



# MONTANA STOCKGROWERS ASSOCIATION

The Montana Stockgrowers Association (MSGA) is a grassroots membership organization that has served as the trusted voice for the cattle industry and Montana's cattle ranching families since 1884. Our work protects and enhances Montana ranch families' ability to grow and deliver safe, healthy, sustainably produced beef to the world. To achieve this mission, we represent our members and the policy they set while working to ensure cattle ranching remains a relevant, safe, and sustainable way of life for generations to come.

## 2026-2027 FEDERAL POLICY PRIORITIES

### CREATE A FAVORABLE TAX CLIMATE FOR RANCHERS

- Eliminate the death tax.
- Create tax incentives to keep land in food production.

### IMPROVE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

- Continue to improve Livestock Risk Protection (LRP).
- Simplify government financing programs for young producers.

### FIND SOLUTIONS FOR AG LABOR CHALLENGES

- Cultivate workers with an understanding of the cattle industry and foster skill development for industry workers.
- Improve the H-2A program to allow for the industry to better utilize foreign labor as a solution for future labor needs.

### MINIMIZE BARRIERS TO ENTRY FOR YOUNG OR BEGINNING LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS

- Work to mitigate factors outside of livestock production that reduce access to land.
- Address challenges first-generation ranchers or ranchers seeking to expand experience with securing capital.

### PROTECT PUBLIC LAND GRAZING

- Advocate for the enforcement of the Taylor Grazing Act.
- Highlight the benefits of livestock grazing as a tool to reduce fuel loads and lower the risk of catastrophic wildfires.

### ENGAGE IN THE ENDANGERED SPECIES AND LAND DESIGNATIONS PROCESS

- Advocate for state managed grizzly bears and maintain the wolf delisting.

### ENSURE FEDERAL AGENCIES ARE ADEQUATELY FUNDED

- Work to maintain adequate funding levels for federal agencies that provide services for animal health, wildlife management, and land management.