

## SECRETARY ZINKE VISITS YELLOWSTONE

On Friday, March 17 Secretary of the Interior and former Montana Congressman, Ryan Zinke, toured Yellowstone National Park with Park Superintendent Dan Wenk.

In a Facebook post @SecretaryRyanZinke following his visit, Secretary Zinke shared with everyone what he said at his town hall with National Park Service staff, "The gates of Yellowstone are not to be mined."

We are grateful to have the continued support of Secretary Zinke as we pursue permanent protection of our public lands from mining at the gateway to Yellowstone National Park.



## YGBC CELEBRATES ONE YEAR!

On March 24, 2016, over 100 business owners and community members packed Katabatic Brewing Company in Livingston to formally launch the Yellowstone Gateway Business Coalition.

This amazing group came together to defend our economy from ill-planned mining proposals in Paradise Valley and Gardiner Basin. That was only the beginning. One year later, YGBC membership has more than tripled to 325 members across 10 Montana counties.

We've only gained momentum—we had a huge victory in November 2016 when we received a two-year time-out on new mining claims on 30,370 acres of public lands north of Yellowstone. Together, we've demonstrated that Yellowstone is more valuable than gold.

Photo from @SecretaryRyanZinke: Using Lower Yellowstone Falls as a backdrop, Secretary Zinke and Yellowstone Superintendent Dan Wenk recreate a famous Underwood image of President Theodore Roosevelt and John Muir on Glacier Point in front of Yosemite Falls in 1903.

## March is YGBC Recruitment Month

We need your help to spread the word. It is free to join and you become a critical part of our voice to protect our gateway communities. We need your help now more than ever!

Please share our signon form with fellow business owners interested in joining!