

Harriet Hageman Toplines

SUMMARY: Harriet Hageman's assignment to the House Natural Resources Committee is a threat to America's public lands. Hageman is a career-opponent of conservation and public land protections who has argued that public lands shouldn't even exist. She is poised to continue this opposition as Wyoming's newly-elected At-Large Representative.

Representative Hageman has a long history of opposing public lands protections and fear mongers about commonsense public lands protections.

- Harriet Hageman supports eliminating federal public lands altogether and once gave a [keynote speech for the American Lands Council](#), the leading group advocating for transferring federal public lands.
- Harriet Hageman's opposition to public land protections in the 1990s earned her the nickname "[The Wicked Witch of the West](#)," which she embraces.
- Harriet Hageman says the Biden Administration is trying to "shut down" the oil industry to "[impose poverty across the country](#)."
- Harriet Hageman says the America the Beautiful Initiative is a "[land grab](#)."

Additionally, Harriet Hageman has deep ties to the oil industry, which could pose a conflict of interest as she works on the House Natural Resources Committee.

- Hageman makes [thousands of dollars per year from ownership of mineral rights](#) in Converse County, Wyoming.
- Hageman's spouse is an [oil and gas attorney](#) who [invests](#) in oil companies like Chevron, Exxon, and Duke Energy.
- Hageman's campaign received [\\$44,000](#) in oil and gas contributions.

Career Anti-Conservationist Harriet Hageman's Campaign For Wyoming's Only House Seat Was Financed By An Alliance Of Big Oil And Big Ag, And Supports Her Own Financial Interests

Harriet Hageman Is A Long-Time Anti-Public Lands Zealot Who Supports Eliminating Federal Public Lands

Harriet Hageman Is A Property Rights Lawyer From Cheyenne Who "Likes To Dress In Black" And Was "Proud" To Earn The Nickname "The Wicked Witch Of The West" When She Was An Opponent To The Clinton Roadless Forest Rule. [*High Country News*, [11/06/09](#)]

Hageman Supports Wholesale Transferring Federal Land To The State Of Wyoming. “Ms. Hageman also represented groups that sought to remove protections for the gray wolf under the Endangered Species Act and allow the state to manage hunting. As an unsuccessful candidate for governor in 2018, she suggested transferring one million acres of federal land to the state, which opponents warned would have led to selling off prized hunting, fishing and hiking areas.” [NY Times, [08/16/22](#)]

Harriet Hageman Gave A Keynote Address To The American Lands Council Conference In October 2016. The American Lands Council is “one of the main groups leading initiatives to transfer America’s public lands to individual states.” [YouTube, [10/28/16](#)] and [Outdoor Life, [05/03/17](#)]

- **The American Lands Council Is A Leading Voice Advocating For Wholesale Transfer Of Federal Land.** “Since 2012, the American Lands Council has raised hundreds of thousands of dollars to advocate and lobby for the transfer of federal lands to states. Such a move could dramatically change how these lands are managed, affecting anybody who makes a living in, lives near, recreates in, or simply loves the notion of public lands in the West. But who finances the demands? The Utah-based American Lands Council, or ALC, is mostly funded by memberships, the majority of which are county commissions – that is, taxpayer-funded dues.” [High Country News, [05/15/15](#)]

Representative Hageman Has Extreme Positions On Commonsense Conservation Measures

Harriet Hageman Says The Biden Administration’s Conservation Policies Are Led By “Radical Activists” Seeking To “Impose Poverty”

Then-Candidate Hageman Denounced The Biden Administration And Its “Cronies” For Weaponizing The Legal Process To “Shut Down” The Oil Industry And “Impose Poverty Across The Country.” “With sky high prices, the radical left has again weaponized the legal process to halt oil and gas development in WY. Biden and his cronies want to shut down industry, impose poverty across the country and stop our way of life. We must make changes in DC to end this madness.”



[Twitter, [@HagemanforWY](#), posted [9/11/2022](#)]

Then-Candidate Hageman Complained The Biden Administration Worked With “Radical Environmental Activists” To Jeopardize Oil And Gas Leases In Wyoming. “The Biden

administration has entered into settlement agreements with radical environmental activists in federal court, which jeopardize more than 2,000 oil and gas leases in Wyoming. The leases date from between 2015 and 2020 and represent nearly all of the leases issued under President Donald Trump's administration. The Department of the Interior will now conduct another environmental review, which could lead to the reversal of lease sales and revocation of permits."

[HagemanForWyoming.com, accessed [11/17/2022](#)]

Hageman Says The Biden Administration's America The Beautiful Conservation Initiative Is A "Land Grab"

Representative Hageman Called The Biden Administration's 30x30 Initiative A "Land Grab" And An "Egregious Overreach" When Addressing Weston County Republicans. "It was a packed house last night at the dinner in Newcastle regarding the Biden Admin's 30X30 Land Grab. We need strong leadership in Congress to stop the egregious overreach coming from Washington DC. Thank you Weston County Republican Party for the opportunity to join you."



[Twitter, [@HagemanforWY](#), posted [11/9/2021](#)]

Representative Hageman Advocated Against Conservation Easements Throughout Her Legal Career Insisting They Were A Violation Of Property Rights And Threat To Industry

Representative- Elect Hageman Said Conservation Easements Purposely Replaced Generational Ownership Of Property With That Of "Unnamed, Unaccountable" Bureaucrats From The Federal Government. "What conservation easements do is they inhibit and prevent the next generation from making the decisions that you have made, your forefathers made, and that will be in those children's best interest. The entire purpose of a conservation easement is to bring somebody else in as your partner. Not your son, daughter, nephew or cousin, but the TNC, the federal government, the FWS. You are bringing in an un-named, unaccountable person who is going to be coming onto your property and dictating what you can and cannot do," [Tri-State Livestock News, published [11/18/2011](#)]

Representative-Elect Hageman Insisted She Was Not Entirely Opposed To Conservation Easements Just The Fact Many Lasted “Forever,” Which She Believed Posed An Existential Threat To The Agricultural Industry. “Despite how it sounds, I am actually not opposed to the concept of conservation easements. What I am opposed to is perpetual conservation easement – which means forever. In Wyoming, that is defined at 999 years. It is wrong that we have government agencies and individuals making decisions today that will be in effect in the year 2593... The right to make decisions regarding the use of your private property is perhaps the most powerful tool you have. If you don’t like being energy dependent, you do not want to be food dependent. People in 1642 had no idea what we would be doing in 2015, and we have no idea what people will be doing in 2563. For what is a minimal amount of money over that many years, a conservation easement could eliminate your ability to make decisions that ensure your operation, or the agriculture industry as a whole, is able to survive.” [Tri-State Livestock News, published [1/22/2015](#)]

Harriet Hageman Has Deep Ties To The Oil Industry– She Makes Thousands Dollars A Year Leasing Her Mineral Rights And Is Married To An Oil Attorney With Investments In Big Oil

Representative-Elect Hageman Makes \$5K-\$15K Per Year From Ownership Of Oil And Mineral Rights In Converse County, Wyoming

From January To May 2022, Hageman Made \$5K - \$15K From 3% Interest In Land/Oil And Mineral Rights In Converse County, WY, An Asset Worth An “Undetermined” Amount. [Legistorm, Hageman Personal Financial Disclosures, accessed [11/28/22](#)]

In 2021, Hageman Made \$5K - \$15K From 3% Interest In Land/Oil And Mineral Rights In Converse County, WY. [Legistorm, Hageman Personal Financial Disclosures, accessed [11/28/22](#)]

2020: Hageman Received \$2,501 - \$5,000 From Her 3% Interest In Land/Oil And Mineral Rights In Converse County, WY. [Legistorm, Hageman Personal Financial Disclosures, accessed [11/28/22](#)]

Representative-Elect Harriet Hageman Received Over Tens Of Thousands of Dollars In Campaign Contributions From The Oil Industry

In 2022, Representative-Elect Hageman Received \$44,068 In Campaign Contributions From The Oil & Gas Industry. [OpenSecrets, accessed [11/17/2022](#)]

Representative-Elect Hageman’s Husband Holds Up To \$105K In Oil, Gas, and Energy Stock And Made As Much As \$8,200 In Capital Gains In The First 5 Months Of 2022

Hageman’s Husband Holds Between \$7,007 And \$105,000 Of Stock In Oil And Gas Companies.

Oil, Gas, and Energy Holdings	Value of Asset		Value of Income (Current Year To Filing)	
	Minimum	Maximum	Minimum	Maximum

Chevron Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$1,001	\$2,500
Dominion Energy, Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$1	\$200
Duke Energy Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$201	\$1,000
Exxon Mobil Corporation	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$1,001	\$2,500
NextEra Energy Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	None	None
Williams Companies Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$201	\$1,000
Xcel Energy Inc	\$1,001	\$15,000	\$201	\$1,000
TOTAL	\$7,007	\$105,000	\$2,606	\$8,200

[Harriet Hageman, Personal Financial Disclosure, [05/14/22](#)]

Hageman And Her Husband Made Between \$2,606 And \$8,200 In Capital Gains In The First 5 Months Of 2022 From Oil & Gas Holdings. [Harriet Hageman, Personal Financial Disclosure, [05/14/22](#)]

Hageman's Husband Is An Oil & Gas Attorney

John Sundahl, Hageman's Husband, Is An Oil & Gas Attorney. "Although much of his practice is devoted to defense of personal injury and medical malpractice cases, [John Sundahl] is also actively involved in the fields of insurance disputes, bad faith, environmental litigation, public utilities, oil and gas, railroads, land disputes, condemnation, industrial and wind permitting, employment, and banking. In addition to practicing in all courts throughout the State of Wyoming, Mr. Sundahl also regularly appears before numerous administrative agencies, including the Wyoming Public Service Commission, the Environmental Quality Council, the State Board of Equalization, and the Wyoming Oil and Gas Conservation Commission, among others. John is married to Harriet Hageman." [Sundahl Powers Kapp & Martin LLC, accessed [12/06/22](#)]

Sundahl Represented Oil & Gas Giant Sinclair Oil Corp. "Reported Cases: [...] Sinclair Oil Corp. v. Wyo. Dep't of Revenue, 2010 WY 122; 238 P.3d 568 (Wyo. 2010) [...] Sinclair Oil Corp. v. Wyoming Public Service Commission, 2003 WY 22; 63 P.3d 887 (Wyo. 2003)." [Sundahl Powers Kapp & Martin LLC, accessed [12/06/22](#)]