

## Questions for the Record by Democrat Members

### Questions from Representative Debbie Dingell

1. Ms. Waggoner, you mention in your testimony that the former Secretary spent much of his time during his monument tour reviewing coal seams. Do you think those resources are a fair representation of the monuments value to your, your business, and your community?
  - o What resources do you think the Secretary should have visited?

*At the beginning of the review process, Sec. Zinke agreed to meet with the Escalante/Boulder Chamber of commerce, at the last minute we were informed that this would not happen. As more information comes to light we are now hearing from a BLM employee that was involved with the process from the beginning that the reduction map was drawn taking the coal and uranium prospects out of the monument. This occurred before his tour and before the review process. It appears the decision was made before the 3 million public responses and certainly without the input of the local businesses and concerned citizens.*

*The extraction industry and tourism are not compatible. As a gal who grew up in the oil patch in Oklahoma I know the extraction jobs come and go while tourism is sustainable. Our town is thriving, we need all types of jobs. Teachers, accountants, health care workers, plumbers, electricians just to name a few.*

