

Locals rally

from page 1

drive with donations boxes located around town at The Learning Center, Discover Thermopolis, the Thrift Store, Broadway Bakery and Holy Trinity Episcopal Church. Monetary donations can be dropped off at the church, 642 Amoretti, or sent to the church c/o People for People Food Drive, PO Box 950, Thermopolis, WY 82443. All food and funds raised will be distributed locally.

Other resources

The self serve Thero-polis Food Pantry sits outside the Thermopolis Town Hall at 420 Broad-way St.

Messiah's Mall, located in the basement of Risen Son Baptist Church, 342 Amoretti St., serves the community by providing food, clothing and other necessities. They will be open on Novem-ber 8 from 10-11:30 a.m., on November 22 from 10-11:30 a.m. and on Novem-ber 23 from 1-2:30 p.m. For more information, call 864-4115.

The next River of Life food giveaway is Novem-ber 20 at the VFW, 302 Broadway, from 10 a.m.-1 p.m.

The Community Fed-erated Church food pan-try, 244 N. 6th St., is open the third Sunday of each month from 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. and the third Tuesday of each month

from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

For more information on area resources, vis-it www.Wyoming211.org or call 211.

Around the state

"The stress this gov-ernment shutdown is placing on local organiza-tions and churches dedi-cated to feeding hungry Wyomingites is signifi-cant, and we recognize their tireless efforts," said Korin Schmidt, director of DFS. "We are prepared to distribute crucial funds as quickly and efficiently as possible, allowing our partners to concentrate on ensuring their neigh-bors have food."

Under Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 9-2-1014.3, the Gov-ernor may authorize up to \$10 million from the Legislative Stabilization Reserve Account (LSRA) when a "public welfare emergency" exists. State statute defines such an emergency as a sudden and unforeseeable event that threatens the health or welfare of the public and requires immedi-ate action when no other funds are available.

Gov. Gordon deter-mined that the loss of SNAP benefits meets all statutory criteria.

"Many of Wyoming's elderly and children rely on SNAP to put food on their tables. Our veter-ans and soldiers deserve nothing less," the Gover-

nor said. "My first priority as Governor is to ensure the safety and well being of all of the citizens. I will not hesitate to do so."

The emergency relief will be temporary and will discontinue once federal SNAP funding resumes.

Blanket and heater drive

People for People and the Philips Help Cen-ter are also sponsoring a blanket and heater drive for those affected by the current suspension of LIHEAP (Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program). Contact Holy Trinity Episcopal Church or Philips Help Center for more information.

Toll of the shutdown

The toll of the govern-ment shutdown continues to increase by the day. On Tuesday, the shutdown had entered its 35th day, matching the record set during President Donald Trump's first term for the longest in history.

Republicans and Dem-ocrats in Congress contin-ue to blame each other for the standoff.

Food assistance is not the only victim of the shutdown- federal work-ers from airports to law enforcement and the mil-itary are going unpaid and the economy is tak-ing a hit.



courtesy photo

Fair to Fork

Through the Wyoming Fair to Fork program, Tymber Eckley gave her pig to People for People for local distribution. The program gives youths around the state the chance to enter a lottery for secondary animals that are purchased at market value by the initiative. The animals are then processed, and the meat is donated to a hunger relief organization chose by the participant. Ranae Baldes, Judy Carswell and Barb Rice accepted the donation from Eckley on behalf of Hot Springs County.

Outdoor recreation meeting set

The Wyoming Office of Outdoor Rec-reation facilitates Outdoor Recreation Collaboratives throughout the state. These Collaboratives bring together local community members, recreation stakeholders, businesses, conservation groups, federal and state agencies, and elected officials to identify and priori-tize grassroots opportunities for the growth and enhancement of outdoor recreation in Wyoming.

Members of the public are welcome to attend these virtual meetings. Near the end of each meeting, a designated time will be allocated for public com-ments.

The Bighorn Basin Outdoor Recre-ation Collaborative (BBORC), repre-senting Hot Springs, Washakie, and Bighorn Counties, will meet virtually on Wednesday, Nov. 12 from 5-7 p.m.

Join virtually through a video call: meet.google.com/faj-hgmt-hxk

Dial in: (US) +1 417-355-8415 PIN: 451 214 778#

The Wyoming Office of Outdoor Rec-reation champions responsible outdoor recreation to improve communities and diversify Wyoming's economy. Learn more about the Wyoming Office of Out-door Recreation's Outdoor Recreation Collaboratives by visiting wyorec.com.

Public notices

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF INTENT AND PUBLIC NOTICE MEETING

The South Thermopolis Water and Sewer District will file an application with the USDA Rural Development for financial assistance to develop the South Thermopolis Water and Sewer District South Loop Project. A public meeting for comments will be held at 6:30 pm on November 13, 2025 at the Hot Springs County Annex, 327 Arapahoe Street, Thermopolis, Wyoming to discuss the proposed project and to provide the opportunity for public comment.

Pub. Nov. 6, 2025 No. 1973

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Adminis-trative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commis-sion) Rules and Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Compa-ny) for authority to reduce the Carbon Capture Compliance Charge (Schedule 198) from 0.12% to 0.05% per month, and find the Company prudently incurred the costs sustained between September

2024 and August 2025, pursuant to Wy-oming Statutes §§ 37-18-101 and 37-18-102 and Commission Rules Chapter 3, Section 38, regarding low-carbon port-folio standards.

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon Corporation, engaged in the busi-ness of supplying electric utility service to customers throughout its six-state service territory, including Wyoming. RMP is a public utility subject to the Commission's jurisdiction. Wyo. Stat. §§ 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C) and 37-2-112.

2. On October 1, 2025, RMP filed an Application to reduce the Schedule 198 rate from 0.12% to 0.05% per month on an interim basis, beginning January 1, 2026. Schedule 198 is a balancing ac-count mechanism that tracks incremen-tal costs to comply with low carbon en-ergy portfolio standard requirements, and revenues collected through a monthly carbon capture compliance surcharge that is based on forecasted costs. RMP requests the decrease as the projected \$422,000 in annual revenue, the \$4.2 million Schedule 198 ending balance, and receipt of \$6,278,075.26 from the Wyoming Energy Authority's Wyoming Energy Matching Funds will provide ade-quate revenue for future investigations

into the economic and technical feasi-bility of carbon capture at Jim Bridger Units 3 and 4.

3. RMP states Schedule 198 collected \$1.6 million in revenue, \$322,409 in de-ferred costs, and an overcollection of \$4.2 million. RMP requests the Commission find the costs incurred from September 2024 through August 2025 to comply with the low carbon energy portfolio stan-dard requirements prudently incurred. These costs include the EMF reimburse-ment and consultant fees for conducting Phase 1 of the Bridger FEED study and internal travel expenses for developing and submitting the final plan.

4. This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect it at the Commission's of-fice or online at: <https://dms.wyo.gov/external/publicusers.aspx> (Enter Re-cord No. 17983).

5. Anyone wishing to file a statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do so in writing filed with the Commis-sion on or before November 21, 2025. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for

hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceed-ing. Please be sure to mention Docket No. 20000-693-EM-25 in all correspon-dence with the Commission.

6. If you wish to intervene in this mat-ter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyo-ming Relay at 711.

Dated: October 22, 2025.

Pub. Oct. 30 & Nov. 6, 2025 No. 1972

NOTICE OF SALE

There is a 1979 Marlette mobile home, white, with VIN# K14270FD80608 that will be sold at Sheriff's public auction on the front steps of the Hot Springs County Courthouse on November 25, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. This sale is to satisfy abandoned costs against Bruce Smith on the above listed mobile home by Benge Brown in the amount of \$1,000.00.

Pub. Nov. 6 and 13, 2025 No. 1969

Pre-Holiday

SALE

Act Now On This Limited Time Offer!

Buy five (5) 3x5 ads in November or December and receive a discounted rate of

\$125

each week with Free Full Color Included!

Total savings of \$325.

Or get a 2x4 ad, same conditions, for only

\$70

Each week.

Total savings of \$250.

Or get a 1/4 page ad, same conditions, for only

\$225

Each week.

Total savings of \$600.

*Some restrictions may apply. Public notices are excluded from the sale.

Thermopolis Independent Record
431 Broadway, PO Box 31
864-2328 • ads@thermopir.com

There is over \$345 million held in Wyoming Unclaimed Property!

It takes less than 2 minutes to search for your name and loved ones on the State Treasurer's website:

www.mycash.wyo.gov

307-777-5590 • upclaims@wyo.gov