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Subject: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Date: Mon, 17 Feb 2025 18:20:49 +0000

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**Breakfast Meeting
With Cabinet Officials
Saturday, February 22, 2025
8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST**

Run of Show

Event

WGA Governors breakfast meeting with Cabinet officials

Location (REVISED)

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Department of the Interior
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State Security Detail:		
Name	State / Territory	
Justin McGladrey	Oregon	
Richard Olsen	Oregon	
Kristina Perrizo	Oregon	
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Captain George Hansen	Utah	
Lieutenant Brian Peterson	Utah	
Trooper Weldon Butterfield	Utah	
Dan Podzimek	South Dakota	
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DOE staff (accompanying Secretary Wright)		
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Attachments: Invoice_20192251-2.pdf

Inline-Images: image001.png; image002.png; image003.jpg

Hi Ashley – attached is the final invoice for the WGA breakfast tomorrow morning (2/22/25) at DOI. Thanks!

Sarah Olsen

Director of Development

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SAVE THE DATE: WGA 2025 Annual Meeting | June 23-25, 2025 | Santa Fe, NM

From: "Johnson, Ashley A" <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>

Date: Friday, February 21, 2025 at 12:01 PM

To: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hey Sarah,

Thank you! Any chance you have an invoice or receipt that we can share with our legal team?

Thanks!

Ashley Johnson

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From: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

Sent: Friday, February 21, 2025 11:58:38 AM

To: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>; Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Toni Vigil <tvigil@westgov.org>; Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>

Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hi Ashley and Danny –

Troy asked me to send you the per person cost for the WGA breakfast tomorrow being held at DOI. The per person cost for this breakfast event is approximately \$48++/pp.

Please let us know if you need any other information provided.

Thank you!
Sarah

Sarah Olsen

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From: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>

Date: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 at 4:47 PM

To: "Johnson, Ashley A" <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>, "Gustafson, Daniel G" <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>, Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>, Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

And...didn't include the ROS earlier. Apologies!

From: Troy Timmons

Sent: Wednesday, February 19, 2025 16:22

To: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>; Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>; Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hi all:

Attached is the updated list – we may still get a few more, but hopefully it's pretty complete at this point.

So you don't have to dig through it, the additions since last night:

Cabinet:

- Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency Lee Zeldin

Governors:

- Governor Jared Polis of Colorado
- Governor Kelly Armstrong of North Dakota

State Staff:

- Colorado: Kelly Watkins, Olivia Neece
- North Dakota: Aaron Weber
- Washington: Rose Minor

Also attached is the latest run of show doc. Holler if you see there's anything missing in it.

Nice to get over there this afternoon and see the space. This is going to be a fun and memorable meeting for everyone!

I'll let you know if we get more stragglers. Thanks, everyone, for all your work on this.
Troy

From: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 21:53
To: Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>; Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>
Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>; Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Haha not sure I would have loved it but sounds like home with the week they're having in ND!

Should not be an issue to get caterers in early but I'll double check on that tomorrow.

Thanks for the list and let me know what else you need from us! Have our facilities team working on a plan for the table and need to work out a few logistics but things are looking great!

Best,

Ashley Johnson

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From: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 8:54:08 PM
To: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>; Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; kdoran@westgov.org <kdoran@westgov.org>; Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hey Ashley:

Safe flight, but pretty miserable. They clearly forgot how to heat the aircraft, and it was -71 outside (well, that's what the flight data thing said). With your North Dakota roots, you would have loved it, but everyone on my row, at least, was bundled up in coats, hats, and gloves. Quite uncomfortable.

On to actual stuff: sounds like we're on track, and moving ahead with Allspice for food. Sarah Olsen, who will be joining us Saturday and is copied here, is taking lead on that outreach for now. One question we've got is how early the caterers can get in there for setup; in the past, we've done that at least a couple of hours in advance (so, like 6:00 am would be great, if that works for everyone). Sarah may have additional questions, but I'll let her pose those.

Danny gave me instructions on Govs bios and possible Qs, which I'll deliver separately.

One thing I promised you today is a list of attendees for security. That's attached as an Excel file; if you need more information than what we've got here, let me know. I'll also get you a list by 6:00 pm tomorrow with any additional folks.

Thanks; please holler if you need anything else!
Troy

From: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 19:12
To: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>; Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hope you all had a safe flight! Happy to chat this evening if needed.

Thanks!

Ashley

From: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>
Sent: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 11:35 AM
To: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>; Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; kdoran@westgov.org
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hey Ashley:
We'll get on it – much appreciated!
Kevin and I are about to jump on a plane to get out there, but happy to bug you more later today.
Thanks,
Troy

From: Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2025 14:59
To: Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>; Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>
Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

Hi Troy!

Apologies for the late response - had to make sure we were following procedures on our end and took a while for staff to locate formerly used caterers. Sounds like we are good to use Allspice or any of these folks, will leave the decision to you!

Occasions
<https://occasionscaterers.com/>

Root and Stem
<https://rootandstemdc.com/>

La Prima
<https://www.laprimacatering.com/>

Other than that, we're still working with facilities to make sure we have a good set up in the Secretary's Office and also waiting on confirmation on a photographer in our end, will follow back up on that tomorrow. Let me know what else you need from us!

Best,

Ashley Johnson

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From: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>
Sent: Monday, February 17, 2025 1:20:49 PM

To: Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>; Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>
Cc: Amanda Nelson <amanda@westgov.org>; kdoran@westgov.org <kdoran@westgov.org>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday

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Hi Danny and Ashley:

Hope everything is going well, and that we're still on track to have the Governors over there on Saturday.

A few updates:

See the latest run of show for the list of Governors and Cabinet attending – we're up to 11 Governors and 3 Cabinet members. And thanks for your help with outreach to those folks – it's really appreciated! At this point, we've also got 19 staff RSVPs, so at least 30 folks trying to get in your door, not including security detail. We'll get you the current list at some point tomorrow, and let you know of any additional folks by 6:00 pm EST on Wednesday, as previously discussed. I'm sure we'll get some stragglers Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sorry if there was confusion around the question of a side room / overflow room. From our initial conversation, it sounded like you were planning to have some space not in the Secretary's office for food setup and with some chairs for staff if everyone couldn't fit. From Kevin, it sounded like that plan had changed. I just want to make sure we've got room for everyone, even if it's not in the actual room. If you look at the run of show, we're not promising that folks will be able to see or hear conversation in the Secretary's office, just that they'll have some proximity to what's going on.

I still haven't heard back on catering options. If it's useful, we used [Allspice Catering](#) last time DOI hosted the Governors. We're happy to reach out to them; just let us know if that's alright and we'll go from there.

Have a good Presidents Day, and we're looking forward to seeing you later this week!
Troy

Troy Timmons

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DATE 02/22/2025

DUE DATE 02/18/2025

TERMS Due on receipt

SHIP DATE	SHIP VIA	TRACKING NO.	DELIVERY DAY	DELIVERY TIME	PO #
02/22/2025	VAN	Email	Saturday LEIDY	6:30 AM	20250218WGA

PRODUCT/SERVICE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	RATE	AMOUNT
	Western Governors' Association Breakfast with Secretary of Interior - 45 Guests			
HEARTY AMERICAN BREAKFAST	Hearty American Breakfast to Include: ~ Scrambled Eggs ~ Hickory Smoked Bacon ~ Turkey Sausage Links ~ Breakfast Potatoes w/ Peppers & Onions ~ Biscuits w/ Fresh Jam & Butter	45	13.10	589.50T
Sliced Fruit Tray	Sliced Seasonal Fruit to include Honeydew & Cantaloupe Melon, Pineapple, Strawberries & Grapes	45	6.00	270.00T
CREME BRULEE FRENCH TOAST	Creme Brulee French Toast- Egg Custard Soaked Challah Browned & Baked with Cinnamon Topping	24	10.10	242.40T
TRADITIONAL OATMEAL	Traditional Oatmeal- Serves 10pp ~Natural oats, accompanied with brown sugar, raisins, Chocolate Chips and sliced almonds.	24	5.46	131.04T
BAKERY BASKET	A Tasty Selection of Breakfast Breads, Pastries & Bagels. Includes assorted WHOLE GRAIN breads, sweet rolls, and bagels. ~ Accompanied w/ Sweet Cream Butter & Fruit Preserves ** (2) Pieces Per Person **	24	6.30	151.20T
Freshly Squeezed Orange Juice	Freshly Squeezed Florida Orange Juice	45	2.50	112.50T
Beverages	Bottled Waters	45	2.20	99.00T
Coffee & Tea Service	Regular Coffee and Hot Tea ~ Coffee Cream and Sugars ~ Assorted Tea Bags ~ Sliced Lemons ~ Coffee Cups and Stirrer Sticks ~ Coffee Urns (2) Regular Coffee	45	2.80	126.00T

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From: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

To: Leidy Omonte <(b)(6) Information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy >

Cc: Allspice Catering <info@allspicecatering.com>, Daniel G Gustafson <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>, Ashley A Johnson <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>, Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] Re: Breakfast Catering

Date: Sat, 22 Feb 2025 11:27:02 +0000

Importance: Normal

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Hi all - the caterer has arrived at DOI and needs to know where they can load in.

Ashley/Danny - can you please advise or contact Fernando at (b)(6) to assist?

Thank you!
Sarah

Sent from my iPhone

On Feb 21, 2025, at 9:50 PM, Leidy Omonte <(b)(6) Information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy > wrote:

Good Evening Sarah , this is the name and number of the our captain for this event :

Diego Quiroga

(b)(6)

Just in case . Thank you .

El feb 21, 2025, a las 11:57 a.m., Allspice Catering <info@allspicecatering.com> escribió:

Thank you Sarah!

We'll be there 6:30 AM to have proper time for setup.

Gus

On 2/21/25 11:51 AM, Sarah Olsen wrote:

Hi Gus and Leidy – by way of this email, I'm connecting you/Allspice Catering with Danny Gustafson and Ashley Johnson at DOI. They are WGA's primary contacts at Dept. of Interior for tomorrow morning's WGA

breakfast event. I wanted to make sure I put the DOI team in touch with the catering team, in case there are any follow-up needs or questions.

Thanks to all and we look forward to a great event tomorrow morning at DOI!

Sarah

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SAVE THE DATE: WGA 2025 Annual Meeting | June 23-25, 2025 | Santa Fe, NM

From: Leidy Omonte <

(b)(6): information that, if disclosed, would invade another individual's personal privacy

Date: Thursday, February 20, 2025 at 10:17 AM

To: Allspice Catering <info@allspicecatering.com>

Cc: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>, Toni Vigil <tvigil@westgov.org>

Subject: Re: Breakfast Catering

Good morning, the staff is ready and confirmed for Saturday. Thank you.

El El jue, feb 20, 2025 a la(s) 10:01 a.m., Allspice Catering <info@allspicecatering.com> escribió:

Sarah/Toni, I can only imagine your workload now towards the meeting Saturday. Watched the Governors on morning TV shows talking about it.

I'm pressing ahead with the revised order sent last night. If something needs revision simply shoot me an email. But have to make sure equipment and staffing is lined up.

We got you for Saturday. Don't want you guys worried about food.

Gus.

Team Allspice

Allspice Catering

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To: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>, "Gustafson, Daniel G" <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>, "Johnson, Ashley A" <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Breakfast Catering

Date: Fri, 21 Feb 2025 16:55:57 +0000

Importance: Normal

Attachments: 2025_WGA-Cabinet_Breakfast_run_of_show_final.pdf

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And Danny and Ashley:

Here's what we think/hope is the final run of show for tomorrow. It's essentially unchanged from the last version you've seen.

Ashley: Sarah will follow up separately on the catering cost per head.

Holler if you need anything else from us!

Thanks,
Troy

From: Sarah Olsen <solsen@westgov.org>

Sent: Friday, February 21, 2025 11:52

To: Leidy Omonte <(b)(6)>; Allspice Catering <info@allspicecatering.com>

Cc: Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>; Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>; Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>

Subject: Re: Breakfast Catering

Importance: High

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Gus.



**Breakfast Meeting
With Cabinet Officials
Saturday, February 22, 2025
8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST**

Run of Show

Event

WGA Governors breakfast meeting with Cabinet officials

Location

Secretary's Suite
Department of the Interior
1849 C Street NW
Washington, DC 20240

Please enter at the C Street entrance, between 18th and 19th Streets NW.

For security screening purposes, attendees' names, including security detail, must be submitted to DOI by 5:00 pm EST on Wednesday, February 19. Please RSVP to [Toni Vigil](mailto:tvigil@westgov.org) (tvigil@westgov.org) at WGA, who will compile attendee information and submit it to DOI.

The breakfast will be held in the Secretary's office, which has limited space. Each WGA state and territory is permitted one staff to attend the breakfast. Each attending Governor and Cabinet member is permitted one staff member. If any state or territory would like additional staff to attend, it is likely they will be denied entry to the Secretary's office. DOI is planning to have an overflow room available for staff, but that space will not be physically connected to the Secretary's office, nor will audio or visuals of the meeting be available in the overflow room.

Time

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST, Saturday, February 22, 2025

Purpose

The meeting provides an opportunity for assembled Governors and Cabinet members to have an off-the-record, informal conversation on issues of mutual interest and seek opportunities for state-federal collaboration on shared priorities.

Notes

Business attire is recommended.

There will be no audio or video recording of the event, nor will any media be present. Attendees may reference the meeting on their social media platforms, but reference to any items discussed at the meeting should be agreed to beforehand by all parties.

There will be a group photograph taken at the conclusion of the event. Digital copies will be made available to all attendees.

Each Governor and Cabinet official is permitted one staff member to attend the meeting. Governors and Cabinet officials will be seated at a main table. Table tents will identify the seating arrangement. Non-attending Governors will be permitted one staff to attend on the Governor's behalf. All staff will occupy perimeter seating.

Attendees

Confirmed attendees (as of 2/19/25)

Administration participants:

- Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum
- Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins
- Secretary of Energy Chris Wright
- Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency Lee Zeldin

Governors attending:

- Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico, WGA Chair
- Governor Spencer Cox of Utah, WGA Vice Chair
- Governor Mike Dunleavy of Alaska
- Governor Jared Polis of Colorado
- Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero of Guam
- Governor Josh Green of Hawai'i
- Governor Brad Little of Idaho
- Governor Greg Gianforte of Montana
- Governor Kelly Armstrong of North Dakota
- Governor Arnold Palacios, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
- Governor Tina Kotek of Oregon
- Governor Larry Rhoden of South Dakota
- Governor Mark Gordon of Wyoming

Run of Show (times approximate)

8:00 a.m.

Buffet breakfast is available.

8:15 a.m.

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, WGA Chair, will call the meeting to order.

Governor Lujan Grisham will offer greetings and short opening comments.

8:20 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will recognize WGA Vice Chair and Utah Governor Spencer Cox for short opening comments.

8:25 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will recognize each attending Governor for short comments (2-3 minutes). Governor Lujan Grisham will simply go around the table, recognizing Governors in turn.

As Governors raise different issues, Cabinet officials (and Governors) should feel free to engage in conversation as needed.

9:00 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will recognize each attending Cabinet official for short comments (3-4 minutes). Governor Lujan Grisham will recognize Cabinet officials in order of precedence.

As Cabinet officials raise different issues, Governors (and Cabinet officials) should feel free to engage in conversation as needed.

9:15 a.m.

Additional open discussion. Governor Lujan Grisham will manage and moderate as needed.

9:25 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will conclude the meeting. Governors and Cabinet officials will assemble for a group photo.

9:30 a.m.

Event complete.

From: Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>

To: "Gustafson, Daniel G" <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>, "Johnson, Ashley A" <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>

Cc: Troy Timmons <ttimmons@westgov.org>

Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] WGA Cabinet Breakfast at Dept of Interior - 2/22

Date: Fri, 14 Feb 2025 06:29:32 +0000

Importance: Normal

Attachments: 2025_WGA_Cabinet_breakfast_agenda_v3.pdf; 2025_WGA-Cabinet_Breakfast_run_of_show_v5.pdf

Inline-Images: image001.jpg; image002.jpg

Good evening, Danny.

First, we heard tonight from the offices of DOE Secretary Wright and USDA Secretary Rollins that their bosses will be attending the breakfast, so thank you for any outreach you did to their offices on our behalf.

Second, this evening I reached out to the IGA and/or scheduling teams at DHS, DoD, DOT, EPA, and Treasury, to let them know of the updated venue (DOI) for the breakfast and sent them relevant information. I know my colleague Troy previously asked if you wouldn't mind reaching out to DHS Secretary Noem and EPA Administrator Zeldin about attending, since they've been invited but we've not heard from them on a confirmation yet. We have not officially invited OMB Director Vought (who Troy also asked if you could reach out to) since we do not have contact information for anyone in their IGA and/or scheduling office (but I did ask Alex Meyer, Director of the White House Office of Intergovernmental Affairs, for that contact information and am awaiting a name), so if you have a contact over at OMB that you could send the invite to it would be greatly appreciated.

To facilitate outreach to the aforementioned agencies, I have included a sample copy of the email I sent to DHS, DoD, DOT, EPA, and Treasury this evening (see below), as well as the latest breakfast agenda and run of show (see attached), so you will have all the same language we are using in our outreach. I figure if we're both using the same language for outreach and hitting the above-mentioned agencies from two sides (WGA and DOI), it gives us a better chance to drive attendance amongst the Secretary's colleagues.

If you need anything else for your outreach, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Thanks, and I look forward to meeting you in person next week.

Kevin

Sample copy of email I just sent DHS, DoD, DOT, EPA, and Treasury:

Good evening.

I wanted to provide you with an important update about the Annual WGA Breakfast Meeting with Cabinet Officials. Interior Secretary (and former Western Governor) Doug Burgum has graciously offered to hold the Breakfast Meeting at the Department of the Interior (DOI), and WGA has accepted.

The date and time of the breakfast meeting has not changed, but the location and some important information has. Below you will find a summary of the changes and updates to the Breakfast:

- *New breakfast location:*

*U.S. Department of the Interior
Secretary's Suite
C Street Entrance (between 18th and 19th Streets)*

1849 C St NW
Washington, DC 20240

- *New Deadline for RSVP: COB Wednesday, Feb. 19, 2025. For DOI internal security notification and screening purposes, all attendees' names must be submitted to DOI by 5:00 pm EST on Wednesday, February 19. Please RSVP to [Toni Vigil \(toni.vigil@westgov.org\)](mailto:toni.vigil@westgov.org) at WGA, who will compile attendee information and submit it to DOI.*
- *Latest Governor and Cabinet Secretary attendees:*
 - *As of 2/13/25, the following Governors will be in attendance:*
 - Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico, WGA Chair
 - Governor Spencer Cox of Utah, WGA Vice Chair
 - Governor Mike Dunleavy of Alaska
 - Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero of Guam
 - Governor Josh Green of Hawaii
 - Governor Brad Little of Idaho
 - Governor Greg Gianforte of Montana
 - Governor Arnold Palacios, Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands
 - Governor Tina Kotek of Oregon
 - Governor Larry Rhoden of South Dakota
 - Governor Mark Gordon of Wyoming
 - *As of 2/13/25, the following Cabinet officials will be in attendance:*
 - Secretary Doug Burgum, Department of the Interior
 - Secretary Chris Wright, Department of Energy
 - Secretary Brooke Rollins, Department of Agriculture
 - *WGA is still awaiting RSVPs from several other Governors and Cabinet officials and expects to have additional names in the coming week (which is normal timing for this annual event).*
- *Staff attendee update: Due to room size constraints in the Interior Secretary's suite, the "one staff member for each principal present in the room" restriction will be strictly enforced. However, DOI is planning to have an overflow room available for additional staff present, but that space will not be physically connected to the Secretary's suite, nor will audio or visuals of the meeting be available in that overflow room.*
- *DOI contact information (for assistance with security, advance, and general questions): Danny Gustafson - Deputy Director, Intergovernmental and External Affairs/Special Assistant to the Secretary, U.S. Department of the Interior, M: 202-417-1551, daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov*
- *Miscellaneous*
 - *The Governors and Cabinet Officials will now sit around a hollow round table and table tents will identify the seating arrangement.*
 - *Staff permitted in the room will occupy perimeter seating.*
 - *There will be a group photograph taken at the conclusion of the event. Digital copies will be made available to all attendees.*
 - *Updated Draft Agenda and Run of Show are attached.*

If the changes above require me to resubmit your office's scheduling request form, please let me know and I will do so ASAP. We very much appreciate your understanding and flexibility with this venue change, and if there is any other information you need due to these changes, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Thank you and have a good evening.

Kevin

From: Gustafson, Daniel G <daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 13, 2025 3:18 PM
To: Kevin Doran <kdoran@westgov.org>; Johnson, Ashley A <ashley_johnson@ios.doi.gov>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] WGA Cabinet Breakfast at Dept of Interior - 2/22

You don't often get email from daniel_gustafson@ios.doi.gov. [Learn why this is important](#)
Hey Kevin,

Thanks for reaching out. I can be the point of contact you list for the other agencies and their advance and security teams.

Danny Gustafson
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202-417-1551

Let me know if there's anything else you need.

Best,

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With Cabinet Officials
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Run of Show

Event

WGA Governors breakfast meeting with Cabinet officials

Location (REVISED)

Secretary's Suite
Department of the Interior
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Washington, DC 20240

Please enter at the C Street entrance, between 18th and 19th Streets.

For security screening purposes, attendees' names must be submitted to DOI by 5:00 pm EST on Wednesday, February 19. Please RSVP to [Toni Vigil \(tvigil@westgov.org\)](mailto:tvigil@westgov.org) at WGA, who will compile attendee information and submit it to DOI.

The breakfast will be held in the Secretary's office, which has limited space. Each WGA state and territory is permitted one staff to attend the breakfast. Each attending Governor and Cabinet member is permitted one staff member. If any state or territory would like additional staff to attend, it is likely they will be denied entry to the Secretary's office. DOI is planning to have an overflow room available for staff, but that space will not be physically connected to the Secretary's office, nor will audio or visuals of the meeting be available in the overflow room.

Time

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST, Saturday, February 22, 2025

Purpose

The meeting provides an opportunity for assembled Governors and Cabinet members to have an off-the-record, informal conversation on issues of mutual interest and seek opportunities for state-federal collaboration on shared priorities.

Notes

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There will be a group photograph taken at the conclusion of the event. Digital copies will be made available to all attendees.

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Attendees

Confirmed attendees (as of 2/13/25, prior to location change)

Administration participants:

- Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum
- Secretary of Energy Chris Wright
- Secretary of Agriculture Brooke Rollins

Governors attending:

- Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico, WGA Chair
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Run of Show (times approximate)

8:00 a.m.

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8:15 a.m.

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Event complete.

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**Breakfast Meeting
With Cabinet Officials
Saturday, February 22, 2025
8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST**

Run of Show

Event

WGA Governors breakfast meeting with Cabinet officials

Location

Grand Hyatt Hotel, Room Declaration A
1000 H Street NW
Washington, DC 20001

Time

8:00 – 9:30 a.m. EST, Saturday, February 22, 2025

Purpose

The meeting provides an opportunity for assembled Governors and Cabinet members to have an off-the-record, informal conversation on issues of mutual interest and seek opportunities for state-federal collaboration on shared priorities.

Notes

There will be no audio or video recording of the event, nor will any media be present. Attendees may reference the meeting on their social media platforms, but reference to any items discussed at the meeting should be agreed to beforehand by all parties.

There will be a group photograph taken at the conclusion of the event. Digital copies will be made available to all attendees.

Each Governor and Cabinet official is permitted one staff member to attend the meeting. Governors and Cabinet officials will be seated at a hollow round table. Table tents will identify the seating arrangement. Staff will occupy perimeter seating.

Attendees

Confirmed attendees (as of 2/12/25)

Administration participants:

- Secretary of the Interior Doug Burgum

Governors attending:

- Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham of New Mexico, WGA Chair
- Governor Spencer Cox of Utah, WGA Vice Chair
- Governor Lourdes Leon Guerrero of Guam
- Governor Brad Little of Idaho
- Governor Greg Gianforte of Montana
- Governor Tina Kotek of Oregon
- Governor Larry Rhoden of South Dakota
- Governor Mark Gordon of Wyoming

Run of Show (times approximate)

8:00 a.m.

Buffet breakfast is available.

8:15 a.m.

New Mexico Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham, WGA Chair, will call the meeting to order.

Governor Lujan Grisham will offer greetings and short opening comments.

8:20 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will recognize WGA Vice Chair and Utah Governor Spencer Cox for short opening comments.

8:25 a.m.

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9:00 a.m.

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9:15 a.m.

Additional open discussion. Governor Lujan Grisham will manage and moderate as needed.

9:25 a.m.

Governor Lujan Grisham will conclude the meeting. Governors and Cabinet officials will assemble for a group photo.

9:30 a.m.

Event complete.

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Date: Thu, 13 Feb 2025 19:06:37 +0000

Importance: Normal

Inline-Images: image001.jpg

Hey Ashley:

Thank you for the update!

COB Wednesday ought to work for an RSVP deadline. Do you need more information than just names?

And the one item I left out yesterday: we'd talked about having a photographer from Interior to get shots of the assembled crew. You all were going to check on that possibility and let me know if we should arrange someone on our own.

Hope you're having a good day,
Troy

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- "Secretary's Suite" is fine for the invitation
- C St entrance is good, we will work with security on our end to streamline entry

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With gratitude,

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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Food for Saturday
Date: Tuesday, February 18, 2025 8:54:50 PM
Attachments: [WGA-Cabinet Breakfast RSVPs.xlsx](#)

Hey Ashley:

Safe flight, but pretty miserable. They clearly forgot how to heat the aircraft, and it was -71 outside (well, that's what the flight data thing said). With your North Dakota roots, you would have loved it, but everyone on my row, at least, was bundled up in coats, hats, and gloves. Quite uncomfortable.

On to actual stuff: sounds like we're on track, and moving ahead with Allspice for food. Sarah Olsen, who will be joining us Saturday and is copied here, is taking lead on that outreach for now. One question we've got is how early the caterers can get in there for setup; in the past, we've done that at least a couple of hours in advance (so, like 6:00 am would be great, if that works for everyone). Sarah may have additional questions, but I'll let her pose those.

Danny gave me instructions on Govs bios and possible Qs, which I'll deliver separately.

One thing I promised you today is a list of attendees for security. That's attached as an Excel file; if you need more information than what we've got here, let me know. I'll also get you a list by 6:00 pm tomorrow with any additional folks.

Thanks; please holler if you need anything else!

Troy

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Hope you all had a safe flight! Happy to chat this evening if needed.

Thanks!

Ashley

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Kevin and I are about to jump on a plane to get out there, but happy to bug you more later today.

Thanks,

Troy

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Hi Troy!

Apologies for the late response - had to make sure we were following procedures on our end and took a while for staff to locate formerly used caterers. Sounds like we are good to use Allspice or any of these folks, will leave the decision to you!

Occasions

<https://occasionscaterers.com/>

Root and Stem

<https://rootandstemdc.com/>

La Prima

<https://www.laprimacatering.com/>

Other than that, we're still working with facilities to make sure we have a good set up in the Secretary's Office and also waiting on confirmation on a photographer in our end, will follow back up on that tomorrow. Let me know what else you need from us!

Best,

Ashley Johnson

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Hi Danny and Ashley:

Hope everything is going well, and that we're still on track to have the Governors over there on Saturday.

A few updates:

See the latest run of show for the list of Governors and Cabinet attending – we're up to 11 Governors and 3 Cabinet members. And thanks for your help with outreach to those folks – it's really appreciated! At this point, we've also got 19 staff RSVPs, so at least 30 folks trying to get in your door, not including security detail. We'll get you the current list at some point tomorrow, and let you know of any additional folks by 6:00 pm EST on Wednesday, as previously discussed. I'm sure we'll get some stragglers Tuesday and Wednesday.

Sorry if there was confusion around the question of a side room / overflow room. From our initial conversation, it sounded like you were planning to have some space not in the Secretary's office for food setup and with some chairs for staff if everyone couldn't fit. From Kevin, it sounded like that plan had changed. I just want to make sure we've got room for everyone, even if it's not in the actual room. If you look at the run of show, we're not promising that folks will be able to see or hear conversation in the Secretary's office, just that they'll have some proximity to what's going on.

I still haven't heard back on catering options. If it's useful, we used [Allspice Catering](#) last time DOI hosted the Governors. We're happy to reach out to them; just let us know if that's alright and we'll go from there.

Have a good Presidents Day, and we're looking forward to seeing you later this week!

Troy

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WGA-Cabinet Breakfast RSVPs

February 22, 2025

Cabinet Officials		
Position	Name	Notes
Secretary of the Interior	Doug Burgum	
Secretary of Agriculture	Brooke Rollins	arriving late around 8:45am (approx)
Secretary of Energy	Chris Wright	
Governors		
State / Territory	Name	
Alaska	Mike Dunleavy	
Guam	Lou Leon Guerrero	
Hawaii	Josh Green	
Idaho	Brad Little	
Montana	Greg Gianforte	
New Mexico	Michelle Lujan Grisham	
Northern Mariana Islands	Arnold Palacios	
Oregon	Tina Kotek	
South Dakota	Larry Rhoden	
Utah	Spencer Cox	
Wyoming	Mark Gordon	
SAC/State Staff		
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Alaska	Jerry Moses	
California	Jonathan Cousimano	
Guam	Jon Calvo	
Hawaii	Cameron Deptula	
Idaho	Isabella Somers, Joan Varseck	
Montana	Rachel Green	
Nevada	Ryan Cherry, Sammi Swing	
New Mexico	Courtney Kerster, Michael Susini	
Northern Mariana Islands	Fred Radewagen	
Oregon	Annie McColaugh	
South Dakota	Brad Otten, Hunter Roberts	
Utah	Gordon Larsen	
Wyoming	Kate Barlow	
State Security Detail:		
Name	State / Territory	
Justin McGladrey	Oregon	
Richard Olsen	Oregon	
Kristina Perrizo	Oregon	
Anthony Pagano	Oregon	
Captain George Hansen	Utah	
Lieutenant Brian Peterson	Utah	
Trooper Weldon Butterfield	Utah	
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Danny, Ashley, and Amanda:

I just wanted to send you a quick note thanking you and the team for hosting the Annual WGA Breakfast Meeting with Cabinet Officials on February 22, and for getting the Secretary there. I know it's not easy to convince a Cabinet official to go to an event at 8:00 am on a Saturday, even when it's at his own office, so we very much appreciate all your efforts on the Governors' and WGA's behalf.

One item I wanted to follow up on is the information on WGA's upcoming [Annual Meeting](#). That meeting will be taking place from June 23 – 25 in Santa Fe, New Mexico. As part of the programming for the event, the Governors invite a number of Cabinet Officials, including the Secretary of the Interior, to give a keynote address. We will be following up soon with an official invitation from the Governors for your boss to join them in Santa Fe. In the meantime, let me know if you have any questions about the Annual Meeting.

Finally, please keep WGA in mind as a resource when having conversations around, or when moving, policy issues that affect the West. I know the Governors want to assist (as do our staff) where they can in achieving wins for the American people, so please do not hesitate to reach out if we can be helpful in any way.

Thank you again,

Kevin

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