

Statement from the office of Governor Mark Gordon on the decision in Herrera v. Wyoming:

Today in a narrow 5-4 decision, a majority of the United States Supreme Court determined that Wyoming's admission to the Union in 1890 did not terminate the Crow Tribe's 1868 treaty right to hunt the "unoccupied lands of the United States." However, the Court recognized that several issues in this case are unresolved, and the Court remanded the case back to Wyoming so the state court can consider the outstanding issues. Until these remaining issues are resolved, the State of Wyoming will continue to regulate the take of game animals in the Bighorn National Forest to ensure equal hunting opportunities for all.

With the remand, my administration will stand up for a system that preserves the decades of conservation work that has built a strong wildlife population in the Bighorns, and we will work to find solutions for all those who hunt.

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