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## Secretary Gray Thanks Counties for Ending Ballot Drop Boxes in 2024 Election Cycle

CHEYENNE, WY – With the Absentee Voting period for the 2024 General Election beginning on October 8th, fewer Wyoming counties are using drop boxes than previous election cycles. Park County and Sheridan County have each discontinued their use of ballot drop boxes for the 2024 Primary and General Elections. Secretary Gray previously <u>rescinded directives</u> issued by previous Secretary of State Ed Buchanan in 2020 allowing ballot drop boxes.

"With the absentee voting period underway, I want to thank both Park County and Sheridan County for discontinuing the use of drop boxes for the 2024 Election Cycle," Secretary of State Chuck Gray said. "I continue to maintain that drop boxes are not a safe, secure, or statutory basis for absentee voting. The security issues around drop boxes in both Washington State and Oregon have shown once again that ballot drop boxes are not secure. I will continue to stand for election integrity. As Wyoming Secretary of State, I will continue to oppose their use in Wyoming counties, and look forward to working with the Wyoming Legislature to ban ballot drop boxes in Wyoming."

For information on the absentee voting period, Voter ID requirements, and more for the 2024 Election Cycle, visit <a href="https://www.letsvotewyo.org">www.letsvotewyo.org</a>.

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