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Western Local Officials Thrilled Tracy Stone-Manning Confirmed as Director of the Bureau of Land Management

DURANGO, CO -- Today the U.S. Senate confirmed Tracy Stone-Manning as the new Director of the Bureau of Land Management. [The Mountain Pact](#) network of Western U.S. local elected officials released the following statements:

Anna Peterson, Executive Director of The Mountain Pact said, "We are thrilled that such a qualified leader has finally been confirmed as the Director of such an important agency like the Bureau of Land Management. In serving in a variety of leadership roles over the last twenty years, Tracy has proven she is eminently qualified to lead the Bureau of Land Management and she knows what local elected officials and communities need. She is committed to ensuring a balanced approach to land management - one informed by science and robust public participation. I am confident based on her record that she will work with diverse stakeholders and be an effective advocate for the conservation of America's public lands. We are lucky to have her in this role."

"I've known Tracy Stone-Manning for many years. She is the ideal person to direct the Bureau of Land Management because she's collaborative, patient and smart," said **Missoula County, Montana Commissioner Juanita Vero.**

"Montana has been lucky to have her working for us and future generations for decades. As a Westerner, former state official, congressional staffer and senior policy adviser, Tracy understands the unique challenges facing the Bureau of Land Management and has brought people together to solve difficult problems. We are honored to share her with the rest of the country."

City of Bozeman, Montana Mayor Cynthia Andrus said, "There could hardly be a more qualified and accomplished person to lead the Bureau of Land Management as fellow Montanan Tracy Stone-Manning. Tracy has impressed many of us during her long career advocating for the sensible stewardship of our nation's public lands and waters. In all of her roles, she's demonstrated that she has the quintessential qualities of a great leader. We know she has what it takes to successfully lead the agency. I am overjoyed that the U.S. Senate has finally confirmed her."

City of Reno, Nevada Council Member Devon Reese said, "Public lands and especially Bureau of Land Management lands are important to Nevadans and Renoites. After not having a properly confirmed BLM director in nearly five years, I am overjoyed with the news of Tracy Stone-Manning, a proven collaborative leader, being confirmed by the Senate as the new Director of the Bureau of Land Management."

Eagle County, Colorado County Commissioner Matt Scherr said, "Tracy Stone-Manning will bring stability and vision to the Bureau of Land Management and I am overjoyed at her confirmation by the U.S. Senate today. The collaborative approach she has been known for throughout her career will be an asset to the Bureau. Our public lands are facing overcrowding and record visitation, showing that we need more places for our families and communities to gather outdoors to maintain our health and happiness. BLM manages more than 8.3 million acres of land in Colorado and they are a critical part of our state's economy. I am grateful we now have a qualified leader to run one of our most critical land management agencies."

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Founded in 2014, [The Mountain Pact](#) mobilizes local elected officials in over 80 Western mountain communities with outdoor recreation based economies to speak with a collective voice on federal climate, public lands, and outdoor recreation policy.