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Pictured from left: CWAC President Dan Anderson of Haxtun, CWAC Vice President Dave Davis of Peetz, Congresswoman Musgrave, Gary Nelson of Sterling and CAWG President Brad Ivey of Wiley.

MUSGRAVE WHEAT TOUR

U.S. Congresswoman Marilyn Musgrave, (R-4th), participated in a series of wheat-related events during an all-day tour of Washington, Logan, and Morgan Counties on June 7, hosted by the Colorado Association of Wheat Growers (CAWG) and the Colorado Wheat Administrative Committee (CWAC).

Congresswoman Musgrave's Fourth Congressional District includes 21 major winter wheat producing counties on Colorado's Eastern Plains. During 2002 (smallest wheat crop since 1967), the district accounted for 96.8 percent of Colorado's winter wheat production, valued at an estimated \$139.8 million. The first-term congresswoman serves on the powerful House Agriculture

Committee that is responsible for federal farm programs and other legislation affecting wheat production and exports.

During this first wheat tour for Musgrave, CAWG officials discussed the need for continued reform of federal crop insurance to increase the subsidy incentive and encourage producers to buy higher levels of coverage, and for consistent, reliable, fairly priced rail transportation.

CAWG also requested Musgrave to support aggressive action to open markets and remove trade barriers around the world, reform of all unilateral sanctions, increased funding for foreign market development and food aid programs and the removal of trade restraints on sales of agricultural products to Cuba.

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