

Yellowstone IS MORE VALUABLE THAN GOLD

BUSINESS COALITION ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING REPORT

Thanks to all who attended our first-ever Yellowstone Gateway Business Coalition membership meeting at Chico Hot Springs on Sunday, October 8th! It was excellent to gather together and welcome our guests Gene Stenz of Choteau, MT who worked to pass legislation protecting the Rocky Mountain Front, and lobbyist George Cooper who traveled from Washington D.C. We're grateful for their time and willingness to share their knowledge.

After this meeting, the Yellowstone Gateway Business Coalition (YGBC) remains united to permanently protect our public lands from gold mines and is working to pass the Yellowstone Gateway Protection Act (S. 941). We feel optimistic that if our delegation is united, this bill will pass—possibly even before the end of the year.



Right now, we have an important window of opportunity. Many of you have already contacted Congressman Gianforte asking him to introduce an identical companion bill to the Yellowstone Gateway Protection Act. THANK YOU. Business Coalition members received a commitment from Senator Daines in August that he would provide clarity around his position by November 1. We look forward to hearing details of his support for permanent protection and will be in touch in the coming weeks with further information.

UPCOMING MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS

For those who were unable to make it to Chico Hot Springs for our meeting, we're holding meetings in Bozeman and Livingston in the coming weeks. Please join us Thursday, November 2nd at Wild Joe's Coffee Spot in Bozeman and in Livingston at Timber Trails 11th Annual Backcountry Film Festival on November 16th.

This is a time to hear more of what was discussed at our membership meeting, and learn what our work looks like through the end of the year. As with our meeting at Chico, come with your questions to our open house portion, check our maps, and get all the latest info. The meeting and presentation portions will specifically focus on the details of our path to pass legislation for permanent protection.

Photo Above: Chico Hot Springs Resort owner and YGBC founder Colin Davis speaking at the Annual Membership Meeting on October 8, 2017.

Miss the Membership Meeting?
Join us at one of these
community open houses

Thursday, November 2nd
Bozeman, MT

@ Wild Joe's Coffee Spot
18 West Main St.

5:00pm to 6:00pm - open house
6 to 7 pm - presentation with Q & A

Thursday, November 16th
Livingston, MT

@ Livingston Depot Center
200 East Park St.

5:00pm to 7:00pm - open house
YGBC presentation at 6:45pm