

Wyoming Secretary of State  
Chuck Gray



March 7, 2024

*Via U.S. Mail and Electronic Submission*

Honorable Louis DeJoy  
Postmaster General  
United States Postal Service  
475 L'Engant Plaza SW, Room 10300  
Washington, DC 20260

***Re: USPS Review and Proposal Concerning Casper Processing and Distribution Center***

Dear Postmaster General DeJoy:

These comments pertain to the United States Postal Service's mail processing facility review of processing operations at the Casper Processing and Distribution Center and the Postal Service's proposal to move mail processing operations from the Casper Processing and Distribution Center to the Billings Processing and Distribution Center. As Wyoming Secretary of State, I oppose this proposal. I'm concerned about how it will delay the delivery of all mail. Along with other aspects of the proposal that I find troubling, I'm also concerned that this proposal threatens the integrity of our electoral process and delays the processing of election mail. **I request the Postal Service withdraw its proposal.**<sup>1</sup> As I have repeatedly said, it is crucial that Wyoming mail is processed in Wyoming.

As the chief election officer for the State of Wyoming, I am tasked with maintaining uniformity in the application and operation of the election laws of Wyoming. Since the Postal Service announced this proposal to move mail processing operations from Casper to Billings, as well as its proposal to move mail processing operations from the Cheyenne Processing and Distribution Center to the Denver Processing and Distribution Center, my office has been contacted by numerous Wyomingites, concerned that processing Wyoming election mail outside the state of Wyoming would delay delivery of mail-in ballots and otherwise impede the integrity of the upcoming 2024 Election. I share these same concerns, and I view these repeated and disturbing proposals to move mail processing outside the state of Wyoming as detrimental to Wyoming elections and the people of Wyoming.

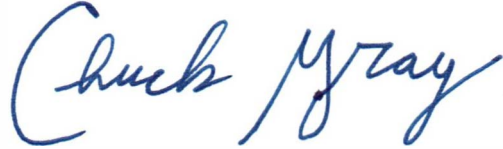
In December, I asked to receive clarification as to the status of Wyoming election mail under the Postal Service's proposals. The 2024 election is fast approaching. To date, I have not yet received any guarantee that these sweeping changes would not delay election mail delivery in Wyoming, and we have not received any update on exactly how election mail will be handled.

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<sup>1</sup> On December 27, 2023, I submitted a similar comment opposing the Postal Service's proposal to move mail processing operations from the Cheyenne Processing and Distribution Center to the Denver Processing and Distribution Center, citing many of these same concerns.

For the foregoing reasons, I request the Postal Service withdraw its proposal as written, and ensure that Wyoming election mail is processed within the confines of Wyoming. Given the gravity of these concerns, I also would like to meet with you regarding these concerns.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Chuck Gray". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "C" and a stylized "G".

Chuck Gray  
Wyoming Secretary of State