New River, AZ 85087



**AZSFWC Organizations Supporting the Nomination of  
Kate MacGregor for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Anglers United  
AZ Antelope Foundation  
AZ Bass Federation Nation  
AZ Big Game Super Raffle  
AZ Bowhunters Association  
AZ Chapter of National Wild Turkey Federation  
AZ Chapter Safari Club International  
AZ Deer Association  
AZ Desert Bighorn Sheep Society  
AZ Elk Society  
AZ Houndsmen's Association  
AZ Outdoor Sports  
AZ Predator Callers  
AZ Shooting Sports Education Foundation  
Christian Hunters of America  
Mohave Sportsman Club  
Outdoor Experience 4 All  
Southwest Wildlife Foundation  
SRT Outdoors  
The BASS Federation  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership  
Valley of the Sun Quail Forever  
Xtreme Predator Callers  
Yuma Valley Rod & Gun Club  
1.2.3.Go...  
Ben Avery Clay Busters  
Conserve and Protect Arizona

AZSFWC Organizations Supporting Kate MacGregor for Deputy Secretary of Interior – 12-4-19

Arizona Sportsmen for Wildlife Conservation  
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February 24, 2020

Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Senate Majority Leader  
317 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Confirmation of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary, U.S.  
Department of the Interior**

Dear Senator McConnell,

BigGame Forever is a non-profit membership organization of more than 90,000 conservation-minded sportsmen committed to protecting the future of our outdoor heritage. Our large social media presence with over 420,000 followers allows us to have an open dialog with hunters and outdoorsmen from around the United States. Together we speak with one united voice to promote the protection of abundant wild game and the sportsmen's way of life.

We recognize Ms. MacGregor's experience and work with the Department of the Interior as well as her familiarity with natural resource issues from her previous experience on Capitol Hill. We were impressed by the breadth of knowledge she demonstrated during her November 5th testimony before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. We see her as someone who will continue to listen to states' needs and ensure they are considered in policy put forward and administered by the Department of the Interior.

As hunters and outdoorsmen, we depend on proper management of public lands for both our livelihood and recreation. We rely on knowledgeable leaders, like Ms. MacGregor, at the head of the Department of Interior that understand the important balance that must be struck between the varied uses of and demands on our public lands while promoting good stewardship.

We are pleased with the leadership of the Department of the Interior under Secretary Bernhardt and President Trump to improve access to our public lands and ensure that states can properly manage their wildlife populations.

BigGame Forever strongly encourages the Senate to confirm Katherine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior in the most expedient manner.

Sincerely,

Ryan Benson, President  
BigGame Forever

February 24, 2020

Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Senate Majority Leader  
317 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Confirmation of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary, U.S.  
Department of the Interior**

Dear Senator McConnell,

As a coalition of community leaders, outdoor businesses and conservation organizations representing hundreds of thousands of hunters and outdoorsmen we are writing to support President Trump's nomination of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

We recognize Ms. MacGregor's experience and work with the Department of the Interior as well as her familiarity with natural resource issues from her previous experience on Capitol Hill. We were impressed by the breadth of knowledge she demonstrated during her November 5th testimony before the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. We see her as someone who will continue to listen to state's needs and ensure they are considered in policy put forward and administered by the Department of the Interior.

It is important for us who so frequently use and access the public lands that surround our homes to have knowledgeable leaders, like Ms. MacGregor, at the head of the Department of Interior. It is clear she understands the important balance that must be struck between the varied uses of and demands on our public lands while promoting good stewardship.

As hunters and outdoorsmen, we are pleased with the leadership of the Department of the Interior under Secretary Bernhardt and President Trump to improve access to our public lands and ensure that states can properly manage their wildlife populations.

We strongly encourage the Senate to confirm Katherine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior in the most expedient manner.

Sincerely,

BigGame Forever (BGF)

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All About Adventure Excursions

Arizona Bass Junkyz

Arizona BASS Nation

Arizona Big Game Super Raffle

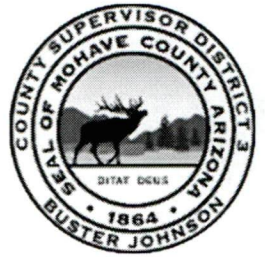
Arizona Catfish Conservation Assoc	Helena, MT BGF
Arizona Deer Association	Henderson, NV BGF
Arizona Desert Bighorn Sheep Society	Hunters Heritage Council
Bearpaw Outfitters	Idaho BGF
Billings, MT BGF	Idaho Falls, ID BGF
Boeing Employees Everett Gun Club	Inland NW Wildlife Council
Boise, ID BGF	Kalispell, MT BGF
Borderline Bassin' Contenders	KBH Archers
Boulder City, NV BGF	Kittatas County Field & Stream
Bozeman, MT BGF	Laramie, WY BGF
Bremerton Sportsmen's Club	Livingston, MT BGF
Butte, MT BGF	Michigan BGF
Capitol City Rifle/Pistol	Missoula, MT BGF
Cascade Mountain Men	Montana BGF
Cascade Tree Hound Club	Montana Trappers
Cedar River Bowmen	Montana Young Trappers Camp
Chubbuck, ID BGF	MT Outdoor Heritage Council
Citizens for Balanced Use	National Wild Turkey Federation -
Citizens for Responsible Wildlife Management	South Sound Longbeards
Clark County, NV BGF	North Carolina BGF
Cody, WY BGF	North Dakota BGF
Columbia River Decoys & Guide Service	North Flight Waterfowl
Custom Garage Floors	Northern Idaho BGF
Don McDowell Outdoor Radio	Northern Nevada BGF
Eastern Idaho BGF	Northwest Sportsmen's Club
Edison Sportsmen's Club	NW Field Trial & Hound Association
Elko, NV BGF	Okanogan Hound Club
Extreme Desire TV	Oregon BASS Nation
Final Approach Waterfowl	Oregon Black Bass Action Committee
Goodyear BASS Club	Oregon Only Development
Great Falls, MT BGF	Oregon Outdoor Council
	Pacific Flyway

Panhandle Outfitters	Tacoma Sportsmen's Club
Pateros Sportsman's Club	Tennessee BGF
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Pheasants Forever Chapter #257	The Bass Federation - Arizona
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Pocatello, ID BGF	Vashon Sportsmen's Club
Reno, NV BGF	Warm Water Champions
Richland Rod & Gun Club	Washington BGF
Riverton, WY BGF	Washington Cattlemen's Association
Rock Springs, WY BGF	Washington Chapter Wild Sheep Foundation
Safari Club International (SCI) - Central Washington	Washington Chapter WSF
SCI - Inland Empire	Washington Falconer's Association
SCI - Puget Sound	Washington For Wildlife
Seattle Sportsmen's Conservation Foundation	Washington Game Fowl Breeders Association
Sedona Web Design	Washington Muzzleloaders Association
Skagit Sportsman and Training Association	Washington State Archery Association
South Carolina BGF	Washington State Big Game Council
South Dakota BGF	Washington State Hound Council
Southeastern Idaho BGF	Washington State Trappers Association
Southwest Mt SCI	Washington Waterfowl Association
Spirit Electronics	Washingtonians for Wildlife Conservation
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SRT Hook & Bullet Club	Wildlife Committee of Washington
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## BUSTER D. JOHNSON SUPERVISOR DISTRICT 3

February 20, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
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United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
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304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

I want to take this time offer my full support to the appointment of Katharine MacGregor to the position of Deputy Secretary of the Department of Interior. I have been a County Supervisor for rural Mohave County, Arizona, for the past twenty years. Mohave County is the fifth largest county in the United States encompassing 13,461 square miles of which 70.7% of our land mass is held by the federal government as public lands. It is very important to Mohave County and other rural counties such as ours that we have a Deputy Secretary who understands the needs of rural America. I am very confident Ms. MacGregor is the best choice for the voice of rural counties such as ours.

Ms. MacGregor's vast experience in natural resource policy will make her an excellent candidate for this position. With over five years of experience working as a senior staffer for the House Committee on Natural Resources, she wrote policy and legislation in regards to natural resources and energy. She understands the importance of America's critical minerals and what they mean to our energy sector. I have long been a proponent of uranium mining and feel Ms. MacGregor is the best choice to ensuring America stops importing over 90% of our uranium supply from foreign entities such as Russia. Currently 375 million pounds of uranium sits unable to be touched in northern Mohave and Coconino Counties in Arizona thanks to a January 2012 withdrawal of uranium mining near the Arizona Strip area. Having someone like Ms. MacGregor as Deputy Security who understands the importance and national security implementations in allowing America to produce its own energy is something the Department has needed for a long time.

With her knowledge of how the Department runs and the connections she has made during her extensive time at Capitol Hill and the Department, she will be able to hit the ground running on day one. I am confident Ms. MacGregor is the best choice for this position and I offer my full support for her nomination.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'BDJ', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

Buster D. Johnson  
Mohave County Supervisor  
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November 4, 2019

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United States Senate  
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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
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Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The U.S. Chamber of Commerce supports the nomination of James P. Danly to be a Member of the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) and Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Mr. Danly has amassed considerable experience serving as the current General Counsel at FERC and previously in private law practice, as well as a law clerk at the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit. Danly also served as an infantry officer in the U.S. Army, and received a Bronze Star and a Purple Heart. Mr. Danly's diverse and substantive experience have prepared him to serve as a FERC commissioner.

Ms. MacGregor's extensive experience in public service make her an outstanding choice to serve as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of Interior. Ms. MacGregor is an unquestionable expert on federal lands policy having served in a variety of senior roles at the Department after a decade as a Congressional staffer, including at the House Committee on Natural Resources.

Sincerely,



Neil L. Bradley

cc: Members of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources





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February 20, 2020

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RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

Dear Madam Chairperson Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

As Chairman of the Chelan County Commission, please accept this strong support for the confirmation of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. (DOI)  
Chelan County has more than 87% of its land in the Public domain. Most of that public land is under the control of the DOI. This can be both a blessing and a heavy responsibility that can only be managed under a true partnership with the DOI. This partnership requires capable, responsive and dedicated leadership that both listens and follows through with its promises to join with its neighbors to protect and manage our valuable assets. Ms. MacGregor has these qualifications.  
I urge you to quickly confirm her nomination.

Sincerely

Doug England  
Chairman



November 1, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural  
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United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
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Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of Cook Inlet Region, Inc. (CIRI), I am writing to express our support for the appointment of Ms. Katharine Ann MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior. Ms. MacGregor has advanced many beneficial priorities for Alaska in her role as the Acting Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management. She has advanced important issues for Alaska and the nation as we strive for energy dominance for our national security. Issues such as offshore and onshore energy development, mining, and exploration for critical minerals from domestic natural resources. In a similar vein, Ms. MacGregor has led the Department of Interior's efforts to harness agency assets to advance rural broadband in communities throughout the nation. This effort is critical throughout Indian Country in the Lower 48 states and even more so in Alaska.

Ms. MacGregor's track record of working closely with Assistant Secretary of Indian Affairs Tara Sweeney helped the Department advance vital Native American issues related to self-determination efforts for Alaska Natives, Alaska Native tribes and tribes throughout Indian Country, and helped Alaska Native Corporations. Most importantly, she has been actively involved in the Department's strategy focused on Missing and Murdered Native Americans, a subject of urgent importance to Alaska Native people.

Katharine Ann MacGregor has a relevant and substantial background in public service. She has worked for two chairmen of the House Natural Resources Committee on issues related to responsible domestic energy development. Her work on certain Alaskan issues has also been important as we struggle to diversify our economy and rise from the recession created by oil prices. Specifically, Ms. MacGregor has worked on major Alaska Environmental Impact Statements (EIS) including the Liberty EIS, the Ambler Mining District Access Road EIS and the Greater Moose's Tooth 2 Supplemental EIS and Record of Decision.

It is important that Ms. MacGregor has earned the respect of our Alaska Native people because she has helped lead efforts that will enable her to accomplish the

Chairman Lisa Murkowski  
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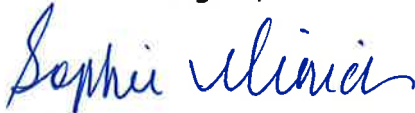
policies and directions set by the Administration. She will provide excellent advice and counsel to the Secretary of Interior and the White House from her strong background and knowledge of promoting Alaska issues and Alaska Native Rights, cultural values and economic sustainability.

CIRI supports Ms. MacGregor's appointment as the next Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior and asks for her expedited confirmation to immediately assume leadership for this administration on behalf of Alaska and Alaska Native people.

Thank you for your consideration of this letter of support. If we can provide additional information, please contact me at [sminich@ciri.com](mailto:sminich@ciri.com) or by my direct line 907-263-5137.

Sincerely,

Cook Inlet Region, Inc.



Sophie Minich  
President and Chief Executive Officer

cc: The Honorable John Hoeven, Chair, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs  
The Honorable Tom Udall, Vice Chair, Senate Committee on Indian Affairs  
The Honorable Dan Sullivan, U.S. Senate  
The Honorable Don Young, U.S. House of Representatives



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November 14, 2019

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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

**Re: Confirmation of Department of Interior Deputy Secretary Nomination**

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin,

Founded in 1953 by rural Colorado business leaders, Club 20 is a non-partisan membership-based coalition composed of 22 counties, 45 cities and towns, and hundreds of businesses and individuals in Western Colorado. Organized for the purpose of speaking with a single unified voice on issues impacting our region, Club 20 writes to offer our support for the nomination of Kate MacGregor to the Department of Interior Deputy Secretary position.

Western Colorado consists of more than 70% public lands, most managed by the agencies within the Department of Interior. Colorado’s economic successes are supported by ranching, energy development, recreation and tourism. The BLM manages 8.3 million acres of public lands and 27 million acres of federal mineral estate in Colorado, with most of that being concentrated on the Western Slope.

Under the leadership of Secretary Bernhardt, Club 20 and our communities have had unprecedented access to the key decision makers whose decisions directly impact the lives thousands of Coloradans. Through the closeness of this partnership, we have been able to put forward endangered species and land management plans informed by local science that takes into consideration the unique topography and geography of our region. These plans will result in better management of our lands for all users.

After reading though Ms. MacGregor’s biography and evaluating her portfolio of work, Club 20 feels she has the knowledge and capacity to continue these efforts and will prioritize local collaboration and management if confirmed as Deputy Secretary. Ms. MacGregor is undoubtedly qualified for the position and will bring invaluable experience to the Department. Ms. MacGregor is currently serving as Deputy Chief of Staff, exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary, so she already understands the challenges and opportunities of the position. She has held numerous positions at the Department since 2017, including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Lands and Minerals Management. Ms. MacGregor has also held prominent staff positions in the House of Representatives and has demonstrated a strong understanding of Natural Resource Policy and a commitment to bi-partisan solutions.

We are extremely grateful for the opportunity to express our support for Ms. MacGregor and her nomination for Deputy Secretary and we strongly encourage the Senate to confirm her nomination.

Respectfully,

Christian Reece  
Executive Director



**Central Montana Regional Water Authority**  
**P.O. Box 175**  
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November 25, 2019

Honorable Mitch McConnell  
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Honorable Joe Manchin  
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Dear Majority Leader, Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

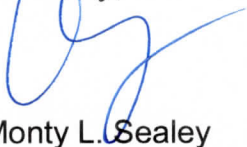
The Central Montana Regional Water Authority (CMRWA) strongly supports the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. I write to urge the United States Senate to confirm her nomination.

The CMRWA is currently working with Congress to authorize its Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System (MJRWS) in Central Montana. The Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System is the first to complete the entire planning process prescribed under the Rural Water Supply Act of 2006 so the Authority has years of experience in working with the Bureau of Reclamation at the Department of the Interior. Once authorized, construction can begin on the Musselshell-Judith Rural Water System to provide residents of Central Montana with a reliable supply of high quality drinking water from the Madison Aquifer groundwater. The CMRWA is a coalition of eight incorporated communities; several unincorporated communities, and many rural areas in central Montana with a long legacy of poor water quality and limited quantity. Right now the water is simply dirty and unsafe to drink.

Reclamation – and the Department as a whole – will benefit from Ms. MacGregor's service as Deputy Secretary. Through her years of public service on Capitol Hill and at the Department of the Interior, Katharine MacGregor has shown her commitment to responsibly using our nation's natural resources to benefit our citizens and she is a strong defender of conservation and the multiple use of public lands.

Katharine MacGregor is a splendid choice to serve as Deputy Secretary and I urge the United States Senate to vote on her nomination before the Christmas holiday.

Sincerely,



Monty L. Sealey  
Project Administrator

Cc: James Kalitowski, Chairman. CMRWA

# Nomination of MacGregor to Serve as Deputy Secretary of the Interior Passes Committee

Posted on **Tuesday, February 18, 2020**

On February 11, the Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee advanced the nomination of Ms. Kate MacGregor to serve as the next Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI) on a strong bipartisan voice vote.

The nomination of Ms. MacGregor to serve as the Deputy Secretary has now passed the Committee on a bipartisan vote twice. Ms. MacGregor's appointment required a second nomination by the President after the Committee advanced her nomination, but the full Senate failed to hold a floor vote as a result of the legislative calendar late last year. In advance of the Committee's vote last week, the Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) sent an alert to Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus (CSC) members who serve on the Energy and Natural Resources Committee urging them to vote in favor of Ms. MacGregor's nomination, and included in the alert was a **letter** from CSF in support of the nomination.

Since joining the Department of the Interior in 2017, MacGregor has served in a number of roles including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Lands and Minerals Management, and her current role as Deputy Chief of Staff. She is currently exercising the authority of Deputy Secretary of the Department. Prior to joining DOI, MacGregor served as a staff member on the House Natural Resources Committee for 10 years under two different Chairmen where she gained critical knowledge needed to ensure the conservation of our nation's natural resources.

"The Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation applauds the swift advancement of Kate MacGregor's nomination as the Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior," said Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation President Jeff Crane. "During her time at the Department and on Capitol Hill, Kate has demonstrated a clear and firm commitment to America's sportsmen and women. We look forward to working with her as the Deputy Secretary after she is confirmed by the full Senate."

MacGregor's nomination now awaits a floor vote in the Senate.

<http://congressionalsportsmen.org/the-media-room/news/nomination-of-macgregor-to-serve-as-deputy-secretary-of-the-interior-passes>



Date: November 4, 2019

To: United States Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources

RE: The Nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor

From: The Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation  
Jeffrey S. Crane  
President

Dear Chair Murkowski, Ranking Member Manchin, and Members of the Committee:

The Congressional Sportsmen's Foundation (CSF) would like to express strong support for Ms. Katherine MacGregor to serve as the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior, and urges the Committee to swiftly advance her nomination out of Committee and to the Senate floor for a subsequent confirmation vote.

Established in 1989, CSF works with the Congressional Sportsmen's Caucus (CSC), the largest, most active bipartisan caucus on Capitol Hill, comprised of nearly 250 Members of Congress from both the House and Senate, led by Senate CSC Co-Chairs Senators Deb Fischer (NE) and Martin Heinrich (NM), and Vice-Chairs Senators John Boozman (AR) and Joe Manchin (WV).

Through her years of public service on Capitol Hill and at the Department of the Interior (DOI), Ms. MacGregor has demonstrated her firm commitment to advancing policies that provide a balanced approach to the management of our nation's federally owned public lands and natural resources.

Prior to joining DOI, MacGregor served as a Congressional staffer on the House Natural Resources Committee for 10 years, serving under two different Committee Chairmen. In 2017, Ms. MacGregor joined DOI, and has since served in a number of different roles, including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Lands and Minerals Management, and currently as the Deputy Chief of Staff where she has been exercising the authority of the Department's Deputy Secretary since May.

Through her unique work experiences, Ms. MacGregor has demonstrated her vested commitment to advancing public access opportunities on federal lands and waters for a diversity of outdoor recreationalists, including America's sportsmen and women, while also advancing sound conservation policies. Furthermore, MacGregor has been instrumental in implementing S. 47, the John D. Dingell, Jr. Conservation, Management, and Recreation Act, which passed this Committee and Congress earlier this year with overwhelming bipartisan support.



In summary, CSF strongly supports the nomination of Ms. MacGregor to serve as the Deputy Secretary of the Interior. CSF would like to thank Chair Murkowski, Ranking Member Manchin, and Members of the Committee for holding this important hearing. Finally, CSF urges the Committee to build off of the bipartisan victories earlier this Congress by quickly advancing Ms. MacGregor's nomination out of Committee and to the Senate floor for a final confirmation vote.

Sincerely,

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Jeffrey S. Crane  
President



November 5, 2019

Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
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**RE: Doyon Support of Katharine “Kate” MacGregor to Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior**

This letter is a written statement of Doyon’s support of President Trump’s nomination of Kate MacGregor to serve as the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

Doyon is one of the thirteen Native regional corporations established by Congress under the terms of the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act (“ANCSA”), 43 U.S.C. §§ 1601 *et seq.*, as amended. Headquartered in Fairbanks, Doyon has more than 20,000 shareholders. Doyon is the largest private landowner in Alaska, with a land entitlement under ANCSA of more than 12.5 million acres. Doyon’s lands extend from the Brooks Range in the north to the Alaska Range in the south. The Alaska-Canada border forms the eastern border and the western portion almost reaches the Norton Sound.

Doyon’s mission is to promote the economic and social well-being of our present and future shareholders, to strengthen our Native way of life, and to protect and enhance our land and resources.

Doyon has worked closely with the Department of Interior, including with the National Park Service, the Bureau of Land Management, the US Fish and Wildlife Service and the Bureau of Indian Affairs on numerous programs, policies, and issues.

Most recently, the Bureau of Land Management has been developing multiple resource management plans that cross the Doyon region. Participating in these planning efforts have been Doyon’s federal policy priority for several years. Regional and village corporation landowners are the largest stakeholders within the planning areas, as ANCSA lands and village activities are impacted by the planning outcomes. Kate engaged faithfully

in consultation with Doyon on these plans, and on many issues, in concert with the Department's obligation to consult with Tribes and Alaska Native corporations.

Kate's experience at the Interior Department and Capitol Hill makes her both a knowledgeable and capable candidate, and she is someone who understands Doyon's mission, and who understands Alaska Native Corporations.

Kate met with Doyon, in our headquarters in Fairbanks, Alaska. Doyon acknowledges her efforts, and the efforts of others at the Department of Interior to lift over one million acres of PLOs in Alaska, almost all of which are encompassed by the Doyon region.

Therefore, on behalf of Doyon, Limited, please accept our support of Katheryn's nomination. If you need additional information or have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Sarah E. Obed".

Sarah E. Obed  
Senior VP External Affairs  
Doyon, Limited

November 26, 2019

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Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
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Dear Majority Leader McConnell, Chairman Murkowski, and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of the Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority in Eastern Montana, I write to express strong support for the appointment of Ms. Katharine MacGregor to act as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. Please confirm her nomination before year end.

Ms. MacGregor has served our federal government admirably over the years and helped the U.S. House of Representatives and its Natural Resources Committee with many issues important to Montana. She is a strong supporter of public land conservation and multiple-use while ensuring clean water is a top priority. We applaud her appointment and are confident her work as

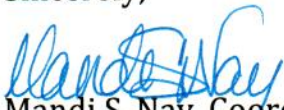
Deputy Secretary will assist the Department in expanding rural water initiatives and clean drinking water systems.

The Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority (DRWA) of Montana was established in 2004 to plan a regional drinking water system to provide safe, clean water to residents in the eastern Montana counties of Dawson, Garfield, McCone, Prairie, and Richland; in addition to McKenzie County, North Dakota. At full build, our water will bring clean drinking water to approximately 30,000 people in eastern Montana and western North Dakota.

The Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority has worked for more than 14 years with the Bureau of Reclamation and is confident the Bureau will be well served with Ms. MacGregor as the Interior Deputy Secretary.

Please know we appreciate the Committee's approval of Katharine MacGregor's nomination and we respectfully urge you, Leader McConnell, to schedule a full Senate vote to finalize her appointment.

Sincerely,



Mandi S. Nay, Coordinator

Dry-Redwater Regional Water Authority

# GILA RIVER INDIAN COMMUNITY

*Executive Office of the Governor & Lieutenant Governor*

“Putting Our People First”

*Stephen Roe Lewis*  
Governor



*Robert Stone*  
Lieutenant Governor

November 4, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
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United States Senate  
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The Honorable Joe Manchin III  
Ranking Member  
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RE: Support for Nomination of Ms. Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior

Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of the Gila River Indian Community, I write in support of the nomination of Ms. Katharine MacGregor to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

Our support is based on our experience with Ms. MacGregor during the “Reclaiming our Native Communities” roundtable held on the Gila River Indian Reservation this past June and her continued involvement and interest in furthering policies related to missing and murdered Native Americans, addressing domestic violence in Native communities, and highlighting the cold cases that plague tribal communities across the Country.

Prior to attending the roundtable, Ms. MacGregor took the time to visit the Community’s domestic violence shelter and committed to creating programs that break down silos across federal agencies and offer tribal governments the tools they need to provide local solutions to a national problems.

Following the roundtable the Gila River Indian Community was encouraged to start a dialogue about data and resource-sharing at the tribal level and committed to bringing local and regional solutions to these issues in a way that reinforces the tribal-federal partnership that must exist to make tribal communities safer – a goal that was shared at the roundtable. The Gila River Indian Community looks forward to continuing that dialogue with Ms. MacGregor in her capacity as Deputy Secretary once confirmed.

Ms. MacGregor’s decade of experience on the Natural Resources Committee will also be beneficial to the Gila River Indian Community and tribes across the Country as we work on

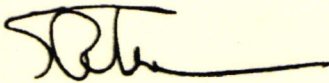
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complex initiatives to protect our natural resources and advance water and energy policy with federal, state and local partners.

Based on our experience with Ms. MacGregor, we support her confirmation for Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior and believe she will make decisions in a way that advances tribal sovereignty and the trust responsibility between the United States, including the Gila River Indian Community.

Sincerely,



Stephen Roe Lewis  
Governor





November 18, 2019

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Washington, DC 20510

Senator Joe Manchin  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
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**RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Dear Madam Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The clock is ticking down on the first term of the Trump Administration. It is vital the Department of the Interior (DOI) has the confirmed personnel to efficiently administer our public lands, wildlife, minerals and waters. Being that Wyoming is 48 percent federally owned, it is important to us to have the DOI team comprised of knowledgeable, experienced and capable leaders. Kate MacGregor exceeds those qualifications.

The Deputy Secretary is a key player in the management team. I personally express my support and urge the Committee and the full Senate to take action on her nomination without undue delay.

Long before exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary, Ms. MacGregor was instrumental in not only managing the day to day affairs of DOI as Deputy Chief of Staff, but provided expert policy advice. This knowledge came through her time with the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, part of the transition team and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals. She clearly knows the issues surrounding energy development, wildlife, water and other natural resources. More importantly, she understands the federal government should be a good neighbor when dealing with landowners, mineral split estates and state agencies. She knows that just being the federal government is not a solution or an answer and is committed to effective consultation with the states concerning federal resources.

In short, about the only way she could be more qualified for this position would be if she grew up in Wyoming, but we are most willing and anxious to work with her on Wyoming/federal issues.



Senator Lisa Murkowski

Senator Joe Manchin

Re: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

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Thank you for your consideration. If I can be of any assistance, do not hesitate to contact me or Randall Luthi in my office at [randall.luthi@wyo.gov](mailto:randall.luthi@wyo.gov).

Sincerely,



Mark Gordon  
Governor of Wyoming

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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Conformation of Department of Interior Deputy Secretary Nomination**

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking member Manchin:

As Chairman of the La Paz County Board of Supervisors, I am writing this letter today to express my support of the nomination of Kathrine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. I am currently serving my 3<sup>rd</sup> term as one of three La Paz County Supervisors. During my time as Supervisor, there has been issues brought before me, at times challenging when dealing with Federal and State agencies. Finding the need to contact our Elected Representatives and their staff in Washington to help intervene to facilitate solutions to my issues.

A few weeks ago, I found myself in this situation once again. This involved a voting location in Cibola, AZ where I reside and represent my constituents. Over the past 15+ years the residents of Cibola had been utilizing the Cibola Wildlife Refuge as a place used for National, State and Local elections, only to learn after a change in management this service had been revoked. After reaching out to the Department of the Interior on this matter, I was assured this would be investigated.

With my past experiences, follow up phone calls would need to be had to try and resolve issues. Instead I received only one phone call, it was from Kathrine MacGregor explaining in a very professional manner that she had been working on this issue for me and La Paz County. She went on to say this issue had been resolved and that voting privileges would be reinstated and by the end of the week the Cibola

Wildlife Refuge would be notified. I was extremely impressed with how Kathrine jumped right in on our voting issues and found a solution so quickly due to my past experiences.

It is for the reasons mentioned above that I would encourage and support a swift conformation of Kathrine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Interior. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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Holly Irwin



October 28, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and  
Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and  
Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

**RE: Confirmation of Department of Interior Deputy Secretary Nomination**

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The Industrial Minerals Association – North America (IMA-NA) strongly supports President Trump’s nomination of Kate MacGregor to serve as Deputy Interior Secretary. We encourage the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources to confirm her as quickly as possible.

The IMA-NA is a non-profit trade association representing industrial minerals producers throughout the United States. IMA-NA represents a diverse set of member companies engaged in the mining and processing of minerals such as ball clay, barite, borates, bentonite, calcium carbonate, diatomite, feldspar, industrial sand, kaolin, perlite, talc, wollastonite, and soda ash. Many of these operations are on public lands that come under the jurisdiction of the Department of Interior.

According to the United States Geological Survey (USGS), in 2018, the industrial minerals sector of the mining industry provided over 150,000 jobs in the United States. The total value of industrial minerals production was \$56.3 billion in 2018 as well. With the continued pressure on the mining sector from China and elsewhere in the global market, it is vital now, more than ever before, that we have key positions like the Deputy Secretary filled with people with the expertise and knowledge of the energy and minerals sector that we are confident Ms. MacGregor possesses. Her background as a Congressional staffer and at the Department of Interior has her uniquely positioned to be able to handle the duties of this important role on day one.

We need officials who will help best position the U.S. natural resources industries to have an opportunity to succeed with sound policy decisions. As the 2019 Mineral Commodity Summaries for 2019 from the USGS suggests, we are facing growing pressure to import minerals from foreign sources, many of these minerals are critical to our manufacturing sector and national security overall. It is important that we have policies and procedures in place to

promote proper and economical mineral development in the United States and to ensure we are utilizing our natural resources.

The IMA-NA strongly encourages the swift confirmation of Ms. MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Interior. We look forward to working with the Committee during the confirmation process and to ensuring the minerals sector is placed in as strong a position as possible by sound legislative and regulatory policies.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Chris Greissing". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "C" and "G".

Chris Greissing  
Executive Vice President  
IMA-NA

# Kane County Commission

76 N. Main St., Kanab, Utah 84741



February 21, 2020

US Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell  
317 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell,

As the Kane County Board of Commissioners, located in Southern Utah, we urge your support for the appointment of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI).

Ms. MacGregor's talented leadership in natural resources is a valuable asset to the entire country. She understands the unique balance and the value of multiple uses on public lands. In Kane County she has been a tremendous help to us as we advocate for the ability to use our public lands in a wise and responsible manner.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our support for Ms. MacGregor and her nomination for Deputy Secretary and we strongly encourage the Senate to confirm her nomination.

Thank you,

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Lamont Smith,

Kane County Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Andy Gant in blue ink.

Andy Gant

Kane County Commissioner

Handwritten signature of Brent Chamberlain in blue ink.

Brent Chamberlain

Kane County Commissioner



National Cattlemen's  
Beef Association



October 2, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The Public Lands Council (PLC), National Cattlemen's Beef Association (NCBA), and American Sheep Industry Association (ASI) support the nomination Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior. PLC is the only national organization dedicated solely to representing the roughly 22,000 ranchers who hold federal grazing permits and operate on federal lands. NCBA is the beef industry's oldest and largest national marketing and trade association representing American cattlemen and women who provide much of the nation's supply of food and own or manage a large portion of America's private property. ASI is the national trade organization representing the interests of the 100,000 sheep ranchers located throughout the country who produce America's lamb and wool.

Ms. MacGregor's vast experience in natural resources policy make her an excellent candidate for this position. A veteran of Capitol Hill and the Department of the Interior, she has proven a capable leader and strong executor of the Department's mission. In our dealings with her as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management and Deputy Chief of Staff, she has been an honest broker who listens intently to the concerns of cattle and sheep producers. We are confident that she will bring these qualities to her new role when confirmed.

As part of their business operations, livestock producers do vital work to improve water sources, revitalize wildlife habitats, and maintain the open spaces that all Americans enjoy. Having leaders at the Department of Interior who understand the agriculture industry, and the role it plays in the stewardship of America's lands and species, is vital to ensure the continuity of our national heritage.

PLC, NCBA, and ASI appreciate the opportunity to provide our input on behalf of our members – the nation's food and fiber producers. We urge swift confirmation of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Houston  
President  
National Cattlemen's Beef Assn.

Bob Skinner  
President  
Public Lands Council

Benny Cox  
President  
American Sheep Industry Assn.



Jeff Landry  
Attorney General

**State of Louisiana**  
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February 24, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
United States Senate Majority Leader  
S-230, The Capitol  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell,

I write this letter in support of President Trump's nomination of Ms. Katherine Sinclair MacGregor to serve as Deputy Secretary of the United States Department of the Interior.

Ms. MacGregor possesses the education, the experience, and the capacity to thrive in this critical role. She is a dedicated public servant, and I have no doubt that Ms. MacGregor will continue to serve our Nation with honor and distinction.

I have worked closely with Ms. MacGregor for nearly a decade. Both as a Member of Congress and as Louisiana Attorney General, I have benefitted from her wise counsel and sage advice many times. I am confident that Ms. MacGregor will lead the Department with integrity and accountability.

Ms. MacGregor understands the challenges and the opportunities of this important position. I trust she will continue to promote energy security and critical minerals development, increase access to outdoor recreation opportunities for all Americans, enhance conservation stewardship, improve management of species and their habitats, and uphold trust and related responsibilities in our government's relationships with Indian tribes. What's more: I believe Ms. MacGregor will continue to employ a common-sense approach that yields dividends in cooperation from state and private stakeholders.

Ms. MacGregor's strong leadership skills will ensure that her tenure as Deputy Secretary is marked with action that efficiently and effectively manages our Nation's natural resources. For Louisiana and America, I ask you and your distinguished colleagues to support her nomination.

If you have questions or need more information on my support for Ms. Katherine Sinclair MacGregor, please feel free to contact me at 225-326-6705 or [landryj@ag.louisiana.gov](mailto:landryj@ag.louisiana.gov).

Sincerely,

Jeff Landry  
Louisiana Attorney General





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January 30, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairwoman of the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Re: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

Dear Chair Murkowski, Ranking Member Manchin, and Members of the Committee:

The Board of Mesa County Commissioners submits this Letter in strong support of appointing Katharine MacGregor as the Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Ms. MacGregor has served for many years in the U.S. Department of the Interior, including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary - Lands and Minerals Management. Ms. MacGregor has worked on issues that include improving responsible domestic energy and mineral development, enhancing rural broadband, and executing other Administration priorities.

Ms. MacGregor's first-hand expertise and extensive knowledge of natural resources, public lands and her ability to maintain and improve partnerships with government partners are exemplary. Ms. MacGregor has visited Mesa County on several occasions and we were so pleased to have her at an event where the Bureau of Land Management donated a fire truck to the De Beque Fire Protection District for use by their fire station.

Thank you for your consideration, Katharine MacGregor will be an incredible asset to our Nation, and our Board gives her our highest recommendation.

Sincerely,

Scott McInnis, Chair  
Board of County Commissioners

Rose Pugliese  
Commissioner

John Justman  
Commissioner



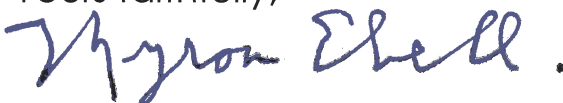
24<sup>th</sup> February 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510  
Via e-mail

Dear Senator McConnell,

I write in strong support of the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to serve as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. CEI has worked since the 1980s on a wide range of federal lands issues and property rights issues, including especially the Endangered Species Act. In my dealings with legislation before the House Natural Resources Committee in recent years, I often interacted with Ms. MacGregor and always found her to be extremely capable, hard working, and committed to improving the laws that govern federal land management. During her time at the Department of the Interior in appointive positions, I have noticed the same qualities. Ms. MacGregor's ability, experience, and dedication make her highly qualified to serve as Deputy Secretary.

I am confident that Ms. MacGregor will do an outstanding job as Deputy Secretary and look forward to working with her on some of the important issues facing the Department of the Interior. I hope that you and your Senate colleagues will confirm her nomination overwhelmingly.

Yours faithfully,  


Myron Ebell  
Director, Center for Energy  
and Environment



## *National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition*

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February 21, 2020

US Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell  
317 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell:

As the Siskiyou County Superintendent of Schools, located in Northern California, we urge your support for the appointment of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI).

Ms. MacGregor's talented leadership in natural resources is a valuable asset to the entire country. She understands the unique balance and the value of multiple uses on public lands. In Siskiyou County she has been a tremendous help to us as we advocate for the ability to use our public lands in a wise and responsible manner.

We appreciate the opportunity to express our support for Ms. MacGregor and her nomination for Deputy Secretary and we strongly encourage the Senate to confirm her nomination.

Thank you,

Kermith Walters, President  
National Forest Counties and Schools Coalition  
Superintendent of Education  
Siskiyou County Office of Education

# Ranchers Applaud Committee Approval of MacGregor, Urge Swift Confirmation from Full Senate



## Ranchers Applaud Committee Approval of MacGregor, Urge Swift Confirmation from Full Senate

WASHINGTON (Feb. 11, 2020) – Public Lands Council (PLC) Executive Director and National Cattlemen’s Beef Association (NCBA) Executive Director of Natural Resources, Kaitlynn Glover today released the following statement in response to today’s Senate Energy and Natural Resources Committee markup of the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior:

"Kate MacGregor has been an exceptional advocate for multiple-use on public lands during her time with the

Interior Department. Her strong leadership and extensive land management background will serve the American people well in this new role. We are glad to see her nomination advance to the full Senate, where we urge swift confirmation to this pivotal role.”

<https://www.ncba.org/newsreleases.aspx?newsid=7165>



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February 14, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
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Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
306 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The North Dakota Petroleum Council (NDPC) represents over 700 companies involved in all aspects of the oil and gas industry, including oil and gas production, refining, pipeline, mineral leasing, consulting, legal work, and oilfield service activities in North Dakota, South Dakota, and the Rocky Mountain region. Today, NDPC writes to offer its support and the support of its members for the confirmation of Kate MacGregor to the Department of Interior Deputy Secretary position.

Ms. MacGregor's vast leadership experience in natural resources policy and public lands management make her uniquely situated to successfully assume the responsibilities of the position to which she has been nominated. A common sense and fact-based approach to policy development is critical, and we believe Ms. MacGregor has demonstrated her ability to utilize that approach in her roles as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Lands and Minerals Management and, most recently, as Deputy Chief of Staff.

Within North Dakota, over 4.1 million Federal and Indian Trust mineral acres are managed by the Department. With Ms. MacGregor's strong background and understanding of the value of responsible multiple uses on public lands, we are confident the public lands of North Dakota will continue to be of benefit to all under her leadership. We therefore urge you and your colleagues to support her swift confirmation to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kari Cutting, Vice President  
North Dakota Petroleum Council



RICH NOLAN  
*President & CEO*

February 24, 2020

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader, U.S. Senate  
S-230, U.S. Capitol Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

The Honorable Charles Schumer  
Minority Leader, U.S. Senate  
S-221 Capitol Building  
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell and Minority Leader Schumer,

On behalf of the National Mining Association (NMA), I strongly urge you to vote in support of confirming Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI). NMA is the national trade association representing the producers of most of America's coal, metals, and minerals; the manufacturers of mining and mineral processing equipment and supplies; and engineering, transportation, financial and other businesses that serve the mining industry. As such, our members routinely conduct operations on federal lands managed by DOI and have extensive engagement with agency personnel.

Ms. MacGregor has continuously demonstrated a strong commitment to serving our nation in many different capacities and is highly qualified for the office in which she has been nominated. Her experience working in a bipartisan fashion on Capitol Hill, as well as her time within the department, has proven her ability to provide thorough, thoughtful, and knowledgeable handling of the issues within DOI's purview. Under her dedicated leadership, the department has reaffirmed its commitment to multiple-use mandates on public lands, worked to ensure thorough environmental analysis in the permitting process, and provide greater certainty to those seeking to operate on federal lands.

If confirmed, Ms. MacGregor will advance balanced and sensible solutions to federal land management policies for improved recreation, protection, and commerce. On behalf of the NMA and its members, I strongly urge you to vote in support of Ms. MacGregor to be the next Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

Sincerely,

Rich Nolan



# New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association

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December 3, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

It is with great pleasure that the New Mexico Cattle Growers' Association (NMCGA) writes in support of the nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor to the post of Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior. NMCGA has members in 32 of the state's 33 counties as well as members in 19 other states.

The NMCGA has had the pleasure of working with Kate for many years, first on the Hill with the House Committee on Natural Resources and in the various positions she has held at Interior for the past three years.

She is a strong leader at every level with a quick grasp of the facts and potential solutions to meet every challenge. She has the ability to work with diverse groups of people and her integrity is second to none.

We believe that Kate has every quality necessary to serve as Deputy Secretary and strongly encourage her confirmation as soon as possible.

We look forward to working with Kate in the new capacity in the future.

Thank you in advance for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

Tom Sidwell

President

**TOM SIDWELL**, President, Quay; **RANDELL MAJOR**, President-Elect, Magdalena; **LOREN PATTERSON**, Vice-President At Large, Corona; **TY BAYS**, SW Vice-President, Silver City; **DUSTIN JOHNSON**, NW Vice-President, Farmington; **JEFF BILBERRY**, SE Vice-President, Elida; **BLAIR CLAVEL**, NE Vice-President, Roy; **SHACEY SULLIVAN**, Secretary-Treasurer, Bosque Farms; **PAT BOONE**, Past-President, Elida; **CAREN COWAN**, Executive Director, Albuquerque





**New Mexico Federal Lands Council**

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December 3, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the New Mexico Federal Lands Council (NMFLC), are proud to write in support of the nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor to the post of Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

The NMFLC is the trade organization charged with representing federal lands allotment owners and state grazing lessees on issue impacting the more than 60 percent of New Mexico that is held in government hands.

We have had the pleasure of working with Kate for many years, first on the Hill with the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources and now in the various positions she has held at Interior for the past three years.

We believe that Kate has every quality necessary to serve as Deputy Secretary and strongly encourage her confirmation as soon as possible.

She is a strong leader at every level with a quick grasp of the facts and potential solutions to meet every challenge. Kate has the ability to work with diverse groups of people and her integrity is second to none.

We look forward to working with Kate in the new capacity in the future.

Thank you in advance for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

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Don L. (Bebo) Lee

President



## New Mexico Wool Growers, Inc.

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Phone: 505.247.0584 / Fax: 505.842.1766

Email: [nmwgi@nmagriculture.org](mailto:nmwgi@nmagriculture.org)

December 3, 2019

To Whom It May Concern:

We, the New Mexico Wool Growers, Inc. (NMWGI), are pleased to have the opportunity to write in support of the nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor to the post of Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

The NMWGI is the states' oldest trade organization going back to well before statehood.

Kate has been a champion for natural resources for many years, first on the Hill with the U.S. House Committee on Natural Resources and now in the various positions she has held at Interior for the past three years.

Kate has every quality necessary to serve as Deputy Secretary and strongly encourage her confirmation as soon as possible.

She is a strong leader at every level with a quick grasp of the facts and potential solutions to meet every challenge. Kate has the ability to work with diverse groups of people and her integrity is second to none.

We look forward to working with Kate in the new capacity in the future.

Thank you in advance for your attention and consideration.

Sincerely,

Bronson Corn

President



December 9, 2019

The Honorable Mitch McConnell, Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell:

The National Park Hospitality Association (NPHA) urges rapid action on the President's nominee for Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior, Katharine MacGregor. We have worked with Ms. MacGregor in her role as Deputy Chief of Staff at Interior. We have found her informed, welcoming of our ideas and suggestions, and very capable of aiding in the management of a department with important influences on our association's members and their roles in serving visitors to America's national parks.

We have appreciated Ms. MacGregor's leadership at the department on a range of issues, including improved broadband access within front-country portions of the nation's public lands which will advance safety and allow utilization of new technologies to enhance enjoyment of time outdoors. We also applaud her leadership of departmental efforts to balance regulation with new models of operation, including public-private partnerships, which are in the best interests of the nation.

Ms. MacGregor has met with recreation and tourism leaders to discuss and support the contributions we make to rural economic vitality, and we appreciate that contact. Outdoor recreation is a large, fast-growing and sustainable pillar of the US economy – according to the U.S. Department of Commerce's Bureau of Economic Analysis providing the nation with 5.2 million jobs and \$778 billion in gross output, tied closely to public lands and waters. Our industry alone represents nearly \$2 billion annually in sales of goods and services in areas administered by Interior.

We find Katharine MacGregor qualified and equipped to help lead a department with immense importance to our nation on matters ranging from energy to outdoor recreation, from rural community sustainability to conservation. The department oversees more than 25% of our nation's surface, hosts nearly a billion recreation visits annually and provides in excess of \$1.5 billion in federal assistance to key fishing, boating, hunting, shooting sports and conservation efforts – all of which are critical to the businesses of our companies.

We note that this nomination has been recommended by the appropriate committee and awaits action by the full Senate. We ask your help in completing this nomination.

Sincerely,

Sincerely,

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Scott Socha

Chairman

January 30, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairwoman  
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Senate Committee on Energy and Natural  
Resources  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
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Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of the over 400-members of the National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association (NSSGA), I am writing to express our strong support for the nomination of Katharine MacGregor to be the Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior (DOI).

NSSGA is the leading voice and advocate for the aggregates industry, with member companies representing more than 90 percent of the crushed stone and 70 percent of the sand and gravel consumed annually in the United States. Our members are responsible for the essential raw materials found in every home, building, road, bridge and public works project, employing over 100,000 working men and women.

NSSGA members have a strong working relationship with DOI and its many agencies, and we are pleased to partner with the hardworking men and women at the department to further preserve our heritage, protect our wildlife and advance our natural sciences.

Since joining DOI in 2017, Deputy Assistant Secretary MacGregor has already undertaken numerous roles and is responsible for improving responsible domestic energy and mineral development, combating missing and murdered American Indians and Alaskan Natives, enhancing rural broadband, and executing on other critical priorities. That is why I am pleased to support her and encourage your committee to advance her nomination.

Thank you for your consideration of our views and please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,



Michael W. Johnson  
President and CEO  
National Stone, Sand & Gravel Association



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February 20, 2020

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin;

I write on behalf of the National Tribal Energy Association (NTEA), to express our support of the nomination of Ms. Katharine MacGregor to be the next Deputy Secretary for the Interior. The NTEA is a Nationwide Tribal Trade Organization that represents and advocates for the largest energy resource and energy production Tribes.

Ms. MacGregor's experience in natural resources policy and her public-sector service make her an excellent candidate for this position. Her experience on Capitol Hill and with the Department of the Interior, has shown and she has proven to be a more than capable leader, administrator, and strong proponent of the Department's mission. We have worked closely with her in her capacity as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management and Deputy Chief of Staff, she has been a strong advocate for Tribes, Tribal Sovereignty, and the issues important to us. We are confident that she will bring these qualities to her new role when confirmed. Leaders at the Department of Interior who understand Tribes and our needs, are very important to strengthening the Trust Relationship with Tribes. We pray for a quick confirmation of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Sincerely,

Conrad C.J. Stewart  
Member, Board of Directors

November 4, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chair  
Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
United States Senate  
304 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Joe Manchin  
Ranking Member  
Energy and Natural Resources Committee  
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Dear Chairwoman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

On behalf of the National Water Resources Association (NWRA), I strongly support the nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

Ms. MacGregor is a well-accomplished professional who is widely respected throughout the natural resource policy community. She has spent her career developing a keen awareness and expertise in resource development policy. Her distinguished career includes serving as Staff Director for multiple chairmen of the House Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources. She also has a track record of success in her recent leadership positions at the Department of the Interior where she has been instrumental in developing and implementing policies throughout multiple agencies. As someone who has first-hand experience working with Ms. MacGregor, I can speak to the respect she commands from leaders, stakeholders, and peers.

The NWRA is a nonpartisan, nonprofit federation of state water resources associations, regional associations, agricultural, and municipal water providers. Our members provide water and hydropower to approximately 50 million individuals, families, agricultural producers, and other businesses in a manner that supports communities, the economy, and the environment.

Accordingly, we understand the need for leadership at the Department of the Interior that serves as a genuine and willing partner to water users, assesses challenging water issues honestly and objectively, and implements policies to make western water work for all users. Ms. MacGregor has been a leader throughout her career and we are confident she will bring that experience and leadership to the Department of the Interior as Deputy Secretary.

We are encouraged that you have scheduled a hearing on Ms. MacGregor's nomination and support swift consideration. Should you have questions or would like to discuss Ms. MacGregor's nomination, please feel free to contact me at [ilyle@nwra.org](mailto:ilyle@nwra.org) or 202-698-0693.

Thank you for your time and consideration of Ms. MacGregor's nomination.

Sincerely,



Ian Lyle  
Executive Vice President  
National Water Resources Association



**Safari Club Intl** @SafariClubIntl · Nov 19, 2019



Congrats to Katharine MacGregor whose nomination to be Deputy Secretary of @Interior advanced out of the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources today with bipartisan support.

We look forward to her swift confirmation. #FirstForHunters



James M. Lewandowski  
CEO

Times-Shamrock Communications



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President and Publisher

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December 3, 2019

Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Majority Leader  
S-230, The Capitol  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Majority Leader McConnell:

I write in support of Katharine MacGregor, the nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior.

Our broad-based media company has 15 print publications in Northeastern Pennsylvania, more than 10 radio stations in the Scranton/Wilkes-Barre, Baltimore, Milwaukee and Las Vegas markets, dozens of websites, a creative services division and a billboard company.

Times-Shamrock's four daily newspapers have a combined total weekly audience of 493,785, and its publications and radio stations reach more than 1 million Northeastern Pennsylvania readers and listeners each month. Over the years our company has worked with the Department of the Interior to gain permits on public lands for communications towers, particularly in rural areas of the west.

Ms. MacGregor -- a fellow Pennsylvanian -- has demonstrated her expertise of public lands and possesses the experience needed to help lead the Department. As you know Ms. MacGregor served the Natural Resources Committee in the U.S. House of Representatives Natural Resources Committee for ten years. Her commitment to assist the nation's multiple use of public lands is commendable.

It is my hope the U.S. Senate will swiftly vote on Katharine MacGregor's nomination and confirm the leadership of the Department of the Interior. With best regards

Sincerely,

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William R. Lynett, President  
Shamrock Communications, Inc.



**William R. Lynett**  
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**December 3, 2019**

**cc: Honorable Lisa Murkowski**  
**Chair**  
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**United States Senate**  
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**Honorable Joe Manchin**  
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Date: February 4, 2020  
To: United States Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
RE: The Nomination of Ms. Katherine MacGregor  
From: Shawn Bolton (former Commissioner of Rio Blanco County, Colorado)

Dear Chair Murkowski, Ranking Member Manchin, and Members of the Committee:

This letter is in support of Ms. MacGregor as the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

I first came in contact with Ms. MacGregor when I was asked to testify to the House of Natural Resources on the proposed venting and flaring rules. At that time, she was a Congressional staffer for the House of Natural Resources Committee. During my time in Washington DC, she offered up her knowledge and expertise to help me present a successful testimony.

Ms. MacGregor is respectful, intelligent, and resourceful. I was most impressed with her willingness to do her own research and fact-check all statements that were given to her.

Outside of DC, I have also seen her visit the Western Slope of Colorado on several occasions. These visits showed her personal investment and interest in our natural resources. This commitment has not been seen in previous administrations and is greatly appreciated.

Ms. MacGregor's common-sense approach to developing policies that create balance between public lands and natural resources will be an indispensable asset to the Department of the Interior.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,



Shawn Bolton  
Former Commissioner  
Rio Blanco County, Colorado



February 4, 2020

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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
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**Re: Confirmation of Department of the Interior Deputy Secretary Nominee**

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:


The Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation (SAF) supports President Trump's nomination of Katharine Sinclair MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the U.S. Department of the Interior. Ms. MacGregor will bring a breadth of experience to the position, having served in other key roles throughout the Dept. of the Interior, House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy & Mineral Resources and other Capitol Hill offices.

A Pennsylvania native and 2004 graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Ms. MacGregor is currently serving as the Deputy Chief of Staff, as well as acting Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior. In her experience as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Land and Minerals Management, Ms. MacGregor manages the activities of four agencies: the Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, and the Office of Surface Mining, Reclamation and Enforcement. In this capacity, Ms. MacGregor has worked on a broad range of matters, including promoting the responsible development of domestic energy and minerals, improving rural broadband access, and addressing the horrible incidences of missing and murdered Native Americans and Alaska Natives.

The Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation, formerly known as the U.S. Sportsmen's Alliance Foundation, is a national organization of hunters, fishermen, and other sportsmen headquartered in Columbus, Ohio. Founded in 1977 to preserve and advance the rights of sportsmen across the country, SAF has worked closely with the Department of the Interior to ensure fair and equal treatment of its members and all of those in the wider sportsmen community. Ms. MacGregor's service in the position of Interior Deputy Secretary will continue to aid in those causes. The Senate should confirm her to this position.

Sincerely,

  
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February 21, 2020

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### **RE: Katherine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Dear Madam Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

I am writing this letter in support of Katharine MacGregor for the office of Deputy Secretary of the Interior. Ms. MacGregor has been an integral part of DOI, acting as the Deputy Chief of Staff. She provides institutional knowledge from her time with the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals. She is well aware of the issues that affect the multiple uses of public lands, including energy development, wildlife, grazing, minerals and other natural resources.

As Utah is nearly 65% Federally managed, it is critical that we have a team in the DOI with an educated and capable workforce needed to coordinate and cooperate with other local & state agencies that they are tasked to work with. The key to good management on the ground, is the communication and coordination with all agencies involved. We desperately need to complete the confirmation of qualified people, like Ms. MacGregor, in the DOI.

I would like to thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
Chairman  
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Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership (TRCP) is a national conservation organization working to guarantee all American's a quality place to hunt and fish. We work collectively with our nearly 100,000 members and 60 individual partner organizations to advance conservation policies at the federal level, and much of our emphasis is placed on public lands and programs administered by the U.S. Department of the Interior. We are writing to express our support for the confirmation of Ms. Katherine MacGregor to become the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

The U.S. Department of the Interior has 10 major bureaus, 70,000 employees and manages more than 500 million acres, lands that form the backbone of the \$887 billion outdoor recreation economy and provide much of the nation's energy resources, wildlife habitat, grazing lands and minerals. Moreover, the Department manages the water for much of the western United States and has the lead responsibility to ensure that threatened and endangered species are protected and recovered.

Ms. MacGregor is clearly qualified for the Deputy Secretary position. She is currently serving as Deputy Chief of Staff, exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary. She has held numerous positions at DOI since 2017, including Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary – Lands and Minerals Management. Ms. MacGregor has also held important staff positions in the House of Representatives, and she has a strong understanding of natural resource laws and issues.

The TRCP has worked with Ms. MacGregor on various DOI initiatives, including implementation of the Secretarial Orders on hunting and fishing and advancing new policies and funding streams for migration corridors and crossings. We have found her to be accessible and willing to consider the perspectives of sportsmen and women. While we believe that the Senate has an obligation to examine the potential conflicts of interest brought on by Ms. MacGregor's private career in the energy sector, we encourage the Senate to move forward with her confirmation as Deputy Secretary.

Thank you for your consideration of our input on this important nomination for the DOI Deputy Secretary position.

Sincerely,  
Whit Fosburgh  
President and Chief Executive Officer  
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership

# URBAN *American Outdoors*

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February 19, 2020

Dear Leader McConnell:

On behalf of Urban American Outdoors (UAO), a non-governmental organization that inspires conservation stewardship among families in urban areas through national outreach and community initiatives, including a nationally syndicated TV show which reaches millions—we urge your support for the appointment of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Department of the Interior (DOI). Ms. MacGregor is highly qualified for this position due to her experience in Natural Resource Policy. Her demonstrated experience with DOI and working as the acting Deputy Secretary of the DOI makes her uniquely prepared for this position.

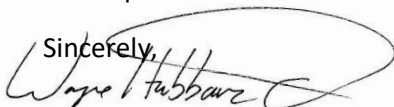
Under the leadership of Secretary Bernhardt, the DOI is working to create more opportunity and access for hunting, fishing, and recreation, as well as creating intern opportunities for diverse audiences. I know that Ms. MacGregor supports these opportunities that the DOI is moving forward, which is very important to our organization.

Urban American Outdoors feels that she is knowledgeable, capable, and undoubtedly qualified for the position in bringing a valuable experience to the DOI. She understands natural resources and the challenges that may be presented.

We give our support to Ms. MacGregor and her nomination for Deputy Secretary, and we encourage the Senate to confirm her nomination.

If we can provide further information, please feel free to contact us. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,



Wayne Hubbard

Co-Founder

# WEST VIRGINIA SHEPHERDS FEDERATION

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February 21, 2020

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**RE:Katherine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Undersecretary of the Interior**

Dear Chairwoman Murkowski And Ranking Member Manchin:

The West Virginia Shepherds Federation is our statewide organization representing Lamb, Wool, and Goat Producers across West Virginia. We are a member organization of the American Sheep Industry Association. Through our ASI contacts we have become acquainted with the challenges Lamb and Wool Producers face in the Rocky Mountain West where vast expanses of grazing land and essential water access are controlled by the United States government. Western ranchers have told me at times that they perceive the BLM's land use and water policies to have been promulgated by out of touch Washington bureaucrats. It seems that the current administration is willing to look at livestock agriculture not as an adversary but a partner in the use of our western grazing lands and water resources.

From what I have learned from my friends in the American Sheep Industry Katherine MacGregor brings not just experience and knowledge to any position she may fill but a capacity to work with all stakeholders to resolve difficult issues.

The West Virginia Shepherds Federation joins with ASI, the Public Lands Council, NCBA, Wyoming Governor Mark Gordon and other interested groups to urge the Senate to confirm Katherine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Sincerely,

  
Joseph Aucremanne  
WVSF President



November 26, 2019

The Honorable Lisa Murkowski  
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The Honorable Joe Manchin  
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Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

Western Energy Alliance strongly supports Katharine MacGregor's confirmation as the next Deputy Secretary of the Interior. We appreciate your leadership as the committee considers her nomination, and urge swift confirmation of Ms. MacGregor, whose qualifications, experience and thoughtful disposition make her an excellent choice for the role.

The Alliance represents 300 companies engaged in all aspects of environmentally responsible exploration and production of oil and natural gas in the West. Alliance members are independents, the majority of which are small businesses with an average of fifteen employees. Because our members operate in the western United States, where the vast majority of federal lands and mineral estate are located, we are particularly affected by decisions the Department of the Interior makes.

We have found Ms. MacGregor to be very effective at implementing the president's energy dominance agenda while at the Department. But her deep knowledge and experience of natural resources, environmental, energy, public lands and wildlife issues mean she also understands how to strike the balance between conservation and productive uses of public lands. She understands, and we agree, that there are many lands the Interior Department manages, national parks being the most obvious, that are appropriate for preservation only.

But there are also vast working landscapes across the West that are appropriate for multiple uses like ranching, mining, and energy development, but which must include proper protection of other resource values like wildlife, air, water, cultural artifacts and scenic vistas. We agree with her that there is a balance to be achieved on public lands, and that oil and natural gas development is part of that picture, including our outsized role in conservation and stewardship of the land.

We appreciate your leadership of the committee and Senate to ensure the confirmation of Katharine MacGregor as Deputy Secretary. Thank you for considering our voice.

Sincerely,

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Kathleen M. Sgamma  
President





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November 21, 2019

Dear Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The Women's Mining Coalition (WMC) support the nomination Katharine MacGregor to Deputy Secretary of the Interior. WMC's mission is to deliver the message to our legislators that a strong mining industry is vitally important to our nation, our communities, our families, and our livelihoods, and that today's regulations and modern technology ensure responsible stewardship of our lands. The Women's Mining Coalition facilitates and provides the opportunity for our grassroots members to band together for a stronger voice with their Congressional delegation. WMC continues to be a voice that supports "smart, safe, and sustainable mining".

Ms. MacGregor's vast experience in natural resources policy make her an excellent candidate for this position. A veteran of Capitol Hill and the Department of the Interior, she has proven a capable leader and strong executor of the Department's mission. In our dealings with her as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals Management and Deputy Chief of Staff, she has been an honest broker who listens intently to the concerns of the mining industry. We are confident that she will bring these qualities to her new role when confirmed, including improving responsible domestic energy and mineral development.

Having leaders at the Department of Interior who understand the mining industry, and the role it plays in the stewardship of America's lands and species, is vital to ensure the continuity of our national heritage.

WMC appreciates the opportunity to provide our input on behalf of our members. We urge swift confirmation of Katharine MacGregor to be Deputy Secretary of the Interior.

Kind Regards,

Sara Thorne

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WMC President

Emily Arthun

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WMC Coordinator



November 18, 2019

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**RE: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior**

Dear Madam Chairman Murkowski and Ranking Member Manchin:

The clock is ticking down on the first term of the Trump Administration. It is vital the Department of the Interior (DOI) has the confirmed personnel to efficiently administer our public lands, wildlife, minerals and waters. Being that Wyoming is 48 percent federally owned, it is important to us to have the DOI team comprised of knowledgeable, experienced and capable leaders. Kate MacGregor exceeds those qualifications.

The Deputy Secretary is a key player in the management team. I personally express my support and urge the Committee and the full Senate to take action on her nomination without undue delay.

Long before exercising the authority of the Deputy Secretary, Ms. MacGregor was instrumental in not only managing the day to day affairs of DOI as Deputy Chief of Staff, but provided expert policy advice. This knowledge came through her time with the House Energy and Natural Resources Committee, part of the transition team and as Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Land and Minerals. She clearly knows the issues surrounding energy development, wildlife, water and other natural resources. More importantly, she understands the federal government should be a good neighbor when dealing with landowners, mineral split estates and state agencies. She knows that just being the federal government is not a solution or an answer and is committed to effective consultation with the states concerning federal resources.

In short, about the only way she could be more qualified for this position would be if she grew up in Wyoming, but we are most willing and anxious to work with her on Wyoming/federal issues.

Senator Lisa Murkowski

Senator Joe Manchin

Re: Katharine MacGregor, Nominee for Deputy Secretary of the Interior

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Thank you for your consideration. If I can be of any assistance, do not hesitate to contact me or Randall Luthi in my office at [randall.luthi@wyo.gov](mailto:randall.luthi@wyo.gov).

Sincerely,



Mark Gordon  
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