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NEW OIL AND GAS LIAISON SERVES WELD COUNTY RESIDENTS

WELD COUNTY, CO – In order to better serve Weld County residents, the Board of Commissioners has hired an Oil and Gas Liaison for the Planning Department to manage the projects associated with oil and gas development in the county. As of January 26, Troy Swain will serve as the Oil and Gas Liaison responsible for oil and gas communication between the county and residents. Swain's primary responsibility will be public outreach, which includes providing oil and gas information and being a technical resource and liaison for various stakeholders.

Swain's previous experience includes working for PDC Energy, Inc. Prior to that, Swain worked for Weld County's Department of Public Health and Environment and the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

"Troy's knowledge about Weld County and the oil and gas industry make him a great addition to our staff," said Commissioner Chair Barbara Kirkmeyer. "The energy industry is an important industry for our county. It's crucial the county has staff who can help answer the public's questions, serve as a contact for the energy companies and look out for our county's interests."

In 2014, 85% of all oil and gas activity in the State of Colorado came directly out of Weld County. "The energy industry plays a significant role in Weld County. It not only boosts our economy but also creates thousands of jobs," said Tom Parko, Director of Planning Services. "With the growth of the industry, we really needed someone who is familiar with both oil and gas and Weld County. Troy will be able to hit the ground running with this position," said Parko.

For more information about the position or for questions about oil and gas, contact Troy at tswain@weldgov.com.

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