

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission’s (Commission) Rules, notice is hereby given that a public hearing is scheduled regarding Rocky Mountain Power’s (RMP of the Company) Application, requesting authority to change depreciation rates applicable to its depreciable electric property. **The public hearing is set to commence on Tuesday, August 11, 2020, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission’s hearing room located at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, in Cheyenne, Wyoming.**

RMP is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission’s jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On September 11, 2018, RMP filed its Application with supporting testimony and exhibits, requesting Commission approval of proposed revisions to depreciation rates applicable to its depreciable plant, effective January 1, 2021, consistent with the Company’s updated Depreciation Study and pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-122. The Depreciation Study identifies changes that have occurred since the Company’s last depreciation study, measures the effect of the changes on the recovery of presently surviving capital and revises the capital recovery rate.

The Wyoming Office of Consumer Advocate (OCA), the Wyoming Industrial Energy Consumers (WIEC) and Powder River Basin Resource Council (PRBRC) intervened in this matter. On April 20, 2020, RMP, the OCA and WIEC filed a Stipulation on Depreciation Rate Changes (Stipulation), resolving any issues remaining among the parties. The Stipulation also outlines RMP’s intention to reserve certain issues for proposed ratemaking treatment in the Company’s pending general rate case in Docket No. 20000-578-ER-20 (Record No. 15464), filed March 2, 2020, including: (a) the unrecovered plant balances, decommissioning costs, and other closing costs associated with Cholla 4; (b) Wyoming’s allocation of coal plant balances; (c) changes to decommissioning cost estimates; and (d) wind repowering.

All interested persons are encouraged to attend the public hearing which will be conducted in accordance with the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act, Wyoming Public Service Commission Rules, **and subject to any applicable national, state or local public health related orders or directives.** All interested persons may appear and be heard, in person, by video or telephone conference, or through counsel appearing in person or by video or telephone conference.

**Attend by video conference and actively participate at:**  
meet.google.com/nod-bexf-mpx.

**Attend by telephone and actively participate by dialing:**  
(501) 991-4232 (PIN: 701637150).

**To attend without actively participating dial:** (877) 735-7186.

Any updates will be announced at: <https://psc.wyo.gov/home/hot-topics>.

The number of people in the Commission’s hearing room and auxiliary spaces will be limited to maintain recommended physical distance between individuals. Facemasks will be available at this Public Hearing.

If you wish to attend the hearing and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427 (Voice or TTY) in Cheyenne during regular business hours or write them at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002, to make arrangements. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission by accessing Wyoming Relay (TTY) by dialing 711. Please mention Docket No. 20000-539-EA-18 (Record No. 15095) in your correspondence. If you wish to listen to the hearing scheduled in this matter go to <https://psc.wyo.gov/calendar/livestream> at the appropriate time and follow the instructions to connect to the hearing.

Dated: July 17, 2020.

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INVITATION FOR REVIEW: The public is invited to review two Request for Proposals (RFPs) regarding two long-term concession contracts at Host Springs State Park, Thermopolis, Wyoming; concerning the operation and redevelopment of the Star Plunge property, 2018 gross revenue, \$680,000; and operation and redevelopment of the Days Inn, 2018 gross revenue, \$2.3 million. RFP due dates are Wednesday, October 21, 2020. Details and RFPs are available at <https://wyoparks.wyo.gov/index.php/learn/state-use-concession-contracts>. Questions regarding accessing these RFPs can be directed to Julie Huntley at [Julie.huntley@wyo.gov](mailto:Julie.huntley@wyo.gov).

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STATE OF WYOMING	) OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF
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OF COUNTY OF HOT SPRINGS	) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	) July 20, 2020
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The Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners met in special session for the public hearing on the 2020-2021 County Budget on Monday, July 20, 2020 at 12:00 p.m. in the Commissioners Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, and Jack Baird. Also present were County Clerk Rose DeSeyn and Administrative Assistant to the Commissioners Penny Herdt. Vice-Chairman Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance. Roberts Rules of Order were suspended so that business might be conducted in the absence of Commissioner Scheel.

**Public Hearing – Approve FY 2020-2021 Budget**

Vice-Chairman Tom Ryan opened the public hearing for the finalization of the FY 2020-2021 Hot Springs County Budget at 12:05 p.m. After three calls for public comment, receiving none, Vice-Chairman Ryan declared the hearing closed at 12:07 p.m. The Commissioners reviewed the Summary of Budget 2020-2021, together with the proposed changes thereto. The final assessed valuation for the 2020-2021 budget year is \$156,160,138.00. The County will levy 12 mills this year, which will be equal to \$1,873,921.66. Total anticipated revenue for the year is \$4,548,339.33, and the cash carried forward totaled \$6,650,077.00. The final budget for FY2020-2021 was approved as submitted. The final budget summary as approved is available for public viewing in the County Clerk’s office.

**Adjourn** – The meeting was declared adjourned at 12:11 p.m.

	Attest
Thomas J. Ryan, Vice-Chairman	Rose DeSeyn, County Clerk
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STATE OF WYOMING	) OFFICE OF THE BOARD OF	
OF COUNTY OF HOT SPRINGS	) COUNTY COMMISSIONERS	) July 21, 2020

The Hot Springs Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, July 21, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Phillip Scheel, Tom Ryan and Jack Baird. Also present were County Clerk Rose DeSeyn, and Administrative Assistant to the Commissioners Penny Herdt. Chairman Scheel led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda** – The agenda was approved as presented.

**State Transportation Improvement Program (STIP)**

Pete Hallsten, WYDOT District Engineer, Kaia Tharp, Resident Engineer, and Cody Beers, District Public Relations Specialist, presented the annual 2020 STIP Report. Mr. Hallsten noted that both revenues and federal funding have been declining in recent years, so currently WYDOT’s projects are primarily focused on preservation of current roads as opposed to improvements. The STIP Fiscal Year runs from October 1 – September 30. The STIP document is a six-year plan which changes on a regular basis as projects are started, in process, revamped, and completed. It includes Highway projects, Transit projects, Aeronautic projects and Public Safety Communications Commission projects. After reviewing the STIP documents, Mr. Fulton outlined the partnership opportunities available to local governments wishing to work with WYDOT including Funding Opportunities, Construction Partnerships, and Supply Purchases. More information is available on WYDOT’s website.

**Youth Alternatives Monthly Report**

– The Director reported a current caseload of 17 juveniles – 12 males and 5 females. She is providing oversight for one juvenile out of the county, four voluntary case plans, ongoing counseling for four family and individual plans, and facilitating support for one treatment plan and one placement plan. The next Alive at 25 class is tentatively scheduled for August. The summer meal deliveries will end on July 31st. A new lawn mower has been purchased for Community Service projects. A \$2,000.00 grant from the HSC Prevention Coalition will be used to help develop an effective tobacco prevention program.

**Public Health Contracts** – PHN-MCH – The Commissioners approved the PHN-MCH contract in the amount of \$39,504.00 for the term of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. **Prevention Grant** – The Commissioners approved the Grant Agreement between WDH-Public Health Division and Hot Springs County for alcohol, tobacco, drug and suicide prevention activities in the amount of \$192,985.00, for the term of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. **Prevention MOU – Police Department** – The Commissioners approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Hot Springs County Community Prevention Program and the Thermopolis Police Department for Prevention Services in the amount of \$3,350.00 for the term July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. **Prevention MOU – HSC Sheriff’s Office** – The Commissioners approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Hot Springs County Community Prevention Program

and the HSC Sheriff’s Department for Prevention Services in the amount of \$3,750.00 for the term July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. **Prevention MOU – HSCSD #1 Prevention Specialist** – The Commissioners approved the Memorandum of Understanding between Hot Springs County and the HSC School District No. 1 for the employment of a Community Support & Prevention Specialist for the term July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. The CSPS will be an at-will employee of the school district with the County reimbursing the school for 100% of the wages and benefits of the position as outlined in the Prevention Grant contract. **PHPR-PHPC** – The Commissioners approved the Contract between the WDH-Public Health Division and Hot Springs County for the Public Health Preparedness and Response Unit in the amount of \$56,000.00 for the term of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2021. **COVID-19 Costs** – The Commissioners approved the Memorandum of Understanding between the WDH-Public Health Division and Hot Springs County for expenses incurred in responding to the COVID-19 pandemic in the amount of \$151,880.00, for the term of March 13, 2020 – December 30, 2020.

**Resolution #2020-04 – Stage 1 Fire Ban** – The Commissioners approved Resolution #2020-04 implementing Stage 1 Fire Restrictions as follows:

**RESOLUTION #2020-04 ESTABLISHING FIRE RESTRICTIONS FOR HOT SPRINGS COUNTY**

**WHEREAS**, based upon recommendations of the **Hot Springs County Fire Warden, the Board of Hot Springs County Commissioners** are empowered by WYOMING STATE STATUTE **35-9-301** through **35-9-304** to close areas to fire when fire danger in the County is extreme because of drought, the presence of any excessive amount of flammable material or for any other sufficient reason; and

**WHEREAS, the Board of Hot Springs County Commissioners** find there is an extreme danger of fire throughout Hot Springs County because of drought conditions and there is a presence of excessive amounts of flammable materials and the fire danger is aggravated by open burning and the use of incendiary devices:

**NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF HOT SPRINGS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS:**

- Effective July 21, 2020 – Until further notice of this Board, any open fire or discharge of any class A, B, and/or C fireworks is prohibited on all unimproved State and Private Land including, but not limited to, all land owners in Hot Springs County or in which HOT SPRINGS COUNTY holds or owns an interest, including county roads, easements and rights-of-way in Hot Springs County. The prohibition is subject to the following exceptions:**
  - Trash or refuse burned between the hours of 6:00 P.M. and 8:00 A.M. inside containers equipped with spark arrestors which are located within a cleared area that has at least a TEN (10) foot radius, and comply with all other laws and requirements.
  - Camp Fires contained within an established fire ring at an established campground provided the fire is in compliance with BLM, FOREST SERVICE, and NATIONAL PARK SERVICE regulations in effect at the time.
  - Charcoal fires within enclosed grills.
  - Use of acetylene cutting torches or electric arc welders provided the torches or welders are used within a cleared area with at least a TEN (10) foot radius
  - Propane or open fire branding activities provided the branding activities are conducted within a cleared area with at least a TEN (10) foot radius.
  - Use of chain saws provided the chain saws have spark arrestors properly installed and functioning.
  - Federal, State or Local Fire or Law Enforcement Officers participating in Fire, Emergency and Law Enforcement Activities.
  - Public-sponsored fireworks displays which are coordinated with the Hot Springs County Fire Warden or his designee.

- Unimproved land is defined to mean cropland, agricultural land and undeveloped land which predominately remains in its natural forested or range condition.
- The County Fire Warden shall promptly notify the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners of any changes in the severity of the fire danger.

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that** penalties specified in **W.S.S. 35-9-304** may be imposed for violations of this resolution, i.e. a fine not to exceed **ONE HUNDRED dollars (\$100.00) or imprisonment not to exceed thirty (30) days or both, to which may be added cost of restitution and all fire suppression costs.**

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that** the Hot Springs County Fire Warden shall notify the Wyoming State Forester of the limitations provided for by this resolution, as well as any and all Commissioners’ Rules and Regulations and shall assist in the public notification by posting the order and circulating it to all local media.

**Passed and Approved this 21st day of July, 2020**

**ATTEST:**  
Phillip Scheel, Chairman Tom Ryan, Vice-Chairman Jack Baird, Commissioner Rose DeSeyn, County Clerk

**Other Business** – **Child Support Agreement** – The Commissioners approved the Cooperative Agreement for Responsibilities and Receipt and Distribution of Payment between the Wyoming Dept. of Family Services – Child Support Program and HSC Clerk of District Court for the term of July 1, 2020 – June 30, 2022. **WARM Member Assessment Allocation** – Information provided by the Clerk’s Office. No action required. **SLIB Grant Draft Request #1 – Fairgrounds Concession Trailer** – The Commissioners approved GDR #1 to the State Loan & Investment Board for the Fairgrounds Concession Trailer project in the amount of \$17,151.31. **HSG DBE Plan Review** – The Commissioners reviewed the HSG DBE Plan and approved it with no changes.

**Correspondence** – **NRPC Minutes** – June, 2020; **Big Horn Basin Nature & Discovery Center Minutes** – June, 2020; **Fair Board** – Minutes, June, 2020; **Fair Board** – Livestock Sale Invitation; **WYDOT** – WYDOT Funding Strategic Redirection.

**Executive Session – Personnel/Real Estate** – The Commissioners entered into Executive Session for reasons of Personnel and Real Estate discussion at 5:35 p.m. The Commissioners left Executive Session and entered back into Regular Session at 6:05 p.m. No action was taken during Executive Session.

**Adjourn** – The meeting was declared adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

	Attest
Phillip Scheel, Chairman	Rose DeSeyn, County Clerk
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Warrants List	
The following list of warrants approved June 30, 2020, by HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT is hereby published as required by the Wyoming Education Code of 2005, as amended, Chapter 3, Section 21-3-110 (a)(ii).	
INNOVATIVE SOLUTIONS	\$510.70
NWC MUSIC FESTIVAL	\$621.00
307 SHREDDING LLC DBA	\$715.00
WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY	\$716.00
BRUCO, INC.	\$816.00
HANSON’S FIRE EQUIPMENT LLC	\$1,079.05
THE OFFICE SHOP	\$1,142.45
ELDER EQUIPMENT	
LEASING OF WY, INC.	\$1,359.88
MIDWEST INDUSTRIES	\$1,530.00
ARAMACOST TRANE SERVICE COMPANY	\$1,645.00
CEV MULTIMEDIA	\$1,950.00
WYOMING ASSOC OF SCHOOL ADMIN	\$2,113.13
ARETE DESIGN GROUP LLC	\$3,815.00
COMMUNICATION	
TECHNOLOGIES, INC	\$4,514.00
COWBOY SUPPLY HOUSE	\$4,659.95
JADECO, INC.	\$4,672.38
HOMAX OIL SALES, INC	\$12,665.26
ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER	\$14,488.77
FIRST STATE BANK OF CHEYENNE	\$15,996.92
REI	\$35,636.20
SYSCO MONTANA - RWE	\$36,041.64
BANK OF MONTREAL	\$61,347.44
MOTOROLA	\$101,864.39
TOTAL	\$309,900.16
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Warrants List	
The following list of warrants approved July 21, 2020, by HOT SPRINGS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT is hereby published as required by the Wyoming Education Code of 2005, as amended, Chapter 3, Section 21-3-110 (a)(ii).	
SYSCO MONTANA - RWE	\$549.35
BRANDON DEROMEDI	\$600.00
THE OFFICE SHOP	\$652.33
EDUCATORS HANDBOOK	\$698.00
KIA MOTORS FINANCE	\$746.05
ELDER EQUIPMENT LEASING	
OF WY, INC.	\$1,049.18
BSN SPORTS	\$1,099.00
POSTAGE BY PHONE/PURCHASE	
POWER	\$1,286.90
WYOMING SCHOOL UNIVERSITY	\$1,659.00
GARY BRINK, INC.	\$1,967.50
WYOMING FIRST AID & SAFETY	\$2,271.00
PROMED SOFTWARE	\$2,340.00
JOSTENS	\$2,442.30
GOTTSCHKE REHABILITATION	
CENTER	\$2,565.00
COWBOY SUPPLY HOUSE	\$2,651.84
WYOMING GAS COMPANY	\$2,684.42
WYOMING HIGH SCHOOL ACTIVITIES	\$4,582.00
TITAN SCHOOL SOLUTIONS	\$4,620.00
ARETE DESIGN GROUP LLC	\$4,655.00
TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS	\$15,840.60
REGION V BOARD OF COOP. ED.	\$17,379.50
FRONTLINE TECHNOLOGIES, INC.	\$25,518.90
TOTAL	\$97,857.87
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