

STATE OF ) OFFICE OF THE  
WYOMING ) BOARD OF COUNTY  
            ) COUNTY  
            ) COMMISSIONERS  
COUNTY OF ) THERMOPOLIS, WY  
HOT SPRINGS ) December 16, 2025

The Hot Springs Board of County Commissioners met in regular session on Tuesday, December 16, 2025, at 3:00 p.m. in the Public Meeting Room at the Government Annex. Present were Commissioners Tom Ryan, Bob Aguiar, and Paul Galovich. Also present were County Clerk Becky Kersten, and Administrative Assistant to the Commissioners Connie Guntly. Chairman Ryan led those present in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Approval of Agenda** – The Commissioners approved the agenda.

**Approval of Minutes** – The Commissioners approved the minutes from December 2, 2025.

**Approval of Revenue and Expenditure Reports** – The Commissioners approved the Revenue and Expenditure report.

**Approval of Special Account Payable Warrant** – The Commissioners approved the Special AP Warrant No. 68571 in the amount of \$2,281.92. Clerk Kersten explained it is for tax assessments on two County properties.

**Discussion of Long Repair Proposal for Compressor Replacement** – A proposal from Long for the compressor replacement at the Law Enforcement Center was presented. Chairman Ryan asked if the compressor is completely out of commission, Mr. Dorman stated it has completely quit, and this item was not budgeted. Clerk Kersten reviewed the budget for available funds and stated the LEC depreciation has \$174,000 available. The Commissioners approved the Long proposal dated November 19, 2025. Discussion: Chairman Ryan stated the amount was \$24,292.

**Discussion of Public Defenders Appointments for the 5th Judicial District** – The Commissioners reviewed the letters from the State Public Defenders Office in regards to appointing Assistant Public Defenders and Appellate Counsel. The Commissioners reviewed the letters and resumes and had no additional comments.

**Appointment of County Health Officer** – Only one application from Dr. Miller was received for the County Health Officer. The Commissioners appointed Dr. Vernon Miller as the County Health Officer.

**Discussion of Holiday Schedule for 2026** – The County elected officials presented some recommendations in regards to the holiday schedule. The Commissioners are ok with the days presented and will approve the Resolution at the first meeting of the year.

**Request for Approval of Senior Citizens Services District LGLP Agreement** – Kathy Sorensen was not present at the Commissioners meeting. However, Clerk Kersten reached out to LGLP and inquired about this agreement, LGLP informed her the County was not supposed to sign on behalf of the Senior Citizen Service District, the Commissioners did not take action on this. Clerk Kersten will reach out to Mrs. Sorensen and inform her.

**Request for Approval of Rebate No. 7-25** – Rebate No. 7-25, for Parcel #721, tax year 2025 (District 109), Shumway, Beverly was presented – The Homeowner exemption was mistakenly applied instead of the Long-Term Homeowner exemption. This necessitates a rebate of taxes for 2025 on parcel #721 of \$281.43. The Commissioners approved Rebate No. 7-25.

**Discussion of Cancellation of Outstanding Warrants** – The Cancellation of Outstanding Warrants was presented to the Commissioners for publication as follows:

WARRANT NUMBER	ISSUE DATE	PAYEE	AMOUNT
58511	08/06/2019	SECRETARY OF STATE	\$30.00
60313	10/06/2020	PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD 3-SHERIFF)	-\$16.77
60575	12/01/2020	PINNACLE BANK (VISA CARD ONE)	\$32.10
61603	08/03/2021	PIERA G NESMITH	\$30.00
62365	02/01/2022	STEPHANIE HOFFMAN	\$44.26
62938	06/30/2022	CHARTER COMMUNICATIONS	\$139.98
63085	08/02/2022	RAMS HEAD FINANCIAL SERVICE CORP	\$100.00
65335	12/05/2023	BRETT JACOB KLEIN	\$30.00
65377	12/05/2023	GARY A FRAZIER	\$30.00
65403	12/05/2023	JOHNNY L MEDINA	\$46.38
65460	12/05/2023	SUSAN D SMITH	\$30.00

**Other Business** – 1) Ratification of Approval for SLIB Grant Draft Request No. 4, Black Mountain Road Construction, for \$2,455,128.83 – The Commissioners ratified the SLIB Grant Draft Request No. 4, for \$2,455,128.83 (SLIB Reimburses \$859,295.09; County and WYDOT Pays \$1,595,833.74). 2) Ratification of Approval for WYDOT Request for Reimbursement No. 18, Black Mountain Road Construction, for \$1,595,833.74 – The Commissioners ratified the WYDOT Request for Reimbursement No. 18 for \$1,595,833.74 (WYDOT Reimburses \$1,356,458.68; County Pays \$239,375.06). 3) Ratification of Approval for WYDOT Reimbursement No. 19, Black Mountain Road Engineering, for \$128,156.93 – The Commissioners ratified the WYDOT Request for Reimbursement No. 19 for \$128,156.93 (WYDOT Reimburses \$108,933.39; County Pays \$19,223.54). 4) Appointment of Fairboard Member (1 opening, 1 applicant) – The Commissioners appointed Travis Collins to the Fair Board. 5) Appointment of Predatory Animal Control Board Member, Sportsman (1 opening, 1 applicant) – The Commissioners appointed Jim Lash to the Predatory Animal Control Board. 6) Request for Approval of Facility Use Form, Annex Meeting Room, Lucerne Pumping Plant Canal Co. Monthly Meetings – The Commissioners approved the Facility Use Form for Lucerne Pumping Plant Canal Co. monthly meetings, second Monday of the month from 6:45 p.m. to 8:45 p.m. 7) Request for Approval of Public Health Cash Handling Policy – The Commissioners approved the Public Health Cash Handling Policy and Procedures. 8) Request for Approval of Grant Agreement with Wyoming State Parks and Cultural Resources in the Amount of \$10,000 for the Semiquincentennial Event, Trailblazer Days, Opening the Last Frontier – Assistant Guntly informed the Commissioners the agreement will not be signed today due to insurance terms needing to be reviewed. Once the insurance terms are corrected the agreement will be returned for approval. 9) Appointment of Natural Resource Planning Committee (2 openings, 2 applicants) – The Commissioners appointed Kelly Owen and Dan Wychgram to the Natural Resource Planning Committee.

**Correspondence** – 1) Wyoming Aeronautics Commission – December Meeting Agenda; 2) Wyoming Gas Company – Pipeline Safety Request; 3) Hot Springs County Fair Board Meeting Agenda – December 2025; 4) Hot Springs County Natural Resource Planning Commission Meeting Minutes – November 2025; 5) Wyoming Business Association Listening Tour – December 17, 2025; 6) Christmas Card – Range (Basket); 7) Christmas Card – Ardura (Basket)

The Commissioners reviewed the foregoing correspondence. No further action was required.

**Adjourn** – The meeting adjourned at 3:38 p.m.

A regular meeting of the Hot Springs County Board of Commissioners will be held on January 20, 2026, at 3:00 p.m., at the Hot Springs County Annex building, 117 N. 4th St. Thermopolis. The public is invited to attend in person or stream online. To be placed on the Agenda please email Connie Guntly, Administrative Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners at connie.guntly@hscounty.com.

Per Wyoming Statute section 18-3-516 (f), County information can be obtained at the County website <https://hscounty.com/> or by requesting a Public Records form from the County Clerk's office.

ATTEST:

/s/Becky Kersten,  
County Clerk

#### Special Accounts Payable

Vendor	Description	Amount
Hot Springs County Treasurer	Property Taxes on Ingle Prop Web Rd Gravel Pit	\$2,281.92

Pub. Jan. 15, 2026

#### NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

Croell Inc. has requested approval for a Gravel Pit Permit on a parcel of land owned by Brown Trust. The parcel is located on the NWNW Section 7 & SSW Section 6, Township 43 North, Range 96 West, and is part of a non-contiguous parcel more commonly known as 1293 Owl Creek Rd.

A public hearing on this matter will be held before the Hot Springs County Land Use Planning Commission at 6:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 21, 2026 in the Commissioners' meeting room of the County Annex Building located at 117 North 4th Street, Thermopolis, WY. Anyone requiring additional information should call the County Planning Office at 864-2961. Those unable to attend are invited to comment in writing to: County Planning Office, 415 Arapahoe St., Thermopolis, WY 82443, or by e-mail at [planner@hscounty.net](mailto:planner@hscounty.net).

Pub. Jan 8 & 15, 2026 No. 2007

#### Public Notice

There will be a public hearing on Tuesday, February 3, 2026 at 7:00pm. At Town Hall to review the Home Occupation of Darlene Axtell, for yoga classes and massage therapy, at 1130 Arapahoe St., in LDR. For further information, please contact Codes Admin. 864-4442.

Pub. Jan. 15, 2026 No. 2009

STATE OF ) IN THE  
WYOMING ) DISTRICT COURT  
            ) ss.

COUNTY OF ) FIFTH JUDICIAL  
HOT SPRINGS) DISTRICT

Case Number 2025-DR-0000022

Plaintiff/Petitioner: )  
Gwendolyn Carol Hamm )  
vs. )  
Defendant/Respondent: )  
Richard Joseph Hamm )

#### NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

NOTICE TO THE DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT: Richard Joseph Hamm

DEFENDANT/RESPONDENT'S CURRENT ADDRESS: Unknown

You are notified that a case, Case Number 2025-DR-22 has been filed in the Wyoming District Court for the 5th Judicial District located at 415 Arapahoe St., Thermopolis, WY 82443.

The nature of the case is: Compliant for Divorce

The Plaintiff is seeking: A Divorce and Decree of Divorce

Unless you file an Answer or Response or otherwise respond to the Complaint or Petition referenced above within 30 days following the last day of publication of this notice, a default judgment may be taken against you and the Court may grant to the Plaintiff/Petitioner: A Decree of Divorce.

Dated this 18th day of December, 2025

BY CLERK OF COURT:

KRISTINA MCNEFF

CLERK OF DISTRICT COURT/DEPUTY

Pub. Jan. 15, 22, 29 and Feb. 5, 2026  
No.2012

#### NOTICE AND ORDER SETTING PUBLIC HEARING

1. 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 or the Company) request for authority enter and participate in the California Independent System Operator's (CAISO) Extended Day-Ahead Market (EDAM).

The public hearing is set to commence on Thursday, February 5, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., in the Commission's hearing room located at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, in Cheyenne, Wyoming.

2. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, engaged in the business 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.

3. On December 30, 2024, RMP filed a "Notice" that RMP was in the process of preparing to enter and participate in the EDAM. The Company filed the "Notice" based upon a Commission directive to file an Application after discussions with the Company at open meetings held on October 10, 2024, and October 17, 2024.

4. On February 18, 2025, RMP submitted an amended filing pursuant to the provision of Commission Rule, Chapter 3, Section 21(f)(i). The Amended Application seeks Commission approval to allow RMP authority to enter and participate in the CAISO's EDAM stating that the Company's participation will re-

sult in certain reliability, economic and environmental benefits to its Wyoming Customers. The EDAM is an extension of CAISO's Western Energy Imbalance Market (WEIM) RMP has participated in the WEIM since its inception in November of 2014.

5. Wyoming Industrial Energy Consumers (WIEC) and Interwest Energy Alliance petitioned to intervene in this matter, which the Commission granted by Order issued on May 14, 2025. The Office of the Consumer Advocate (OCA) intervened on March 27, 2025, as a matter of right.

6. This is not a complete description of RMP's Application. You may review the Application and its supporting testimony and exhibits at the Commission's office during business hours or online at: <https://dms.woyo.gov/external/public-users.aspx> (enter Record No. 17731).

7. 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. 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 Zoom Meeting and actively participate at:  
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/9933449233>

Or by dialing: 1 669 900 9128 Meeting ID: 993 344 9233

8. 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. 20000-675-EA-24 in all correspondence with the Commission.

Dated: January 6, 2026.

Pub. Jan. 15 & 22, 2026 No. 2010

#### ORDINANCE NO. 2026-01

Ordinance 2026-01. Now Therefore Be It Ordained By the Governing Body Of The Town Of East Thermopolis: An Ordinance establishing minimum requirements of square footage of residential dwellings. This ordinance will have its First Reading at the Regular meeting of the Town Council of the Town of East Thermopolis, 112 E. Warren, on February 3, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.

/s/ Angela Chism, Town Clerk

Pub. Jan. 15, 2026 No. 2013

#### PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Rules, notice is hereby given of the Application of Rocky Mountain Power (RMP or the Company) for a Deferred Accounting Order to record a regulatory asset associated with the differences in incremental costs and revenues between the 2020 PacifiCorp Inter-Jurisdictional Allocation Protocol (2020 Protocol) and the 2026 PacifiCorp Inter-Jurisdictional Allocation Protocol (2026 Protocol), as more fully described below:

1. RMP is a division of PacifiCorp, an Oregon corporation, engaged in the business 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 December 31, 2025, pursuant to Wyoming Statutes §§ 37-2-112 and 37-2-115, the Company filed an Application requesting the Commission issue a Deferred Accounting Order to record and defer a regulatory asset associated with the differences in incremental costs and revenues between the 2020 Protocol and the 2026 Protocol cost allocation methodologies, effective January 1, 2026.

3. The 2020 Protocol expired December 31, 2025. The 2026 Protocol Application is set for hearing on May 26, 2026, in Docket No. 20000-690-EA-25. The 2026 Protocol proposes a new cost allocation methodology across RMP's multiple state service territory that includes Wyoming. The Company requested the deferral to address costs incurred during

in this matter must file with the Commission in writing on or before February 9, 2026. Any intervention request filed

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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 proceeding. Please mention Docket No. 20000-699-EA-25 in your communications.

8. If you wish to intervene or request a public hearing that you will attend, or wish to file a public comment, statement, or protest, and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, please contact the Commission at (307) 777-7427, or in writing at 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications impaired persons may also contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711.

Dated: January 8, 2026.

Pub. Jan. 15 & 22, 2026 No. 2014

## Hot Springs County School District No. 1 Notice of Special Meeting

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Trustees of Hot Springs County School District No. 1 will hold a special meeting in the Board Room, located at 415 Springview, Thermopolis, WY, at 1:30 p.m. on Sunday, January 25, 2026 and 1:30 pm on Monday, January 26, 2026. The purpose of the special meeting will be to conduct a board work session and may include an executive session pursuant to W.S. 16-4-405(a)(iii)

/s/ Jennifer Axtell  
Chairperson, Board of Trustees

Pub. Jan. 25, 2026 No. 2015

## COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS

The Thermopolis Town Council met in regular session on January 6, 2026, at 7 pm at Town Hall. Present were Mayor Adam Estenson, Council members Tony Larson, John Dorman Sr., and Rachel Hughes. Also present were Mayor/Codes Administrative Assistant Jim Jeunehomme, Clerk/Treasurer Tracey Van Heule, Police Chief Pat Cornwell, Public Works Director Basil Sorenson, Town Engineer Anthony Barnett and Town Attorney Marshall Keller. Council member Dusty Lewis was absent.

**AGENDA:** Following the pledge of allegiance, Larson made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to approve the agenda as presented.

**MINUTES:** Dorman made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to approve the Council meeting minutes from December 2 and 16, 2025 and the executive session minutes from December 2, 2025.

**BILLS:** Dorman made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to approve the General, Enterprise and Special Fund bills for December 2025. Council member Larson abstained on the approval of the bill to his business.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:** The following reports were available for review: police, engineering, streets and alleys, water, wastewater, sanitation and landfill. Chief Cornwell noted the new Sergeant, Nicole Anderson would begin duty on January 16, 2026.

**TOWN ENGINEER: SPEED LIMIT SIGN REQUEST:** Barnett noted the Town was recently awarded a Federal Safe Streets and Roads for All planning grant. He stated Broadway from the railroad tracks to the river would be included in the grant. He also noted state statute allows for a one-year decrease in speed due to construction or emergency. Barnett noted there is still additional work scheduled for the bridge. Hughes made a motion, seconded by Dorman and carried to place 20mph signs on Broadway between the railroad tracks and the river, beginning February 1, 2026, for one year.

**TOWN ATTORNEY: THIRD READING OF AN ORDINANCE TO REVISE FOOD PERMIT FEES:** Keller noted there are no changes from the second reading which adds a definition for food truck and food trailer and lowers the transient merchant license from \$300 to \$50 per year. Larson made a motion, seconded by Hughes and carried to approve the third and final reading of the ordinance.

ORDINANCE 883

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING

TOWN CODE, ARTICLE I, PEDDLERS (GREEN RIVER ORDINANCE) SECTION 12-101 AND 12-102, AND ARTICLE II, TRANSIENT MERCHANTS SECTIONS 12-204 TO READ AS FOLLOWS; TO AMEND CODE SECTION 12-205(b); AND TO SET FORTH AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS REGARDING PERMITS, FOOD VENDORS, AND ITINERANT VENDORS.

PASSED ON FIRST READING DECEMBER 2, 2025

PASSED ON SECOND READING DECEMBER 16, 2025

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED ON JANUARY 6, 2026.

**TOWN ATTORNEY: OTHER:** In reference to 117 Fremont, Keller noted Mathewson filed a rule 60 motion on January 5, 2026. In circuit court on January 6, 2026, Judge Luhm granted Mathewson 60 days before eviction, as allowed by rule 60, delaying eviction until March 6, 2026.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL: CLERK/TREASURER IN TRAINING:** Estenson introduced Connie Guntly who will begin training for the Clerk/Treasurer position, as Tracey Van Heule will be retiring.

**MAYOR & COUNCIL: OTHER:** At 7:14pm, Hughes made a motion, seconded by Larson and carried to adjourn. The next council meeting is January 20, 2026, at 7pm.

**BILLS:** AFLAC, Insurance, \$370.26; American Welding, Welding Gas, \$84.87; BCN, Phone, \$99.91; Big Horn Water, Service, \$79; Bobcat Class of 2026, Christmas Decorations, \$175; Carquest, Supplies \$988.37; Caselle, Support, Software \$972; CMI-TECO, Parts, \$882.29; Core & Main, Meter & Parts, \$1,479.18; CR Lock, Service, \$175; Cummins, Repair, \$4,400.02; Discover Thermopolis, Supplies, \$575; Energy Labs, Service, \$6,298; Engineering Assoc., Service, \$17,442.27; Fastenal, Parts, \$1,380.98; Grainger, Parts, \$91.74; Great West Trust, Retirement, \$800; Hanson's Fire Equip., Service, \$1,388.44; Hawkins, Cylinder Fee, \$10; High Plains Power, Service, \$244.48; HSC, PD Phone, \$46.56; HSC Fire District, Contract, \$15,330; HS Vet Clinic, Contract, \$955; HSCSD#1, Fuel, \$3,406.75; IR, Legal Ads, \$1,032.50; Insurance Trust, Premiums, \$32,513; Jadeco, Service, \$959.19; Keller Law, Service, \$4,400; Laird Sanitation, Service, \$100; Lanair, Parts, \$218.35; Napa, Parts, \$993.05; National Band, Tags, \$62.81; NCPERS, Life Ins., \$192; One Call, Locates, \$17.85; The Only Co., Service, \$10,000; O'Reilly, Parts, \$162.13; Postmaster, Postage, \$669.06; Range, Service, \$992.25; Riverton Tire, Tire, \$176; Rocky Mt. Power, Service, \$19,826.95; Team Lab, Supplies, \$187.50; Tegeler, Insurance, \$67,129; Thermopolis Hardware, Supplies, \$219.33; T-Mobile, Phone, \$329.82; Tony's TLC, Contract, \$9,000; TOT General, Labor, \$1,490; TOT, Depreciation, Utilities, \$75,894; Tracey Van Heule, Reimb for 1/2 CPA License., \$95.00; Tractor & Equip, Parts and Service, \$3,147.91; Traveling Computer, Service, \$816.13; Unum, Life Ins., \$94.96; Visa, Supplies, \$2,273.78; VSP, Insurance, \$213.05; Williams Law Office, Service, \$900; WY Secretary of State, Notary, \$60; Workforce Services, Workers Comp, \$4,835.70; WY First Aid, Supplies, \$305.78; WY Gas, Service, \$876.55; WY Retirement, Retirement, \$23,786.97; WY Rural Water, Dues, \$249; WY.Com, Service, \$25; WyonNet, Email, \$252; Youth Alternatives, Services, \$500; Payroll, \$89,823.26; Payroll Taxes, \$29,390.49.

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Adam R. Estenson, Clerk/Treasurer Mayor

Pub. Jan. 15, 2026 No. 2016

## ORDINANCE NO. 883

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING TOWN CODE, ARTICLE I, PEDDLERS (GREEN RIVER ORDINANCE) SECTION 12-101 AND 12-102, AND ARTICLE II, TRANSIENT MERCHANTS SECTIONS 12-204 TO READ AS FOLLOWS; TO AMEND CODE SECTION 12-205(b); AND TO SET FORTH AMENDMENTS TO SECTIONS REGARDING PERMITS, FOOD VENDORS, AND ITINERANT VENDORS

**WHEREAS**, citizens of this community expect their local government to assist them in protecting themselves and their property, preserving their privacy, and avoiding unscheduled annoyances

that disrupt their quiet enjoyment of their homes; and

**WHEREAS**, an important part of the freedom enjoyed by all citizens and residents of the United States is the right to speak freely, to express ideas that may be unpopular, to engage others in debate without government interference, and to exercise these rights of free speech, both personal and commercial; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the duty of the government to ensure and provide for the safety of the public; and

**WHEREAS**, It is the responsibility of all units of government to balance the exercise of these competing interests in a manner consistent with the Constitution of the United States and of Wyoming, while attempting to minimize crime, fraud, harassment, invasion of privacy, and to generally provide for the safety of our citizens; and

**WHEREAS**, the Town of Thermopolis seeks to amend the pricing structure for permits and ensure compliance with funding obligations for solid waste disposal costs through allocation of permit fees.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS, WYOMING:**

### Section 1. Amendment to Definitions

"TRANSIENT MERCHANT, ITINERANT MERCHANT, TRANSIENT AND ITINERANT FOOD VENDOR, OR ITINERANT VENDOR" means any person, whether as owner, agent, consignee, or employee, whether a resident of the town or not, who engages in a temporary business of selling and delivering goods, wares, and merchandise, as well as prepares, offers for sale, or serves any food products within such town, and who, in furtherance of such purposes, hires, leases, uses, or occupies any building, structure, **food truck, food trailer**, motor vehicle, tent, railroad boxcar, or boat, public room in hotels, lodging houses, apartments, shops, or any street, alley, parking lot, or other place within the town, for the exhibition and sale of such goods, wares, and merchandise, as well as prepares, offers for sale, or serves any food products, either privately or at public auction; provided, that such definition shall not be construed to include any person who, while occupying such temporary location, does not sell from stock, but exhibits samples only for the purposes of securing orders for future delivery only. The person so engaged shall not be relieved from complying with the provisions of this chapter merely by reason of associating temporarily with any local dealer, trader, merchant, or auctioneer, or by conducting such transient business in connection with, as part of, or in the name of any local dealer, trader, merchant, or auctioneer.

### Section 2. Food Vendor Licensing

All food vendors, including peddlers selling meat and/or fish, required by Wyoming law to hold a food license, shall obtain and present a valid Wyoming Department of Agriculture Food License prior to receiving a permit from the Town of Thermopolis. All products for sale shall comply with the Wyoming Food Safety Rule for labeling and processing requirements, as well as all requirements of the Wyoming Food, Drug, and Cosmetics Safety Act (Wyo. Statutes § 35-7-109 et seq.).

### Section 3. Permit Fees

The fee for a permit for a transient merchant, itinerant merchant, transient and itinerant food vendor, or itinerant vendor as required by this article shall be fifty dollars (\$50.00) per year, of which **forty dollars (\$40.00) shall be allocated to the Solid Waste Enterprise Fund and ten dollars (\$10.00) shall be allocated to general administrative costs**. No fee shall be required of one selling fruit and/or vegetable products of the farm or orchard actually produced by the seller.

### Section 4. Duration of Permit and Renewal Dates

Each permit will have a maximum duration of one year and shall terminate on December 31 of the year it was granted. The permit can be renewed on or after January 1st of each year. Cost of the license will not be prorated for the remainder of the year if applied for after the first day of January.

**FIRST READING PASSED AND APPROVED, December 2, 2025.**

**SECOND READING PASSED AND APPROVED, December 16, 2025.**

**THIRD READING PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED January 6, 2026.**

TOWN OF THERMOPOLIS

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Adam Estenson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Tracey Van Heule, Town Clerk

Pub. Jan. 15, 2026

No. 2017

## CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION DETERMINATION

For the Town of Thermopolis, Wyoming – Lead Service Line Investigation & Replacement

429 Broadway, Thermopolis, WY

82443

Hot Springs County, Wyoming

The Department of Environmental Quality/Water Quality Division (DEQ) has conducted a review of the proposed Town of Thermopolis - Lead Service Line Investigation & Replacement Project in accordance with EPA and State of Wyoming procedures for implementing the State Environmental Review Process. DEQ has determined that this project is eligible for a categorical exclusion. Accordingly, DEQ is exempting the project from further substantive environmental review requirements under the State Environmental Review Process. Neither an Environmental Assessment/Finding of No Significant Impact nor an Environmental Impact Statement/Record of Decision will be required for the proposed action. The following is a brief description of the situation and the proposed action and a brief statement of how the action meets the criteria for a categorical exclusion.

The town proposes a potholing and replacement project. This project will involve excavating and examining all unknown service lines to determine their material accurately, followed by the replacement of the service lines that meet the EPA requirements for needing to be replaced (lead). Completing this project will ensure full compliance with regulatory requirements.

The Town of Thermopolis completed its service line material inventory in the fall of 2024. From that inventory, they found that they have 1085 unknown service lines and 9 service lines that are known to be lead. These numbers serve as the basis for the project scope and cost estimate for the proposed project. The estimated cost for the entire project, and requested DWSRF loan amount is \$6,081,495 at 0% interest, with a 30-year term, repaid with Town user fees which are not anticipated to increase.

The Town is aware of and accepts the fact that it will be responsible for any required mitigative actions associated with and including storm water runoff, erosion control, archeological/historic artifacts, and air quality concerns. These will be part of the standard State Revolving Funds Program contract conditions.

DEQ is granting an exclusion because the project consists of ground disturbance over existing infrastructure in previously disturbed areas. No work shall occur in the waters of the U.S. DEQ has determined that exempting the proposed project from further review under the State Environmental Review Process will not result in adverse impacts to the population or the area of the Town of Thermopolis, in Hot Springs County, Wyoming.

The determination shall become effective upon distribution by the Department and may be re-evaluated and the determination changed at any time that adverse information is made available. The documentation to support this decision will be on file in the DEQ Cheyenne Office and is available for public review upon request. To request a copy of the categorical exclusion, contact:

Greg Crocker, SRF Project Manager  
Tim Eisenhauer, SRF Principal Engineer

Department of Environmental Quality

200 W. 17th St.

Suite 200

Cheyenne, WY 82002

Tel. (307) 777-6941

FAX (307) 635-1784

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