NEWS RELEASE

Date: 6/19/15
Contact: Jennifer Finch, 970-336-7203

WELD COUNTY PLANNING DEPARTMENT TO HOST
SECOND OIL AND GAS 101 MEETING

WELD COUNTY, CO – A second oil and gas information session to benefit county residents is scheduled for Tuesday, June 23, at the Southwest Weld County Services Complex located at 4209 Weld County Road 24 ½ in Longmont. Weld County residents are encouraged to stop by anytime between 6:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. Staff from the County Planning Services Department, the County Attorney’s Office and the County Extension Office will be present to answer questions related to oil and gas development in Weld County.

“The Oil and Gas 101 meeting we held in April went really well,” said Troy Swain, Weld County Oil and Gas Liaison. “We had a good turnout with many questions. This time we are focusing on the south part of the county to allow for residents in that area to get their questions answered.”

During this session, people can meet one-on-one with county staff or in small groups to discuss various topics including local permitting, pooling, spacing and leasing, notices, location assessments, environmental issues, impact mitigation and agricultural concerns. Representatives from the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) will also be present to provide information on COGCC permitting and oversight functions.

“We would like anyone with questions regarding the oil and gas industry to stop by and talk to us,” said Tom Parko, Director of the Weld County Planning Department. “If residents have received notices from an operator or are surface and mineral owners, we encourage them to attend so we can answer any specific questions about the paperwork they have received.”

The Planning Department will host additional oil and gas information sessions in other areas of the county later this year.

“I hope county residents take advantage of this oil and gas information session,” said Commissioner Steve Moreno, coordinator for the Department of Planning Services. “It will be a great opportunity for people to learn about the process.”

For more information about oil and gas in Weld County, visit www.weldgov.com and click on the Oil and Gas tab under Building Permits in the Building Department section.

###