

# A Whirlwind Summer

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Greetings!

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Wow! What a whirlwind of a summer this has been! We've been very busy traveling to many events in the new Senate District 35. We've already traveled over 10,000 miles going to events and meeting new people, and we're still a little over three months away from election day. We're trying to hit as many events as we can in each county, but in a district as large as this, we obviously can't make it to all of them. If you know of an event in your community that you think we should try to attend, please let me know. In addition, we've distributed 70 large (4' x 8') highway signs throughout the district and ordered 550 smaller yard signs. We've placed the highway signs as strategically as we think possible, but if you would like one (or more) of our yard signs, please let me know. We'd like to get my name out in front of as many people as possible. As I'm sure you're aware, travel isn't cheap. If you would like to contribute to my campaign, please email me for a mailing address, or you can contribute online at

[PeltonForColorado.com](http://PeltonForColorado.com).

In case you're wondering what Senate District 35 looks like, I'm including a picture of it here. Everything in green in the southeast corner of the state is District 35.

In addition to campaign trips, I've made a couple of trips to Denver recently for interim committee meetings. I'm serving on three interim committees: the Behavioral Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice

Systems Oversight Committee, the Jail Standards Commission Oversight Committee, and the Statewide Health Care Review Committee. While I would always rather be in the rural areas of Colorado than at the Capitol, I know how important it is to be a voice for those who would otherwise have no voice. As you know, I have spent a good deal of my time at the Capitol the last four years working in the mental health space, particularly as it affects rural Colorado. In fact, I'm pleased to announce that I was recently named as a 2022 Community Behavioral Health Champion by the Colorado Behavioral Healthcare Council. I'm truly honored and humbled to receive this honor.

As we have traveled around the district, we have noticed a tone of optimism that has been lacking the last couple of election cycles. I really believe that if we all get out and vote, we can turn this state around. But we must all get out and vote! Encourage your friends and neighbors to not opt out of this very important privilege. Just a note of caution: don't be fooled by the Tabor refunds you will be receiving around the same time as you receive your November ballots (the timing is not a coincidence). Gov. Polis and the Democrats would have you believe that this is their "gift" to you to help you through tough times. Baloney! This is your Tabor refund of excess money the State has collected from you, the taxpayers. They're required by law to refund it to you. Normally, this would be refunded when you file your 2022 income taxes, but they want you to believe that it's out of the kindness of their hearts . . .

I hope that you have been blessed with some of the recent moisture that we have received here in Cheyenne County. During the month of July we received almost five inches of beautiful, much needed rain! The crops and the grass that were nearly dead a month ago are once again green and flourishing. It never ceases to amaze me how resilient this Colorado prairie land can be!

I hope the rest of the summer goes well for you and yours. Until we meet again,

Faithfully yours, Representative Rod Pelton



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