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WELD COUNTY HIGHLIGHTS PROJECTS OF 2014

WELD COUNTY, CO – The Board of Weld County Commissioners posted a 2014 Summary Report to their web page highlighting many of the projects accomplished during the past year: flood recovery projects, public safety communications projects, public information outreach projects, and most importantly, public infrastructure projects. Noted highlights include:

- **Reduction of the county Mill Levy.** For the 20th consecutive year, property owners in Weld County received a reduction in the county Mill Levy continuing the tradition of saving tax payers money. For 2015, the Board agreed to further reduce the Mill Levy by 1.004 mills, down to 15.800, the lowest among Front Range counties.
- **Opening of the Weld County Regional Communication Center (WCRCC).** This 10,316 square-foot facility features state-of-the-art equipment and technology, including Next Generation 911 capability, WeatherTap HD future weather radar, and the Front Range Communications Consortium (FRCC) Radio System.
- **Completion of the Española Subdivision paving/road project.** The project, for which Weld County received a Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) from the Department of Local Affairs (DOLA) for \$275,000, focused on road and drainage improvements in the subdivision. Weld County contributed a local match of \$470,188.
- **Initiation of improvements for northern I-25.** Commissioner Barbara Kirkmeyer and Commissioner Sean Conway each brought attention to needed repairs on I-25 through the North I-25 Coalition and the North Front Range Metropolitan Planning Organization (NFRMPO).
- **Continued work on flood repairs to county infrastructure.** The county has worked on several road repair projects with FEMA and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). Weld County has requested \$3,622,009.11 in reimbursement from FEMA and \$2,274,136.38 from FHWA. To date, the county has received \$2,794,076.66 from FEMA and \$1,939,658.00 from FHWA to complete permanent repairs.
- **Began construction of Weld County Road 49 Parkway and 49 Corridor improvements.** The Corridor project, which includes enhancements to WCR 49 south from Highway 34 to Interstate 76 is expected to be completed by 2017.
- Weld County Commissioners Barbara Kirkmeyer and Sean Conway led a **compressed natural gas (CNG)** tour for Noble Energy's Government Relations Advisor in Israel, Noa Binyamin. Binyamin said she wanted to visit Weld County to learn how she could implement similar projects in Israel.

To read the 2014 summary please go to the Commissioners section under departments at www.weldgov.com.

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