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### COLORADO COUNTIES EXTEND HELPING HAND (AND BACKHOE) TO WELD

WELD COUNTY, CO – Shortly after the flood waters in Weld County began to rise and damage roads and bridges, Douglas County Commissioners reached out and offered to help in Weld County’s recovery effort.



On Monday, Douglas County sent nine public works employees and their equipment to help Weld County’s public works crews repair damaged roads and bridges.

“They came here to work,” said Commissioner Douglas Rademacher. “And we certainly appreciate it.”

The Douglas County crew arrived ready to work in Weld County on Monday, September 23, and will continue to work on Weld County roads and bridges through Friday, October 4.

“Several Counties have contacted the Board and offered help,” said Commissioner Conway. “And we are looking at how to best take them up on their offers to help us repair our roads.”

From September 12 through September 24, Weld County had 109 road closures. As of September 27, Weld County is down to only 36 roads remaining closed.

Many roads and bridges throughout the county, however, were damaged by the flood waters.

According to Weld County Public Works reports, 25 bridges were impacted by the flood and suffered damage. Of those bridges, nine have had emergency repairs completed. Seventy-five roads



*Douglas County Public Works Crews arrived in Weld County Monday to assist with road and bridge repair. Weld County Public Works Senior Engineer Don Dunker is supervising the crew this week while they work on the bridge over the Little Thompson River at CR 3.*

throughout the county were impacted by the flood and suffered damage. Fourteen of those roads have had emergency repairs completed.

Yesterday, FEMA representatives are touring the county with Weld’s Public Works employees to conduct damage assessments of county infrastructure.

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