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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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RE: New Raymer Post Office

### **NEW RAYMER POST OFFICE REMOVED FROM CLOSURE LIST**

WELD COUNTY, CO – The United States Postal Service (USPS) announced that the New Raymer Post Office will remain open and has removed the office from the list of postal facilities the agency is considering closing.

“It’s an early Christmas present,” said Weld County Commissioner David Long. “It’s nice for rural America to be re-recognized as a valuable part of American opportunity. Having a post office is a major piece of that opportunity.”

A statement released by the USPS said: “The United States Postal Service has determined that the New Raymer Post Office has been removed from consideration for discontinuance. It will remain open.

“A number of factors went into the decision, including distance from the nearest office, a lack of other businesses that could sell USPS products and services, and public input.

“While the office is not warranted for closure at this time, it doesn’t guarantee that the office won’t be studied for discontinuance in the future as the current workload is less than USPS minimum office standards.”

On July 13, 2011, the Board of Weld County Commissioners approved a resolution strongly opposing the potential closure of the New Raymer Post Office stating that 150 families from the New Raymer area contacted the Board of County Commissioners in an effort to keep the facility open.

U. S. Congressman Cory Gardner, U.S. Senator Mark Udall, and U.S. Senator Michael Bennet also helped in the effort to have the New Raymer Post Office removed from the closure list.

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