

# Data

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cycles with oil production. After production peaked in 1970, it steadily declined until 2009 when new drilling techniques, including fracking, started seeing broader use. That caused a general upward trend in production until the pandemic struck in 2020.

Production fell off a cliff at the height

of the pandemic, declining 60% from May 2019 to May 2020. All rigs in the state shut down, though four had reopened by December of last year. Monthly production had rebounded to 85% of pre-pandemic levels by September of last year, and while there are positive signs for the industry, WSGS does not predict state-

wide production will reach pre-pandemic levels until mid-year at the earliest.

Despite the drop in production, the state has had better economic numbers than expected. The most recent forecast from the Consensus Revenue Estimating Group, a subgroup of the state Department of Administration and Infor-

mation, predicts the state will take in \$131.8 million more in revenue from oil and gas for the general fund and reserve account, as well as some additional money from the CARES Act, than it had forecasted in October of last year.

"We've got a few more wells being drilled," said CREG co-chair Kevin

Hibbard. "We're outperforming our assumptions from October. We're doing well in sales tax largely because of several subsidies."

Locally, Merit said that production is again ramping up and it hopes to be at 95% of their total production capacity by the end of the quarter.

## Public notices

### WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION CHEYENNE, WYOMING NOTICE OF ACCEPTANCE OF AND FINAL SETTLEMENT FOR HIGHWAY WORK

Notice is hereby given that the State Transportation Commission of Wyoming has accepted as completed according to plans, specifications and rules governing the same work performed under that certain contract between the State of Wyoming, acting through said Commission, and **Traffic Safety Services**, The Contractor, on Highway Project Number **B179040 in Various Counties**, consisting of **installing signs and miscellaneous work**, and the Contractor is entitled to final settlement therefore; that the Director of the Department of Transportation will cause said Contractor to be paid the full amount due him under said contract on **March 16, 2021**.

The date of the first publication of this Notice is **February 4, 2021**.

STATE TRANSPORTATION  
COMMISSION OF WYOMING

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Pam Fredrick  
Senior Budget Analyst  
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### IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF HOT SPRINGS COUNTY, WYOMING

### FIFTH JUDICIAL DISTRICT

### IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE

OF )  
 ) Probate No.  
JOAN W. WORLEY, ) 2021-2  
 )  
Deceased. )

### NOTICE OF PROBATE

### TO ALL PERSONS INTERESTED IN SAID ESTATE:

You are hereby notified that on the 14th day of January, 2021, the Estate of the above-named decedent was admitted to probate by the above-named Court, and Karen M. Vallee was appointed Personal Representative thereof. Any action to set aside the Last Will and Testament shall be filed in the Court within three (3) months from the date of the first publication of this Notice, or thereafter be forever barred.

Notice is further given that all persons indebted to the decedent or to decedent's estate are requested to make immediate payment to the Estate of Joan M. Worley and send to Michael S. Messenger, attorney for the estate, c/o Messenger Law Firm, P.C., P. O. Box 111, Thermopolis, WY 82443.

Creditors having claims against the decedent or the estate are required to file them in duplicate with the necessary vouchers, in the office of the Clerk of said Court, on or before three months after the date of the first publication of this notice, and if such claims are not so filed, unless otherwise allowed or paid, they will be forever barred.

DATED this 26th day of January, 2021.

/s/ Michael S. Messenger  
Michael S. Messenger  
WSB #5-1438  
Messenger Law Firm, P.C.  
P. O. Box 111  
Thermopolis, WY 82443  
(307) 864-5541

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### Airport Master Plan Meeting Public Notice

The Hot Springs County Airport (HSG) is in the process of updating their Airport Master Plan. The second public meeting will be held on Thursday, February 25th, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. at the Hot Springs County Annex Meeting Room, 117 N. 4th Street in Thermopolis. The meeting will include presen-

tation of the existing conditions and aviation demand forecast through 2040. More information about the Airport Master Plan is available by contacting Traci Hodgins at T-O Engineers at 307.587.3411 or thodgins@to-engineers.com. Information is also available on the T-O Engineers' website at https://www.to-engineers.com/ by clicking on "Project Portal" and selecting "Hot Springs County Airport Master Plan."

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STATE OF ) IN THE  
WYOMING ) DISTRICT COURT  
 ) SS.  
COUNTY OF ) FIFTH JUDICIAL  
HOT SPRINGS ) DISTRICT

### CIVIL ACTION NO. C-21-3

RIVERSIDE MANAGEMENT, INC. )  
 )

Plaintiff, )

vs. )

JESSE E. BAINE, deceased, his )  
heirs, devisees, successors, )  
assigns or legatees and )  
RUBY KAY BAINE, deceased, her )  
heirs, devisees, successors, )  
assigns or legatees and the )  
general public and all other )  
persons known or unknown, )

Defendants. )

### PUBLICATION SUMMONS

TO: THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND TO  
THE ABOVE DEFENDANTS AND  
ALL OTHER PERSONS KNOWN  
AND UNKNOWN

You are hereby notified that Riverside Management, Inc. has filed in the District Court of Hot Springs County, Thermopolis, Wyoming, Civil Action No. C21-3, a Complaint the object and prayer of which is to recover and quiet title against you and the Defendants named above to the following

described property:

Lots 8 and 9, Block 8, McManigal's Third Addition to the Town of Thermopolis, Hot Springs County, Wyoming, and 1975 (1974) Metamora, 24' x 57' mobile home VIN 4652860636 located thereon.

and for further equitable relief and you are further notified that you are required to answer said Complaint on or before the 30th day after the date of final publication of this Summons and that judgment by default may be rendered against you if you fail to file an answer or otherwise appear.

Witness my hand and official seal this 25th day of January, 2021.

Terri Cornella  
Clerk of the District Court

Jerry D. Williams  
State Bar #5-2585  
Williams Law Office  
339 Arapahoe Street  
Thermopolis, WY 82443

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that on January 20, 2021, Debra K. Lackey, dba Double D LLC, filed application for renewal of the Retail Liquor License for the following described place and premises, dba Shorty's Liquor Store, to wit: Lots 34, 35, and 36, Block 3, East Thermopolis, Hot Springs County, Wyoming, a 24' x 22' room on the north end of the building located at 103 East Broadway. Protests, if any there be, against the issuance of such license shall be heard at 7:00 P.M. on March 2, 2021 at the East Thermopolis Town Hall.

/s/ Angela Chism, Town Clerk

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# INSURANCE | Auto Repairs

## Consumer considerations for choosing an auto repair shop

*Your vehicle has been damaged, and you've filed a claim with your insurance company for repairs. Now what?*

### FIRST

#### Know your rights.

You are entitled to choose whether after-market or original equipment manufacturer (OEM) parts are used in the required repairs. Additionally, you are entitled to a written estimate of repairs from whichever repair shop you choose to use.

### SECOND

#### Know your repair facility.

If you don't already have a relationship with a repair shop, then ask around. Ask friends and families for recommendations of repair shops with whom they've had good experiences.

Additionally, check for shops on consumer review sites such as Yelp. Be sure to check out the potential shops in person to determine cleanliness, experience, qualifications, etc. Ask questions about how the repair facility bills, how they handle payment, how they handle disputes regarding the total cost of



repair, and whether they offer any warranties on their repairs.

### THIRD

#### Know your lease.

If your vehicle is leased, read your lease agreement carefully. The lease agreement may specify what parts can or cannot be used in repairs. Failure to abide by terms of the agreement may cost additional money at the end of your lease term.

### LASTLY

#### Know your insurance company and policy.

Read your policy completely to make sure you understand what is and is not covered.

Some insurance companies may recommend taking your vehicle to one of its preferred repair shops, but are you required to do so? The answer is no.

You have the right to choose which body shop you take your vehicle for repairs. However, using your company's preferred shop may offer advantages such as:

- Faster service
- Less paperwork
- Potential discounts

- Warranties on completed repairs.

If you choose to use a facility not recommended by your insurance company, be prepared to do some legwork. The insurance company may require you to obtain several estimates from multiple shops for review and comparison of the work needed.

The insurance company may also require you to take and send photos of the vehicle damage for their inspection and claim file. Additionally, once the claim is paid, you may be required to make final payment to the body shop upon completion of the repairs. Some disadvantages to using a non-preferred shop are:

- Negotiations with both the insurance company and repair shop may be required
- Delays in repairs being completed.
- Shorter or no warranties on repairs; however, any part warranties may still apply.

Remember, the body shop is fixing YOUR vehicle for YOU, and it's important that you're comfortable with the shop you choose regardless of their status with your insurance company.



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