

NOTICE:

THE SWEETWATER COUNTY BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL MEET ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1, 2026 AT 9:00 A.M. - TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**The meeting will be held at the 80 West Flaming Gorge Way
Meeting Room #115
Green River, Wyoming 82935.**

For the convenience of the public, the Board of County Commissioners' meeting will be held in person and using video conferencing.

Those presenting may appear in person or via Zoom using the meeting invite received by email.

As always, the public is invited to watch the proceedings on the County YouTube channel <https://www.youtube.com/c/SweetwaterCountyGovernment> where the meeting will be broadcast.

The public will be able to comment immediately following the public hearing presentation and also during the public comment section of the agenda.

If you are in need of accommodations beyond the above identified process, please call in advance to discuss other options. If you have any questions about how to participate in a public Board of County Commissioners meeting, please contact Sally Shoemaker at 307-872-3897 or via email at shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov

PRELIMINARY:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL / QUORUM PRESENT

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

9:05- COUNTY RESIDENT COMMENTS/CONCERNS

All members of the public who wish to speak at the meeting will be given 3 minutes of time to address the Commission.

A. 9:15- CONSENT AGENDA

All matters listed on the consent agenda are taken in one motion and one vote. Items pulled from the consent agenda will be discussed and voted on separately.

1. [Approval of the August 18, 2026 Minutes](#)
BOCC
2. [Approval of County Vouchers/Warrants Expenditure Approval Listing \(EAL\) and Commissioner Report](#)
Accounting

3. [Request to Restaff Vacant Position in the Human Resources Office](#)
Garry McLean, HR Director
4. [Request to Restaff Vacant Position in the Attorney's Office](#)
Garry McLean, HR Director
5. [Request to Restaff Vacant Position in Treatment Court](#)
Garry McLean, HR Director
6. [Report on the Number of Network Switches Left to Replace in Next Year's Budget](#)
Tim Knight - IT Director Sweetwater County
7. [Human Service Agreements for the Family Resource Center and Golden Hour Senior Citizen's Center](#)
Cindy Swenson, Sweetwater County Clerk
8. [Ratify the Coalition of Local Governments' Comments on the BLM's Notice of Policy Review on Manual 6320, Considering Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in the BLM Land Use Planning Process](#)
Mary Thoman- County Commissioner
9. [Ratify the Coalition of Local Governments' Comments on Wyoming Public Service Commission's Notice of Rocky Mountain Power's Application for Approval of Its 2026-2028 Wildfire Mitigation Plan \(Record No. 18211\)](#)
Mary Thoman, County Commissioner

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

9:20- Commissioner Richards
Island Richards

9:25- Commissioner Jones
Taylor Jones

9:30- Chairman West
Keaton West

9:35- Commissioner Slaughter
Robb Slaughter

9:40- Commissioner Thoman
Mary Thoman

B. ACTION/PRESENTATION ITEMS

1. [9:45- Fire Restrictions Update](#)
Alan Adams, Fire Warden, SWCT

2. [9:50- UW Extension Office Introductions and Annual Compensation Agreements](#)
Matt Helie, UW Extension Associate Director, Office Administrator Jael Johnson, 4-H Youth Development Programming Chloe Willenborg, and Lindsay Baker
3. [10:05- Contract Award to Alpha Facilities Solutions for Facility Condition Assessment on 314,366 SF of Sweetwater County Buildings](#)
Gene Legerski, Public Works Director
4. [10:15- Irrigation Design Contract for Cross Roads and Reliance Parks](#)
Gene Legerski, Public Works Director
5. [10:20- Sweetwater County Letter of Support for the proposed Rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule](#)
Eric Bingham, Land Use Director
6. [10:25- Health Insurance Renewal for Calendar Year 2027](#)
Garry McLean, HR Director and IMA

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Per Wyo. Stat. §18-3-516(f) County information can be accessed on the County's website at www.sweetwatercountywy.gov
The draft packet will be available on the county website on Friday afternoon (prior to the meeting).



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3897
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: BOCC	Exact Wording for Agenda: Approval of the August 18, 2026 Minutes
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 5 Min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: 2026-08-18 MINUTES WITH ATTACHMENTS.pdf	

INSTRUCTIONS:

- All requests to be added to the agenda, along with handouts and original documents to be signed, must be submitted in writing on the “Meeting Request Form” by Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. prior to the scheduled meeting and returned in person or electronically to Administrative Assistant Sally Shoemaker at: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
*****If your handout is not accompanied with the request, your request may be dismissed and you may reschedule for the next meeting provided the handout(s) are received.*****
- If you are presenting a **Resolution or Proclamation**, it must be submitted in Word Format and emailed to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
- As always, if you are unable to attend the meeting after being placed onto an agenda, please send a representative in your place or your item may be rescheduled.
- In order to determine placement on the agenda, please review the county website sweetwatercountywy.gov on Thursday afternoon by clicking “Commissioner's Agenda”.

- If a request to be placed on an agenda is received **AFTER** the deadline, you will be considered for the next meeting date.

The Board of County Commissioners meets in regular session the first and third Tuesday of every month.

The meetings are open and the public is invited to attend.

The meetings are held in the commission meeting room:

80 West Flaming Gorge Way

Meeting Room #115

Green River, Wyoming

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August 18, 2026
Green River, WY

PRELIMINARY:

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Chairman West opened the meeting with the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL / QUORUM PRESENT

The Board of County Commissioners met this day at 9:00 a.m. in Regular Session with all Commissioners present.

APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Chairman West entertained a motion to approve the agenda as presented.

Mary Thoman moved to approve. Taylor C. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

A) PUBLIC HEARING - PLANNING AND ZONING

A.1) 26-08-ZO-01 A Zoning Map Amendment approximately 4.9 acres more or less to be amended from Commercial (C) to Agricultural (A)

Department: Planning and Zoning

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Planner Kassidee Thompson appeared before the Board to present Resolution 26-08-ZO-01, a Zoning Map Amendment from Commercial to Agricultural, as requested by Curtis Fuit.

Following discussion, Chairman West opened the public hearing. With no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Robb Slaughter moved to approve Resolution 26-08-ZO-01, for approval of a Zoning Amendment from Commercial to Agricultural, as requested by Curtis Fuit. Mary Thoman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

SIGNED RESOLUTION 26-08-ZO-01- A ZONING MAP AMENDMENT FROM COMMERCIAL TO AGRICULTURE REQUESTED BY CURTIS FUIT 

A.2) [26-08-PZ-02 Notice of Intent for Amendments proposed Language Amendment, 2015 Zoning Resolution Section 9 - Home Occupations and 2015 Zoning Resolution Section 21 - Definitions](#)

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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[2015 SWC Zoning Resolution NOI HOP \(002\).docx](#) 

Land Use Director Eric Bingham appeared before the Board to present amendments to the 2015 Zoning Resolution to create less restrictive regulations for home occupations.

Following discussion, Chairman West opened the public hearing. With no comments, the public hearing was closed.

Chairman West entertained a motion to approve the Notice of Intent for Amendments, proposed Language to the 2015 Zoning Resolution Section 9 - Home Occupations and 2015 Zoning Resolution Section 21 - Definitions, as presented.

Mary Thoman moved to approve. Robb Slaughter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

[SIGNED NOTICE OF INTENT- LANGUAGE AMENDMENTS TO THE 2015 SWCO ZONING RESOLUTION SECTION 9 HOME OCCUPATIONS AND 21 DEFINITIONS](#) 

9:35- COUNTY RESIDENT COMMENTS/CONCERNS

Chairman West opened the floor for public comment.

With no comments, Chairman West closed county resident comments/concerns.

B) 9:45- CONSENT AGENDA

B.1) Approval of the August 4, 2026 Minutes

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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B.2) Approval of County Vouchers/Warrants Expenditure Approval Listing (EAL) and Commissioner Report

Department: County Clerk

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[EAL Approval Listing 8-18-2026.pdf](#) 

[COMMISSIONERS REPORT 8-18-2026.pdf](#) 

AUGUST 18, 2026			
WARRANT NO.s	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
50738-50985 & 131088-131098	EMPLOYEES AND PAYROLL VENDORS	PAYROLL RUN	1,517,392.42
50731	OPTUM BANK 76411492	CONTRIBUTIONS	1,285.00
50732	OPTUM BANK 76411492	CONTRIBUTIONS	1,867.50
50733	OPTUM BANK 76411492	CONTRIBUTIONS	2,348.66
50734	OPTUM BANK 76411492	CONTRIBUTIONS	8,366.44
50735	OPTUM BANK 76411492	CONTRIBUTIONS	187.50
50736	REILLY, CARLA SULLIVAN	FEES	1,604.18
50737	SOUTHWEST COUNSELING SERVICE	SERVICES	6,900.00
50986	CASTLE ROCK HOSPITAL DISTRICT	BUDGET ALLOCATION	138,758.94
50987	SOUTHWEST COUNSELING/MENTAL HEALTH	BUDGET ALLOCATION	32,650.00
50988	SOUTHWEST COUNSELING SERVICE	GRANT EXPENSES	25,871.60
50989	ROBERT A SPENCE	FEES	1,000.00
50990	STAFFORD, NANCY	MILEAGE	698.90
50991	SWEETWATER COUNTY HEALTH BOARD	BUDGET ALLOCATION	24,429.08
50992	SWEETWATER COUNTY LIBRARY	BUDGET ALLOCATION	267,363.17
50993	SWEETWATER TROPHIES AND ENGRAVING	SHIPPING	33.46
50994	YWCA OF SWEETWATER COUNTY	GRANT EXPENSES	4,795.00
131033	AIRGAS USA LLC	SUPPLIES	68.20
131034	ALSCO UNIFORMS	SERVICES	66.38

131035	AT&T MOBILITY	PHONE BILL	44.28
131036	BEST WESTERN - RAMKOTA HOTEL CASPER	LODGING	244.08
131037	BRADY INDUSTRIES OF UTAH LLC, A BRADYPLUS COMPANY	CLEANERS	1,153.63
131038	BRIDGERLAND CARQUEST	PARTS	81.22
131039	CAPITAL BUSINESS SYSTEMS INC	CONTRACT	41.49
131040	CENTURYLINK	PHONE BILL	66.99
131041	DANA SAFETY SUPPLY	UNIFORMS	1,155.31
131042	TIMOTHY A EAGLER, ATTORNEY AT LAW LLC	FEES	412.50
131043	ENVIROTECH SERVICES LLC	CMAQ PROJECT	208,155.03
131044	F B MCFADDEN WHOLESALE COMPANY	STOCK	1,174.00
131045	FARSON FEED STORE	FUEL	526.08
131046	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	PARTS	103.40
131047	GRAINGER	PARTS	87.36
131048	GREEN RIVER ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES/PARTS	51.96
131049	HOMAX OIL SALES INC	FUEL	51,119.12
131050	INBERG-MILLER ENGINEERS	CONTRACT	31,093.10
131051	INTOXIMETERS INC	MOUTHPIECES	180.00
131052	ISI WATER CHEMISTRIES	SERVICE	962.17
131053	J D POWER	BOOKRV	391.00
131054	KENWORTH SALES COMPANY	PARTS	945.77
131055	LARIMER COUNTY CORONER	FEES	250.00
131056	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	42.52
131057	LEWIS & LEWIS	ROAD BASE	4,868.18
131058	LONGHORN CONSTRUCTION INC	SERVICES	15,040.27
131059	LOPEZ, CRYSTAL	MILEAGE	339.30
131060	LOPEZ, STEPHANIE J	TRANSCRIPTIONS	150.15
131061	MOUNTAIN BAY SCUBA 06	AIR	30.00
131062	MOUNTAINLAND SUPPLY COMPANY	PARTS	481.53
131063	NORTH SWEETWATER WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	60.00
131064	OFFICE SHOP INC	CONTRACT	37.89
131065	ONE TIME VENDOR	JURY FEES	51.00
131066	ERIC F PHILLIPS LAW OFFICE	FEES	187.50
131067	PT HOSE & BEARING	PARTS	841.25

131068	QUILL CORPORATION	ENVELOPES	338.11
131069	R AND D SWEEPING AND ASPHALT MAINTENANCE LC	CONTRACT	4,629.25
131070	ROCK SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	SUPPLIES/PARTS	252.82
131071	ROCK SPRINGS, GREEN RIVER,	BUDGET ALLOCATION	248,382.85
131072	ROCKY MTN POWER	UTILITIES	15,106.70
131073	SKAGGS COMPANIES INC	PANELS	69.95
131074	STATE OF WYOMING	SUBSCRIPTION	160.37
131075	SWEETWATER COUNTY WEED & PEST DISTRICT	HERBICIDE	252.70
131076	TERMINIX OF WYOMING	SERVICE	341.00
131077	THE INN AT LANDER	LODGING	204.00
131078	THOMAS Y. PICKETT & COMPANY INC	CONTRACT	53,000.00
131079	TREVIPAY - WALMART	DRINKS/DISPENSER/TV MOUNT	94.38
131080	VERMEER MOUNTAIN WEST INC	PARTS	255.29
131081	VIQ SOLUTIONS INC	TRANSCRIPTIONS	163.68
131082	WELLS FARGO - 9183	LODGING/CREDITS/BELT DRIVE/ADS/TRAININGS	2,960.88
131083	WINSUPPLY ROCK SPRINGS WY CO	TEST LEAD SET	50.97
131084	WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY - WLEA	TRAINING	380.00
131085	WYOMING MACHINERY COMPANY	PARTS	1,115.81
131086	WYOMING OFFICE OF GUARDIAN AD LITEM	GAL FEES	21,951.97
131087	WYOMING RENTS	RENTAL	115.00
131099	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC	HOSE/MARKERS/ENVELOPES/ASHTRAY/CABLE TIES/TOOLS/GATORADE/PHONE ACCESSORIES/MEASURING STICK/TAPE DISPENSER/FOLDING TABLE/WIPES/HDMI RECEIVER/DRIVE BELTS	1,276.05
131100	BETTER BUSINESS PLANNING INC	FEES	1,217.34
131102	BOYS 'N BERRYS LLC	TOOLS	88.25
131103	BRADY INDUSTRIES OF UTAH LLC, A BRADYPLUS COMPANY	STOCK	6,170.28
131104	BRIDGER VALLEY ELECTRIC ASSN	UTILITIES	20.38
131105	BULLER, AMANDA	POSTAGE	41.35

131106	CAMPBELL COUNTY	TITLES	298.65
131107	CASTILLON D.D.S. LLC, A. BRYCE	INMATE DENTAL	3,132.00
131108	CENTURYLINK	PHONE BILL	1,621.32
131109	COPIER & SUPPLY CO INC	CONTRACTS	7,641.11
131110	CUMMINS SALES AND SERVICES	MAINTENANCE	7,305.00
131111	DANA SAFETY SUPPLY	EQUIPMENT	354.37
131112	ENBRIDGE GAS UT WY ID	UTILITIES	12.00
131113	GRAINGER	PARTS	2,644.04
131114	GREEN RIVER STAR	AD	36.00
131115	IMA INC	FEES	6,300.00
131116	JOINT POWERS TELECOM BOARD	AGREEMENT	90,000.00
131117	KENWORTH SALES COMPANY	PARTS	891.13
131118	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	521.25
131119	LEGERSKI LAWN CARE	LAWN CARE	2,000.00
131120	MADSEN CONSTRUCTION INC	CONTRACT	365,993.34
131121	MAGNET FORENSICS	LICENSE	13,345.00
131122	MCKESSON MEDICAL-SURGICAL GOVERNMENT SOLUTIONS LLC	MEDICAL SUPPLIES	464.30
131123	MOUNTAINLAND SUPPLY COMPANY	PARTS	18.83
131124	NOREGON SYSTEMS LLC	ADAPTER KIT	916.76
131125	OFFICE SHOP INC	CONTRACTS	297.59
131126	OLDCASTLE INC	PARTS	2,109.96
131127	ONE TIME VENDOR	JUROR FEES	49.65
131128	PT HOSE & BEARING	PARTS	52.38
131129	QUADIENT LEASING USA INC	INK	883.50
131130	ROCK SPRINGS, INC.	PARTS	1,020.54
131131	ROCKY MTN POWER	UTILITIES	1,348.24
131132	SHADOW MOUNTAIN WATER OF WYOMING INC	WATER/RENTAL	71.75
131133	SLAUGHTER, ROBERT D	MILEAGE	68.15
131134	SMITH POWER PRODUCTS INC	PARTS	2,710.64
131135	SMYTH PRINTING INC	CHECKS	593.00
131136	STAPLES ADVANTAGE - DEPT LA	SUPPLIES	196.98
131137	SWEETWATER COUNTY FAIR	BUDGET ALLOCATION	152,627.33
131138	SWEETWATER COUNTY MUSEUM	BUDGET ALLOCATION	28,557.50
131139	THE TIRE DEN INC	TIRES	7,110.86

131140	THOMSON REUTERS-WEST PAYMENT CENTER	SUBSCRIPTION	3,979.00
131141	TOWN OF WAMSUTTER	UTILITIES	40.00
131142	TYLER TECHNOLOGIES INC	MICROFILM	231.38
131143	UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY INC	PHONE BILL	52.56
131144	VISIX, INC	SUBSCRIPTION	4,095.00
131145	VONAGE BUSINESS	PHONE BILL	1,185.10
131146	WACO	WACO REGISTRATION	300.00
131147	WEST SIDE SEWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	7,176.00
131148	WESTERN WYOMING BEVERAGES	WATER	255.00
131149	WEVOLVE COUNSELING, LLC	SERVICES	1,000.00
131150	WYOMING DEPARTMENT OF	UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE	1,130.94
131151	WYOMING LAW ENFORCEMENT ACADEMY - WLEA	ID CARD	20.00
131152	WYOMING MACHINERY COMPANY	PARTS	1,872.55
131153	WYOMING SECRETARY OF STATE	NOTARY	60.00
131154	WYOMING SECRETARY OF STATE	NOTARY	60.00
131155	WYOMING WASTE SERVICES	UTILITIES	145.93
		GRAND TOTAL:	3,438,702.27

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B.3) **Approval of Bonds**

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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B.4) **Approval of Monthly Reports**

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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B.5) **Human Services Agreements**

Department: County Clerk

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[Boys and Girls Club 2026-27 Budget Agreement.pdf](#) 

[CLIMB WYOMING 2026-27 BUDGET AGREEMENT.pdf](#) 

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[SIGNED FY 2026-2027 HUMAN SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR CLIMB WYOMING](#) 

[SIGNED FY 2026-2027 HUMAN SERVICE AGREEMENT FOR THE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB OF SWCO](#) 

B.6) **Ratify Catering Permit for Eden Saloon and RV Park for a Wedding at Farson Community Hall**

Department: County Clerk

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[Eden Saloon Application for Catering Permit.pdf](#) 

Chairman West entertained a motion to approve the consent agenda as presented.

Island Richards moved to approve. Taylor C. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

The Commission encouraged residents to exercise their privilege to vote.

9:50- Commissioner Thoman

Department: Board of County Commissioners

Commissioner Thoman reported participating in a Federal Partners meeting via Zoom.

Commissioner Thoman shared that she watched the debates and attended the Green River Festival and opening day at Sweetwater Downs.

Commissioner Thoman reported attending the Library Board meeting, where members reviewed library programs and check-out statistics, and noted that the Library Board will present its annual report during the second meeting in September.

Commissioner Thoman provided an overview of her upcoming schedule.

9:55- Commissioner Richards

Department: Board of County Commissioners

Commissioner Richards reported joining Chairman West and Land Use Director Eric Bingham, with representatives from Williams, to discuss a planned pipeline project to provide additional natural gas capacity to WE Soda.

Commissioner Richards reported participating in the weekly power coalition call and attending the monthly Enterprise meeting at Sweetwater Memorial Hospital, which featured an update from Western Wyoming Community College President Dr. Kirk Young.

Commissioner Richards shared that he participated in the Rock Springs Chamber candidate Meet-and-Greet, the Rock Springs Chamber candidate debates, and attended the Rock Springs Main Street Farmers Market.

Commissioner Richards reported attending the monthly Federal Partners meeting with representatives from the BLM Lander Field Office and Congresswoman Harriet Hageman's Office. Commissioner Richards shared that he met with stakeholders and representatives of an industrial business considering locating in Rock Springs.

Commissioner Richards reported attending an online meeting of the Southwest Wyoming Power Generation Taskforce and participated in a follow-up power coalition call to coordinate legislative testimony.

Commissioner Richards reported traveling to Cheyenne, where he toured a 125MW data center under construction and met with Cheyenne Mayor Patrick Collins and Laramie County Commissioner Ty Zwonitzer regarding data center operations, water usage, and local impacts. Commissioner Richards noted working with the Land Use Department to draft zoning regulations for potential data centers and short-term rentals, and explained that the Land Use Department will bring forward proposals in October.

Commissioner Richards reported participating in a KREO radio broadcast, followed by an on-site tour of the Mesa drainage area with Public Works Director Gene Legerski to inspect recent flooding and evaluate drainage easements.

Commissioner Richards provided an overview of his upcoming schedule.

Commissioner Richards acknowledged National Volunteer Firefighters Recognition Day and Helium Discovery Day.

10:00- Commissioner Jones

Department: Board of County Commissioners

Commissioner Jones shared that he spoke with representatives from Williams regarding their upcoming pipeline project.

Commissioner Jones reported attending the monthly Sweetwater Snowpokes Snowmobile Club meeting, the ATV Fun Run in the Upper Green, the Rock Springs Chamber Candidate Meet-and-Greet, the candidate debates, and the Green River Shrimp Boil.

Commissioner Jones reported attending the Memorial Hospital of Sweetwater County Board of Trustees meeting, noting that the Wyoming Department of Health conducted an unannounced inspection of dialysis and critical access, which the hospital passed successfully. Commissioner Jones added that he met with Kandi Pendleton and Kari Quickenden to discuss hospital-related matters.

Commissioner Jones reported attending the Enterprise Committee meeting, which featured an update from Western Wyoming Community College President Dr. Kirk Young.

Commissioner Jones shared that he joined Chairman West and representatives from WE Soda to discuss trona industry updates, and also joined Public Works Director Gene Legerski and Chairman West for an on-site tour of the Mesa drainage system.

10:05- Chairman West

Department: Board of County Commissioners

Chairman West reported meeting with representatives from Williams to discuss the Mountain West Overthrust Pipeline project.

Chairman West shared that he attended a Leadership Luncheon with the Mayors for Rock Springs and Green River and representatives from the Rock Springs Chamber, where they discussed various topics, including the future of ambulance service.

Chairman West reported joining Commissioner Jones for a meeting with representatives from WE Soda to discuss the future of the trona industry, and also joined Public Works Director Gene Legerski and Commissioner Jones for an on-site tour of the Mesa drainage system. Chairman West noted that without the dedicated drainage easement, the county will continue to assist where feasible, and expressed appreciation to the Public Works staff for their efforts in helping the community.

Chairman West reported that Sweetwater Events Complex Director Kandi Pendleton provided an update on the success of the county fair and noted that Ms. Pendleton will deliver a formal presentation to the Board at a future meeting.

Chairman West provided an overview of his upcoming schedule.

10:10- Commissioner Slaughter

Department: Board of County Commissioners

Commissioner Slaughter shared that he attended the Boys and Girls Club 250 Celebration open house, toured the facility, reviewed youth programs, attended Art on the Green and the Shrimp Festival, and watched the debates.

Commissioner Slaughter reported attending the Federal Partners meeting, where reports were provided regarding hiring and wild horse gathers, updates on regional resource management plans, and the Conservation District mill levy ballot initiative.

Commissioner Slaughter shared that Sweetwater Now interviewed him for the "WHYoming" feature on local residents.

Commissioner Slaughter reported that he prepared and conducted the Specific Purpose Tax Joint Powers Board meeting, noting the monthly distributions, year-to-date collections of \$57,263,844.65, and the engagement of McGee, Hearne, and Paiz for the annual audit.

Commissioner Slaughter reported attending the STAR Transit Board meeting, where they provided ridership data, funding challenges, bus sales, and vehicle fleet updates.

Commissioner Slaughter also reported attending the Tripartite Board quarterly meeting, where they reviewed low-income population activities and approved FY27 funding for STAR Transit, YWCA, Sweetwater Family Resource Center, and the Rock Springs Young at Heart Senior Center.

Commissioner Slaughter reported attending the Planning and Zoning meeting and the Rock Springs Chamber Luncheon featuring a presentation by Laura Dale on County Museum operations.

C) ACTION/PRESENTATION ITEMS

C.1) 10:15- Approval of District Board of Health Environmental Health Fee Increases

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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[Final 2026 Rules and Regulations NOTICE BY THE DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH OF ITS INTENTION TO AMEND CHAPTER II.docx](#) 

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[RESOLUTION 2026-08-CC-01- APPROVING THE FEES AND FEE AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE SWCO DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH.pdf](#) 

Sweetwater County District Board of Health Director Kimberly Lionberger appeared before the Board to present the 2026 rules and regulations notice and proposed fee increases, following the

required public hearing process and the Board of Health's final adoption of the fee amendments on July 29, 2026.

Ms. Lionberger explained that, pursuant to W.S. 35-1-305(c), approval by the Board of County Commissioners is required following adoption by the Board of Health.

Following discussion relative to the certification requirements, Chairman West entertained a motion to approve Resolution 2026-08-CC-01, approving the fees and fee amendments established by the Sweetwater County District Board of Health as presented.

Taylor C. Jones moved to approve. Mary Thoman seconded the motion. The motion carried.

[SIGNED RESOLUTION 2026-08-CC-01- APPROVING FEES AND FEE AMENDMENTS ESTABLISHED BY THE SWCO DISTRICT BOARD OF HEALTH](#) 

C.3) [10:30- Change Order #1 \(Time Only\) Layos Drive \(CR#1243\) Reconstruction Project](#)

Department: Public Works

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[Change Order #1-Layos Drive \(Time Only\).pdf](#) 

Due to being ahead of schedule, Public Works Director Gene Legerski appeared before the Board to present Change Order Number 1 for the Layos Drive Reconstruction Project.

Mr. Legerski explained that the change extends the contract time by 32 calendar days because of critical-path delays related to culvert material lead times, third-party utility relocation, and additional subgrade stabilization work.

Following discussion, Chairman West entertained a motion to approve Change Order #1, for time only, to the Layos Drive (CR#1243) Reconstruction Project and allow the Chairman to sign all necessary documents.

Island Richards moved to approve. Taylor C. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

[SIGNED CHANGE ORDER 1 - LAYOS DRIVE RECONSTRUCTION PROJECT](#) 

C.5) [10:55- Resolution 26-08-EN-01 Drainage Easement \(US191S & CR#51 Blairtown Connector Road\)](#)

Department: Public Works

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[Resolution CR#51 and 191S Drainage Easement.pdf](#) 

[Drainage Easement Signed \(August 2026\).pdf](#) 

[Drainage Easement 08-10-26 Exhibit A.pdf](#) 

Public Works Director Gene Legerski appeared before the Board to present Resolution 26-08-EN-01, regarding a drainage easement for Parcel Number 1805-07-3-04-015-00 located at US 191 S and County Road #51 (Blairtown Connector Road).

Chairman West entertained a motion to approve Resolution 26-08-EN-01 regarding a drainage easement for Parcel Number 1805-07-3-04-015-00 located at US 191 S and County Road #51 (Blairtown Connector Road), as presented.

Island Richards moved to approve. Robb Slaughter seconded the motion. The motion carried.

[SIGNED RESOLUTION 26-08-EN-01- DRAINAGE EASEMENT PARCEL NO 1805-07-3-04-015-00](#) 

C.2) **10:20- Lodging Tax Presentation**

Department: Board of County Commissioners

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Sweetwater County Travel and Tourism President & CEO Jenissa Meredith appeared before the Board to present information on the proposed 2% local option lodging tax.

Ms. Meredith outlined the purpose and economic impact of the tax, which is scheduled for voter reauthorization on the upcoming November general election ballot.

The Commission expressed appreciation for the presentation.

C.4) **10:35- Presentation of the Feasibility Study for the Rock Springs Youth Home**

Department: Public Works

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[Sweetwater Crisis Center County Commission Board 2026_08_18.pdf](#) 

Public Works Director Gene Legerski, Treanor Principal Kat DiPietro, and Project Architect DeLisa Johnson appeared before the Board to present the Feasibility Study for the Rock Springs Youth Home.

Ms. DiPietro explained that the proposed expansion aims to modernize and expand the Sweetwater Crisis Center and Youth Home to align with Department of Family Services (DFS) strategic goals for prevention, community support, and trauma-informed care.

Ms. DiPietro provided a presentation explaining the key project components to include completing

the feasibility study, ensuring regulatory compliance, securing funding, and developing a safe, community-integrated facility to address growing local needs and support youth outcomes.

Following discussion regarding the estimated cost, the dialogue with the Youth Home Board and the community, and the easement, the Board expressed appreciation for the presentation.

C.6) **11:00- Award of Cisco Network Switches Bid**

Department: Purchasing Department

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[CISCO SWITCHES BID OPENING.xlsx](#) 

Purchasing Director Marty Dernovich and IT Director Tim Knight appeared before the Board to present bid results for the Cisco Network Switch project.

Ms. Dernovich recommended awarding the bid to 954 Consultant for the alternate optic option in the amount of \$109,513.91.

Chairman West entertained a motion to approve the contract bid to 954 Consultant for the alternate optic option in the amount of \$109,513.91.

Taylor C. Jones moved to approve. Island Richards seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Ms. Dernovich and Mr. Knight requested Board approval to purchase additional switches to take advantage of available cost savings. Following discussion, the Board concurred with moving forward with the purchase; however, requested that Mr. Knight provide a detailed list for review and place it on a future meeting agenda.

11:15- EXECUTIVE SESSION

1. Personnel

Chairman West entertained a motion to enter into executive session for personnel.

Mary Thoman moved to approve. Taylor C. Jones seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman West entertained a motion to exit the executive session and reconvene the regular meeting, noting that action was not required.

Taylor C. Jones moved to approve. Island Richards seconded the motion. The motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board of County Commissioners this day, the meeting was adjourned subject to the call of the Chairman. This meeting is available on the Sweetwater County YouTube channel and the County website. Links for specific meetings are

available on the County website. County Clerk Office Manager/Executive Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners, Sally Shoemaker, respectfully submitted the minutes.

ATTEST:

Cynthia L. Swenson, County Clerk

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
OF SWEETWATER COUNTY, WYOMING

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Island Richards, Member

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Robb Slaughter, Member

Mary E. Thoman, Member



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3754
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Accounting	Exact Wording for Agenda: Approval of County Vouchers/Warrants Expenditure Approval Listing (EAL) and Commissioner Report
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 5 minutes	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: EAL Approval Listing 9-1-2026.pdf COMMISSIONER REPORT 09-01-2026.pdf Oversight on Advice number 51004.pdf	

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	DATE	AMOUNT	WARRANT #'S	ADVICE #'S
EAL	8/13/2026	1,314,934.53	131156-131224	50997-51003
EAL	8/13/2026			51004 Advice number missed in oversight
EAL	8/21/2026	208,330.39	131226-131269	51010-51011
EAL				
EAL				
			Check #	Advice #
Payroll Run		7,025.44	131225	51005-51009
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Payroll Run				
Payroll Run				
TOTAL AMOUNT		\$1,530,290.36		

Vouchers in the above amount are hereby approved and ordered paid this date of 9/1/2026

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Taylor C. Jones, County Commissioner

Island Richards, County Commissioner

Robert D. Slaughter, County Commissioner

Attest:

County Clerk

Mary E. Thoman, County Commissioner

SEPTEMBER 1, 2026

WARRANT NO.s	PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
51005-51009 & 131225	EMPLOYEES AND PAYROLL VENDORS	PAYROLL RUN	7,025.44
50997	307 TIRE LLC	REPAIR	45.00
50998	REILLY, CARLA SULLIVAN	FEES	4,131.26
50999	RICHARDS, ISLAND D	MILEAGE	259.97
51000	SOUTHWEST COUNSELING SERVICE	GRANT EXPENSES	21,924.54
51001	SWCO CONSERVATION DISTRICT	BUDGET ALLOCATION	8,868.34
51002	WEX BANK	FUEL	15,785.37
51003	WEX BANK	FUEL/DEF	9,299.59
51004	ADVICE NUMBER MISSED IN OVERSIGHT		0.00
51010	DARKTRACE HOLDINGS LIMITED	SUBSCRIPTION	84,793.00
51011	SWEETWATER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER	GRANT EXPENSES	11,905.71
131156	ALL WEST COMMUNICATIONS	INTERNET	439.49
131157	APPLICANTPRO HOLDINGS, LLC	SUBSCRIPTION	4,362.00
131158	AT&T MOBILITY	PHONE BILL	49.75
131159	AUTOSPA	WASH	14.00
131160	AUTOZONE LLC	BATTERY	487.37
131161	AXON ENTERPRISE INC	SUBSCRIPTION	207,604.16
131162	BAKER, LINDSAY	MILEAGE/MEAL	439.48
131163	BOYS 'N BERRYS LLC	TOOLS	244.80
131164	BRIDGER VALLEY ELECTRIC ASSN	UTILITIES	135.69
131165	BRIDGERLAND CARQUEST	PARTS	1,208.09
131166	C&A TOOLS LLC	TOOLS	101.90
131167	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	TRAVEL	5,192.24
131168	CARVER M.D., JOHN D	AUTOPSY	1,350.00
131169	CITY OF GREEN RIVER	RENT	3,372.87
131170	CLEARVIEW IMPROVEMENT & SERVICE DISTRICT	UTILITIES	211.10
131171	CONTINENTAL BATTERY SYSTEMS	BATTERIES	348.95
131172	DECKER AUTO GLASS/THE GLASS WAREHOU	WINDSHIELD	530.00
131173	DELTA DENTAL	PREMIUMS/CLAIMS	33,212.99
131174	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	LICENSE/MAINTENANCE/WARRANTY	40,309.83
131175	FIRST CHOICE FORD	PARTS	4,522.90
131176	FLEETPRIDE	PARTS	284.15
131177	FLOYD'S TRUCK CENTER	PARTS	473.96
131178	GREEN RIVER STAR	ADS	11,010.00
131179	HARRIS GOVERN FT COLLINS USER GROUP INC	DUES	150.00
131180	HCC LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	FEES	81,096.40
131181	HOMAX OIL SALES INC	GEAR LUBE/NOAT/GUARDOL	49,088.47
131182	IMA INC	FEES	799.28
131183	INMAN ROOFING INC	CONTRACT	12,287.19
131184	K-PACK PHARMACY	INMATE RX	4,199.53
131185	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	125.44
131186	LR COMMUNICATIONS INC	INTERNET	64.95
131187	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF SWEETWATER CO	TITLE 25	14,623.15

131188	NAPA AUTO PARTS UNLIMITED	PARTS	307.60
131189	NORTH SWEETWATER WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT	UTILITIES	60.00
131190	ONE TIME VENDOR	JURY FEES	153.00
131191	PT HOSE & BEARING	PARTS	887.51
131192	PYE BARKER FIRE & SAFETY	REPAIR	2,110.00
131193	REVIZE LLC	ANNUAL FEES	9,500.00
131194	ROCK SPRINGS ACE HARDWARE	PROPANE	39.10
131195	ROCK SPRINGS MUNICIPAL UTILITY	UTILITIES	8,544.27
131196	ROCKY MTN POWER	UTILITIES	14,663.77
131197	ROTECH HEALTHCARE INC.	INMATE MEDICAL	62.42
131198	SANCHEZ, JOE D.	CLOTHING/NOTARY/STAMP/BOOK	392.78
131199	SHADOW MOUNTAIN WATER OF WYOMING INC	RENTAL	13.50
131200	SIDELINE COLLECTIONS INC	RANDOMS	375.00
131201	STAPLES ADVANTAGE - DEPT LA	TONER	139.00
131202	STREAMLINE SUPPLY, NUTECH SPECIALTI	SODA	190.60
131203	SUMMIT FOOD SERVICE LLC	INMATE MEALS	36,513.93
131204	SWEETWATER CO CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER	REIMBURSEMENT	16,957.39
131205	SWEETWATER COUNTY FIRE DISTRICT #1	FIRE PROTECTION	1,600.00
131206	SWEETWATER COUNTY INSURANCE	PREMIUMS	534,128.26
131207	THE LINCOLN NATIONAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY	PREMIUMS	23,082.80
131208	THE TIRE DEN INC	TIRES	200.00
131209	THE UPS STORE - #3042	SHIPPING	176.27
131210	TOWN OF WAMSUTTER	FIRE PROTECTION	18,144.00
131211	TREANOR INC	CONTRACT	27,286.85
131212	UMR INC	FEES	16,182.56
131213	UNION TELEPHONE COMPANY INC	PHONE BILL	905.36
131214	VISION SERVICE PLAN	PREMIUMS	9,645.54
131215	WACO	WACO REGISTRATION	900.00
131216	WESTERN-EGI	TESTING	483.75
131217	WESTFAX INC	FAXES	154.30
131218	WILLIAM H SMITH & ASSOCIATES INC	GIS SERVICES	21,180.00
131219	WY BRAND INDUSTRIES	SIGNS	965.84
131220	WYODATA SECURITY INC	SHREDDING	1,755.00
131221	WYOMING DEPT OF WORKFORCE SERVICES	WORKERS' COMPENSATION	15,153.90
131222	WYOMING MACHINERY COMPANY	PARTS	71.31
131223	WYOMING WASTE SERVICES	UTILITIES	3,838.67
131224	YOUNG AT HEART CENTER	GRANT EXPENSES	9,516.05
131226	ALSCO UNIFORMS	SERVICES/CREDIT	199.14
131227	AMAZON CAPITAL SERVICES INC	EAR PIECES/CALENDAR/PICTURE FRAMES/MEDICAL SUPPLIES/ERASERS/LEGAL PADS/CHARGERS/DRY ERASE BOARD/STICKERS/BADGES	511.62
131229	BOB BARKER COMPANY INC	COMMISSARY	58.27
131230	BRADY INDUSTRIES OF UTAH LLC, A BRADYPLUS COMPANY	STOCK	3,441.55
131231	CARDMEMBER SERVICE	REGISTRATION/FEES/TRAVEL	3,816.51
131232	CARDMEMBER SERVICE - 6379	POSTAGE	158.33
131233	CITY OF ROCK SPRINGS	RENT	1,265.94
131234	COMMUNICATION TECHNOLOGIES INC	RENT	175.00

131235	DANA SAFETY SUPPLY	PANTS	302.25
131236	DELL MARKETING L P	PROCESSORS/DESK TOPS	66,028.20
131237	EDA ARCHITECTS INC	CONTRACT	7,533.40
131238	ELECTION SYSTEMS & SOFTWARE INC	SERVICES	1,876.00
131239	F B MCFADDEN WHOLESALE COMPANY	STOCK	660.00
131240	GRAINGER	PARTS	1,940.68
131241	HARD HEAD VETERANS LLC	GEAR	3,615.36
131242	HIGH SECURITY LOCK & ALARM	LOCK	438.00
131243	HOMAX OIL SALES INC	FUEL	525.00
131244	HOME DEPOT CREDIT SERVICES	SUPPLIES/TOOLS	1,478.57
131245	ISI WATER CHEMISTRIES	SERVICE	962.17
131246	LAWSON PRODUCTS INC	SUPPLIES	36.90
131247	LOPEZ, STEPHANIE J	TRANSCRIPTIONS	73.15
131248	MEMORIAL HOSPITAL OF SWEETWATER CO	BLOOD DRAW	104.00
131249	MID-AMERICAN RESEARCH CHEMICAL CORP	SUPPLIES	155.29
131250	MORCON SPECIALTY	SUPPLIES	19.81
131251	MOUNTAIN STATES LITHOGRAPHING LLC	BOOKS	110.28
131252	NMS LABS	ANALYSIS	1,291.00
131253	PLAINSMAN PRINTING & SUPPLY	REGISTRATION FORMS	257.00
131254	PYE BARKER FIRE & SAFETY	REPAIR	515.00
131255	R S REFRIGERATION SUPPLY	PARTS	67.86
131256	REAL KLEEN JANITORIAL	STOCK	1,175.40
131257	ROCKY MTN POWER	UTILITIES	3,457.38
131258	SPRINGHILL SUITES BY MARRIOTT	LODGING	110.00
131259	SUNCORE CONSTRUCTION AND MATERIALS INC	ROCK	1,601.13
131260	SWEETWATER PLUMBING & HEATING	PARTS	124.20
131261	SWEETWATER TRANSIT AUTHORITY	GRANT EXPENSES	600.00
131262	SYMBOL ARTS	BADGES	177.50
131263	TACTICALGEAR.COM	BOOTS	320.99
131264	TERMINIX OF WYOMING	SERVICES	341.00
131265	THE MASTER'S TOUCH LLC	MAILINGS/POSTCARDS	790.94
131266	UNIFORMS 2 GEAR INC	CAPS/STARS/UNIFORMS	535.88
131267	VERIZON WIRELESS	PHONE BILL	2,633.12
131268	WYODATA SECURITY INC	SHREDDING	655.00
131269	ZORO	STOCK	321.86
GRAND TOTAL:			1,530,290.36

Oversight on Advice number 51004

Due to an oversight, advice number 51004 was skipped in our system, but this does not affect payments in anyway. The missed advice number has been documented and will not be used for any future advices issues.



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3910/swchr@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Garry McLean, HR Director	Exact Wording for Agenda: Request to Restaff Vacant Position in the Human Resources Office
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: consent agenda	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: Request to Restaff Temporary HR Specialist.pdf	

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Sweetwater County
Request to Restaff - Cost Summary Sheet

Board Meeting Date: 9/1/2026

Department: Human Resources

Position: Human Resources Specialist

Vacancy Date: 7/2/2026

Reason for Vacancy: Employee retired

Requesting to temporarily restaff the vacant position to

Department Request: cover the office and meet training needs.

Anticipated Restaff Date: 8/21/2026

Benefits		Previous Costs to Staff Position	Anticipated Costs to Staff Position	Net difference
	Human Resources	Human Resources		
	Job Title	Specialist	Specialist	
	Full-time/Part-time	Full-time	Temporary	
	Hire Date	7/17/2000	8/21/2026	
	Grade	20	20	
	Step	8	8	
	Monthly Salary	\$7,264.26	\$1,257.30	
	Retirement	\$1,388.93	\$0.00	
	Health Insurance	\$2,368.33	\$0.00	
	LTD	\$23.10	\$0.00	-\$23.10
	FICA	\$555.72	\$96.18	-\$459.53
	Workers Comp	\$34.87	\$2.77	-\$32.10
	Total Benefits	\$4,370.94	\$98.95	-\$4,271.99
	Total Monthly Cost of Employment	\$11,635.20	\$1,356.25	-\$10,278.95
	Total Annual Cost of Employment	\$139,622.41	\$16,274.99	-\$123,347.42
	Net Difference	-\$123,347.42		

Notes:

*Total work time is estimated to be 50-75 hour of temporary employment.

*Insurance benefits will not be provided, as this is a temporary position.

Alyx Menyhun

Reviewed by HR Representative (signature)

08-12-2026

Date

[Signature]

Reviewed by Department Head/Elected Official (signature)

8-12-26

Date

Commission Chair (signature)

Date



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Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: consent agenda	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
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Board Meeting Date: 9/1/2026

Department: County Attorney's Office

Position: Deputy County and Prosecuting Attorney

Vacancy Date: 08/21/2026

Reason for Vacancy: Resignation

Department Request: Request to restaff position full time, with benefits

Anticipated Restaff Date: 10/1/2026

	Previous Costs to Staff Position	Anticipated Costs to Staff Position	
Job Title	Deputy County Attorney III	Deputy County Attorney II	
Full-time/Part-time	Full-time	Full-time	
Hire Date	12/2/2024	10/1/2026	
Grade	31	28	
Step	2	5	Net difference
*Monthly Salary	\$10,099.09	\$9,818.95	-\$280.14
Retirement	\$1,930.95	\$1,877.38	-\$53.56
**Health Insurance	\$1,177.15	\$3,612.47	\$2,435.32
LTD	\$33.73	\$32.80	-\$0.94
FICA	\$772.58	\$751.15	-\$21.43
Workers Comp	\$127.25	\$123.72	-\$3.53
Total Benefits	\$4,041.66	\$6,397.52	\$2,355.86
Total Monthly Cost of Employment	\$14,140.75	\$16,216.47	\$2,075.72
Total Annual Cost of Employment	\$169,688.95	\$194,597.60	\$24,908.65

Benefits

Net Difference **\$24,908.65**

Notes:

*Attorney II level rate of pay is referenced above at Grade 28, step 5, \$117,827.40/annual. Potentially staffing at the lateral entry rate of pay which would be Attorney III, Grade 31, step 5, (10 years prior experience), \$136,399.44/annual

**Insurance is anticipated at a family cost. Former employee enrolled in employee only coverage.

Alyx Monaghan

Reviewed by HR Representative (signature)

08-24-2026

Date

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Reviewed by Department Head/Elected Official (signature)

8/24/2026

Date

Commission Chair (signature)

Date



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Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Garry McLean, HR Director	Exact Wording for Agenda: Request to Restaff Vacant Position in Treatment Court
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: consent agenda	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
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[Request to Restaff Treatment Court's Coordinator.pdf](#)

Board Meeting Date: 9/1/2026
 Department: Treatment Court
 Position: Treatment Court Coordinator
 Vacancy Date: 8/24/2026
 Reason for Vacancy: Resignation
 Department Request: Requesting to restaff the position.
 Anticipated Restaff Date: 10/1/2026

		Low	High
Benefits	Job Title	Coordinator	Treatment Court
	Full-time/Part-time	Full-time	Full-time
	Hire Date	7/1/2025	7/1/2025
	Monthly Salary	\$4,166.67	\$5,833.33
	Retirement	\$796.67	\$1,115.33
	Health Insurance	\$2,368.33	\$3,572.32
	FICA	\$318.75	\$446.25
	Workers Comp	\$52.50	\$73.50
	Total Benefits	\$3,536.25	\$5,207.40
	Total Annual Cost of Employment	\$92,435.01	\$132,488.79

Notes:

- * 100% of the costs for this position will be reimbursed from the Wyoming Supreme Court
- * This will be an employment contract
- * Former employee enrolled in employee and spouse health insurance coverage. High cost is showing family coverage.

Amy Menyhun

Reviewed by HR Representative (signature)

8-24-2026

Date

[Signature]

Reviewed by Department Head/Elected Official (signature)

8/24/26

Date

Commission Chair (signature)

Date



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: knightt@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Tim Knight - IT Director Sweetwater County	Exact Wording for Agenda: Report on the Number of Network Switches Left to Replace in Next Year's Budget
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: N/A	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? No SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: Switch Replacement Plan 2027 - 2028.xlsx	

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Sweetwater County
Network Switch Replacements

Location	Device	Number	Estimated Budget / each		FY 2027	
Health and Human Services	9300 Core	2	\$	25,000.00	\$	50,000.00
Health and Human Services	9200 Edge	5	\$	12,000.00	\$	60,000.00
GR Courthouse	9200 Edge	2	\$	12,000.00	\$	24,000.00
Detention Center	9200 Edge	6	\$	12,000.00	\$	72,000.00
Sheriff's	9200 Edge	5	\$	12,000.00	\$	60,000.00
Justice Center	9200 Edge	13	\$	12,000.00	\$	156,000.00
						16
Total Budget		33			\$	422,000.00
					\$	218,000.00

Because of the additional 9 switches that we were able to purchase this year, we will have 17 to purchase next year for an estimated cost

FY 2028

	4
	13
	17
\$	204,000.00

of \$204,000



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3759 swensonc@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Cindy Swenson, Sweetwater County Clerk	Exact Wording for Agenda: Human Service Agreements for the Family Resource Center and Golden Hour Senior Citizen's Center
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: N/A	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
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FY 2026-2027 AGREEMENT
BETWEEN
THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR SWEETWATER COUNTY
AND
THE SWEETWATER FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into by and between the Sweetwater County Board of County Commissioners, a body corporate and politic, 80 West Flaming Gorge Way, Green River, Wyoming, 82935-4250, and the Sweetwater Family Resource Center, 649 N Front Street, Unit A, Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Sweetwater County, Wyoming, hereinafter the “COUNTY,” has budgeted funds to provide for certain services to the residents of Sweetwater County, Wyoming; pursuant to W.S. § 39-13-104(b)(i)(E) and W.S. § 18-2-112;

WHEREAS, the Sweetwater Family Resource Center hereinafter “FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER”, is willing, able and capable of providing the services herein specified to the citizens of Sweetwater County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Sweetwater County that it enter into an agreement with FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER to furnish services to the citizens of Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Term.** The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
2. **Services.** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER agrees to provide the following assistance to residents of Sweetwater County:
 - a. The Supervised Visitation and Exchange Program provides a safe, monitored place for non-custodial parents to spend time with their child(ren). The program provides visitation and exchange times in the evening and on weekends in Green River and Rock Springs. The program is also available in cases where there is a no-contact Order.
 - b. The Family Independence Program provides for basic needs in the form of rent, utility and basic needs assistance. Case managers provide emergency financial help that is immediately necessary, then provide guidance for other resources and assist in problem solving to help residents achieve independence.

- c. The program provides emergency shelter and basic needs assistance for those that are homeless and in need of shelter. Assistance includes the same follow-up in terms of providing guidance for other resources and problem solving to achieve more permanent housing.
3. **Funding.** The COUNTY has budgeted, appropriated, or otherwise made available up to a maximum amount of \$20,000.00 for FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER expenses in providing the services identified in this Agreement. The COUNTY'S total liability shall not exceed said amount. The payment of all amounts hereunder is subject to final approval of the preliminarily budgeted amount, the availability of County funds and to FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER'S compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.
4. **Payments.** The parties hereto mutually agree that the FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER shall submit vouchers to the COUNTY on or before the 25th day of each month during the contract term for review, approval and payment by the COUNTY. Pursuant to said vouchers, the COUNTY shall disburse the total award of \$20,000.00 in twelve (12) monthly installments as follows: each of the first eleven (11) monthly installments shall be in the amount of One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Six and 67/100 Dollars (\$1,666.67), and the twelfth (12th) and final monthly installment shall be in the amount of One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-Six and 63/100 Dollars (\$1,666.63), so that the sum of all twelve installments equals Twenty Thousand and 00/100 Dollars (\$20,000.00). In no event shall the COUNTY'S total payments under this Agreement exceed the maximum amount of \$20,000.00 set forth in the Funding section above.
5. **Responsibilities of Family Resource Center:** Family Resource Center shall:
 - a. Use the budgeted, allocated and appropriated funds only to provide the services specified herein.
 - b. Insure that the staff hired by FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER is qualified.
 - c. Insure that a good and sufficient fidelity bond covers all personnel handling money.
 - d. Comply with all requirements for identifying eligible recipients for receiving benefits, and render services in accordance with all established guidelines, rules or regulations, to the extent funds are made available.
 - e. Insure that no person shall be discriminated against in employment, or be excluded from participation in or be denied the benefits of any activity funded in whole or in part with the funds made available under this Agreement on the grounds of race, color, national origin, age, sex, handicap or disability.
 - f. Maintain detailed minutes of all FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER board meetings. The minutes shall include a list of all checks issued and their correct amounts, except for checks identifying individual clients which may be consolidated so that individual clients cannot be identified. The minutes shall be made available for

public inspection during regular business hours. The minutes shall comply with all applicable laws, rules and regulations concerning confidentiality of client records. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER may use executive sessions for the discussion of personnel or client matters where permitted by applicable law.

- g. Allow the COUNTY to examine FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER'S financial records at any time.
- h. Insure that a certified public accountant will conduct an annual independent financial and compliance audit and provide the COUNTY with a copy of the audit.
- i. Comply with all federal, state and local laws, rules and regulations applicable to FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER with respect to the services provided pursuant to this Agreement.
- j. Provide regular reports to the COUNTY concerning the services provided and the funds expended pursuant to this Agreement.

6. **County Responsibilities:** the COUNTY shall:

- a. Consult with and advise FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER as necessary with respect to the completion of FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER responsibilities under this Agreement.
- b. Make monthly payments to FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER based on vouchers received from FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER, in twelve (12) monthly installments as set forth in the Payments section of this Agreement, up to the total maximum amount allocated pursuant to this Agreement, subject to the budgeting, allocation and availability of funds and to FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER'S compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

7. **Indemnification.** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER shall indemnify and hold harmless the COUNTY, its officials, officers, agents and employees from and against any and all liabilities, claims and demands and causes of action of any kind or character, including death, or damages of any nature whatsoever to any person or property, arising out of the acts or omissions of FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER, its officers, agents, employees or other persons, in the performance or non-performance of this Agreement. This provision shall not be interpreted, construed or regarded either expressly or impliedly as creating a right of action for the benefit of or creating any obligation toward any third person by the COUNTY.

8. **County Immunity.** The COUNTY does not waive its sovereign or governmental immunity by entering into this Agreement and fully retains all immunities and defenses provided by law with regard to any claim or action based on this Agreement.

9. **FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER Status.** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER represents

that it is managed by its own independent board of trustees.

10. **Assignment.** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER may not assign this Agreement, or its rights, duties or obligations therein, without the prior written consent of the COUNTY, which consent will not be unreasonably withheld.
11. **Termination.** This Agreement may be terminated by either party, with or without cause, upon thirty (30) days written notification to the other party and subject to the settlement of all outstanding accounts within thirty (30) days of the date of termination.
12. **Disclosure of Position and Salaries.** FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER shall provide to COUNTY a list of all its full-time positions and wages or salaries paid each position (no names of employees), to the COUNTY on or before the first Monday of March. FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER acknowledges that the COUNTY will publish this information in the County's official newspaper and the County's website.
13. **General Provisions.**
 - a. **Entire Agreement.** This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties and supersedes all prior negotiations. The parties acknowledge that there are no other agreements that have not been fully set forth herein.
 - b. **Amendments.** This Agreement may be amended or modified only by the prior written consent of both parties.
 - c. **Severability.** If any provision or portion of this Agreement is held unconstitutional, invalid or otherwise unenforceable, the COUNTY shall have the right at its sole option to declare the Agreement void and enter into negotiations with FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER for a new Agreement.
 - d. **Headings.** Headings used in this Agreement are provided for the convenience of the parties and shall not be deemed or construed to affect the substance of the Agreement.
 - e. **Waiver.** Failure by either party to enforce the terms of this Agreement shall not operate as a waiver of any future enforcement.
 - f. **Counterparts.** This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which will together be deemed an original, but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. If any signature is delivered by facsimile transmission, electronic mail of a PDF format data file or otherwise, or electronic signature, such signature shall create a valid and binding obligation of the party executing (or on whose behalf such signature is executed with the same force and effect as if such signature were an original thereof).
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Green River, Wyoming 82935-4250

ii. In the case of FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER:

The Sweetwater County Family Resource Center
649 N Front Street, Unit A
Rock Springs, Wyoming 82901

Any notice delivered by United States mail shall be deemed received three (3) days after the date of mailing.

Dated this ____ day of _____ 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
SWEETWATER COUNTY, WYOMING

By: _____
Keaton D. West, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
for Sweetwater County, Wyoming

ATTEST:

Cynthia L. Swenson
Sweetwater County Clerk

Dated this ____ day of _____ 2026.

THE SWEETWATER COUNTY
FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER

By: Shari West
Title: Executive Director

ATTEST:

Shari West

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AND
GOLDEN HOUR SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER

THIS AGREEMENT made and entered into by and between the Sweetwater County Board of County Commissioners, a body corporate and politic, 80 West Flaming Gorge Way, Green River, Wyoming, 82935-4250, and Golden Hour Senior Citizen's Center, 550 Uinta Drive, Suite A, Green River, Wyoming 82935-5005.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Board of County Commissioners for Sweetwater County, Wyoming, hereinafter the "COUNTY," has budgeted funds to provide for certain services to the residents of Sweetwater County, Wyoming; pursuant to W.S. § 39-13-104(b)(i)(E) and W.S. § 18-2-112;

WHEREAS, Golden Hour Senior Citizen's Center, hereinafter "GOLDEN HOUR", is willing, able and capable of providing the services herein specified to the citizens of Sweetwater County, Wyoming; and

WHEREAS, the COUNTY has determined that it is in the best interests of the citizens of Sweetwater County that it enters into an agreement with GOLDEN HOUR to furnish services to the citizens of Sweetwater County, Wyoming.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS MUTUALLY AGREED AS FOLLOWS:

1. **Term.** The term of this Agreement shall be from July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027.
2. **Services.** GOLDEN HOUR agrees to provide the following services to residents of Sweetwater County, Wyoming:
 - a. **Meal Program:** includes the Home Delivery Meal Program, meals served to senior patrons in a congregate setting at the center and meals available for pick-up.
 - b. **Activities for Seniors:** includes chair yoga, chair volleyball, Zumba, billiards, bingo, pinochle and mental health and nutrition classes.
3. **Funding.** The COUNTY has budgeted, appropriated, or otherwise made available up to a maximum amount of \$165,000.00 for GOLDEN HOUR expenses in providing the services identified in this Agreement. The COUNTY'S total liability shall not exceed said amount. The payment of all amounts hereunder is subject to the availability of COUNTY funds and to GOLDEN HOUR'S compliance with the terms and conditions of this Agreement.

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5. **Responsibilities of GOLDEN HOUR:** GOLDEN HOUR shall:
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Dated this 12 day of August 2026.

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR
SWEETWATER COUNTY, WYOMING

By: _____
Keaton D. West, Chairman
Board of County Commissioners
for Sweetwater County, Wyoming

ATTEST:

Cynthia L. Swenson
Sweetwater County Clerk

Dated this ____ day of _____ 2026.

GOLDEN HOUR
SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER.

By: Sharon Shedd
Title: Vice Chair

ATTEST:

Title: _____

Human Services Agreements
September 1, 2026

The Sweetwater Family Resource Center	\$ 20,000.00
Golden Hour Senior Citizen's Center	\$165,000.00
Total	\$185,000.00

Signed this 1st Day of September 2026.

Sweetwater County
Board of County Commissioners

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Taylor C. Jones, Member

Island Richards, Member

ATTEST:

Robert D. Slaughter, Member

Cynthia L. Swenson, County Clerk

Mary E. Thoman, Member



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3897
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Mary Thoman- County Commissioner	Exact Wording for Agenda: Ratify the Coalition of Local Governments' Comments on the BLM's Notice of Policy Review on Manual 6320, Considering Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in the BLM Land Use Planning Process
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 5 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
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COALITION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

1689 COUNTY ROAD 263
FORT BRIDGER, WY 82933

COUNTY COMMISSIONS FOR LINCOLN, SWEETWATER, AND UINTA - WYOMING, AND DAGGETT- UTAH;
AND CONSERVATION DISTRICTS FOR LINCOLN, LITTLE SNAKE, STAR VALLEY, SWEETWATER,
AND UINTA - WYOMING

August 14, 2026

VIA Regulations.gov

Stevan Pearce
Director, Bureau of Land Management
U.S. Department of the Interior
1849 C. St. NW, Room 5646
Washington, DC 20240

Re: Comments on the BLM's Notice of Policy Review on Manual 6320, Considering
Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in the BLM Land Use Planning Process

Dear Mr. Pearce,

The Coalition of Local Governments (Coalition) submits the following comments on the Bureau of Land Management's (BLM) notice of policy review of Manual 6320, Considering Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in the BLM Land Use Planning Process. 91 Fed. Reg. 35996 (June 15, 2026). The Coalition appreciates the opportunity to provide local government perspectives on this policy review and welcomes the opportunity to improve BLM's land use planning process. The Coalition recognizes the BLM's obligation to inventory the natural resources on public lands, including the potential wilderness character of an area. These inventories are then used during the land use planning process to help determine how the BLM should manage the land and minimize impact to specific resources when it is necessary. However, this planning authority cannot take the place of other processes that are in place, such as the designation of wilderness under Section 603 of the Federal Land Policy and Management Act (FLPMA). In addition, the BLM must still manage public lands under principles of multiple use, so the "various resource values. . . are utilized in the combination that will best meet the present and future needs of the American people." 43 U.S.C. § 1702(c). It is important that the BLM continue to recognize its limitations and not use the identification of lands with wilderness characteristic to create *de facto* wilderness areas.

I. Statement of Interest

The Coalition is a voluntary association of local governments organized under the laws of the State of Wyoming and Utah to educate, guide, and develop public land policy in the affected counties. Wyo. Stat. §§ 11-16-103, 11-16-122, 18-5-201; Utah Code § 17-27a-102(1)(a). Coalition members include Lincoln County, Sweetwater County, Uinta County, Daggett County, Lincoln

Conservation District, Sweetwater County Conservation District, Uinta County Conservation District, Little Snake River Conservation District, and Star Valley Conservation District. The Coalition serves many purposes for its members, including the protection of vested rights of individuals and industries dependent on utilizing and conserving existing resources and public lands, the promotion and support of habitat improvement, the support and funding of scientific studies addressing federal land use plans and projects, and providing comments on behalf of members for the educational benefit of those proposing federal land use plans and land use projects.

The Coalition members have a long history of working alongside both state and federal agencies on proposed projects, plan revisions, and rule revisions impacting state and federal resources and lands. Both the Counties and the Districts have authority to protect the public health and welfare of Wyoming and Utah citizens while promoting and protecting public lands and water resources. Wyo. Stat. §§ 11-16-122, 18-5-208; Utah Code § 17-27a-102(1)(a). The Districts have statutory authority to develop and implement comprehensive resource use and management plans for range improvement and stabilization, conservation of soil, water and vegetative resources, control and prevention of soil erosion, and for flood prevention. Wyo. Stat. § 11-16-122(xvi). The Districts' jurisdiction includes matters pertaining to the acquisition, construction, operation or administration of any land utilization, soil conservation, erosion control, erosion prevention, flood prevention projects, conservation of water, water utilization, disposal of water in watershed areas, and other water projects. Wyo. Stat. § 11-16-122(xix). In carrying out this statutory authority, the Districts are working "to stabilize ranching and farming operations, to preserve natural resources, protect the tax base, control floods, prevent impairment of dams and reservoirs, preserve wildlife, protect public lands, and protect and promote the health, safety and general welfare of the people of this state." Wyo. Stat. § 11-16-103(b). The Districts also work cooperatively with federal agencies in the development and implementation of federal land use plans to ensure consistency with local land and resource plans. Wyo. Stat. § 11-16-122(viii).

By statute, the Wyoming Counties are "deemed to have special expertise on all subject matters for which it has statutory responsibility, including but not limited to, all subject matters directly or indirectly related to the health, safety, welfare, custom, culture and socio-economic viability of a county." Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 18-5-208. As such, the Counties "may regulate and restrict . . . the use, condition of use or occupancy of lands for residence, recreation, agriculture, industry, commerce, public use and other purposes in the unincorporated area of the county." Wyo. Stat. Ann. § 18-5-201. Daggett County also possesses the general land use authority to protect the tax base, foster the state's agricultural and other industries, facilitate growth, and provide for the health, safety, and welfare of its citizens. Utah Code § 17-27a-102(1)(a)(i)-(ii), (iv), (vi).

II. Clarification on Outcomes of Considering Lands with Wilderness Characteristics in Land Use Planning

The BLM Manual 6320 correctly describes BLM's ability to inventory public lands to determine if they possess wilderness characteristics while recognizing that the inventory alone does not change management of the lands nor require the BLM to protect those characteristics.

BLM Manual 6320 at p. 1-3; see 43 U.S.C. § 1711(a). It is the Section 202 land use planning process where the BLM has the ability to protect the wilderness character through specific standards and management direction. See 43 U.S.C. § 1712. However, the BLM goes one step too far by stating that a possible outcome of the planning process is the “creation of a wilderness study area under Section 202 of FLPMA.” BLM Manual 6320 at p.1-3. BLM’s general land use planning authority does not authorize the designation of Wilderness Study Areas or the ability to impose wilderness non-impairment standards.

Until the enactment of Federal Land Policy and Management Act (“FLPMA”), BLM lacked statutory authority to study and make wilderness recommendations for public lands. H. Rep. No. 1163, 94th Cong., 2nd Sess., pp.1, 19 (May 15, 1976), reported in 1976 U.S. CODE CONG. ADMIN. NEWS 6175; see also Coggins C., *The Law of Public Range Management III: A Survey of Creeping Regulation at the Periphery*, 17 ENV’T. LAW 295, 305 (1982). Under Section 603 of FLPMA, Congress extended to BLM discrete authority to inventory, study and recommend wilderness areas over a 15-year period. 43 U.S.C. § 1782(a). While Congressional review of the recommended wilderness areas occurs, these areas – Wilderness Study Areas – are to be managed to not impair the suitability of such areas for wilderness designation. 43 U.S.C. § 1782(c). FLPMA did not provide the BLM authority to manage additional areas after this period ended to protect newly discovered wilderness character under the non-impairment standard.

Sections 201 and 202 of FLPMA allow the BLM to inventory public lands for wilderness characteristics and to manage those resources under the principles of multiple use. 43 U.S.C. §§ 1711(a), 1712. But Section 202 does not give the BLM authority to designate or create new Wilderness Study Areas as a means to bypass the limited authority granted to the BLM under Section 603. See *Colorado Env’t Coal. The Wilderness Society*, 161 IBLA 386, at *7-8 (2004). The BLM should not be designating or classifying any new Wilderness or Wilderness Study Areas.

The Coalition would recommend the BLM revise Manual 6320 and 6330 to recognize the limited authority as it relates to the creation of new Wilderness Study Areas. The BLM can minimize impacts to wilderness characteristics on public lands through specific management restrictions established during the land use planning process. But this is as far as the BLM is entitled to go under FLPMA.

III. Congressional Authorization Required for Withdrawals

The BLM Manual 6320 identifies certain land use plan decisions that could protect lands with wilderness characteristics, including recommending withdrawal from mineral entry or excluding specific uses (i.e. oil and gas leasing, right-of-way development, etc.). BLM Manual 6320 at p. 1-6 – 1-7. The Coalition agrees that such decisions are allowed but that the BLM needs clarification regarding its authority to exclude one of the principal or major uses, or to withdraw certain lands from mineral entry.

FLPMA requires that any management decisions that excludes one or more of the principal or major uses for two or more years for an area 100,000 acres or more shall be reported to Congress

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and subject to their approval. 43 U.S.C. § 1712(e)(2). In addition, any withdrawal aggregating 5,000 acres or more for a period of not more than 20 years requires Congressional approval. 43 U.S.C. § 1714(c)(1). This deserves clarification under Manual 6320 based on previous experience where the agency has attempted to make these types of decision in the land use planning process without the necessary Congressional approval.

IV. Continued Evaluation of Identified Lands with Wilderness Characteristics

The Coalition would also encourage the BLM to include discussion within the Manual about the continued evaluation of those lands that have been identified as having wilderness character and that have specific management prescriptions to protect those characteristics. There may be a point where either the lands wilderness character is lost or other resource values have more importance and require reconsideration of certain management prescriptions. Unlike designated Wilderness, the BLM has the ability to revise the boundaries and management prescriptions of lands with wilderness character.

The Coalition appreciates the BLM offering the public an opportunity to comment on this policy review for Manual 6320 and would further encourage an additional review for Manual 6330 to address the concerns discussed above.

Sincerely,

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Eric South, Chairman
Coalition of Local Governments



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Re: Coalition of Local Governments' Comments on Wyoming Public Service
Commission's Notice of Rocky Mountain Power's Application for Approval of
Its 2026-2028 Wildfire Mitigation Plan (Record No. 18211)

Dear Commission,

The Coalition of Local Governments ("Coalition") submits these comments on the Wyoming Public Service Commission's ("Commission") notice of Rocky Mountain Power's ("RMP") Application for Commission review and approval of its 2026-2028 Wildfire Mitigation Plan ("WMP"). Docket No. 20000-716-ER-26, Record No. 18211. The Coalition appreciates that RMP has committed to filing and updating its WMP and taking the requisite actions to minimize the risk of wildfires. It is also important that RMP coordinate and cooperate with federal land management agencies, Wyoming State Forestry, and county and local fire districts on wildfire mitigation and wildfire suppression efforts. Coordinated proactive planning is necessary to ensure the maximum prevention and suppression of wildfires, especially in times of drought where wildfire risks are heightened.

The Coalition is a voluntary association of local governments organized under the laws of their respective States to educate, guide, and develop public land policy in the affected counties and to protect the natural resources within the respected counties. Wyo. Stat. Ann. §§ 11-16-103, 11-16-122, 18-5-201; Utah Code § 17-27a-102(1)(a). Coalition members include Lincoln County, Sweetwater County, Uinta County, Daggett County, Lincoln Conservation District, Sweetwater County Conservation District, Uinta County Conservation District, Little Snake River Conservation District, and Star Valley Conservation District. The Coalition serves many purposes for its members, including helping to develop local government plans and policies, the protection of vested rights of individuals and industries dependent on utilizing and conserving existing resources and public lands, the promotion and support of fish and wildlife habitat improvement, the support and funding of scientific studies addressing federal land use plans and projects, and providing comments on behalf of members for the educational benefit of those proposing federal land use plans and land use projects.

RMP provides power to residents throughout Wyoming, including a significant number of the residents, ranchers, farmers, and other businesses in Sweetwater, Lincoln, and Uinta Counties. The residents and businesses, including the agricultural operations, of these Counties are therefore would be directly impacted by any wildfires caused by RMP's equipment or power outages associated with wildfires that put RMP's equipment at risk. Therefore, the Coalition supports the actions identified in RMP's WMP to help reduce wildfire risk associated with transmission lines and other utility equipment.

RMP has developed an inspection schedule for its assets, which includes visual inspections, detailed inspections, and more enhanced infrared inspections. WMP at 20-22. The inspection of equipment is vital to determining whether there are any encroachments, damage, or defects that could compromise RMP's system or potentially be the cause of a wildfire if a spark occurs. The Coalition would also encourage RMP to address how any of these inspection schedules may change for aging infrastructure and infrastructure that is nearing the end of its useful life. Old and outdated equipment can emit sparks that catch fire in nearby vegetation, and increased energy demand on the same outdated equipment strains the system and heightens wildfire risk. Therefore, having detailed inspections occur every 5 to 10 years may not be sufficient for the older infrastructure. These inspections should occur more frequently when the infrastructure has been identified as being close to the end of its useful life. The Coalition would suggest a similar inspection schedule identified for overhead main grid assets greater than 200 kV for all older infrastructure – visual inspections every year and detailed inspections every two years.

Section 5 of the WMP describes the vegetative management program that RMP has adopted, which includes specific vegetative clearance from transmission lines and poles. Many of the rights-of-way for the transmission system go through federally managed lands and are subject to specific federal permit requirements. RMP should also acknowledge that these federal right-of-way permits may require additional vegetative clearance requirements beyond those described in RMP's Transmission and Distribution Vegetation Management Program Standard Operating Procedures and incorporated into the WMP.

The Coalition appreciates the RMP's willingness to partner with public and private entities to implement habitat enhancement efforts to support the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy and Forest Service Wildfire Crisis Strategy. WMP at 27. These types of partnerships are necessary to allow more projects to be completed in areas that are at high risk of severe wildfire. The Coalition members are also open to these partnerships and collaborative efforts to aide in the efforts to reduce wildfire risk in their communities. We also request RMP to coordinate and communicate with local governments and fire districts on other projects related to vegetative management and other preventative actions, as well as during any wildfire suppression activities.

The WMP places a lot of emphasis around Heightened Fire Risk Areas (“HFRA”), which is important for purposes of determining what actions are necessary at these locations to help reduce the risk of a utility caused wildfire. However, additional discussion should be included in Section 10 about wildfire suppression efforts in HFRA and other locations where RMP’s infrastructure is located. In particular, there should be discussion about what occurs when an federal or state agency determines to let a wildfire burn without active suppression efforts versus when full suppression efforts occur for other wildfires, such as human caused wildfires. RMP’s own responses may be different depending upon the level of suppression.

The asset inspections and vegetative management actions within RMP’s WMP are important to reduce wildfire risks around and near RMP’s assets. As RMP also acknowledges, improving existing assets through modification or full replacement is also one of the best tools for reducing wildfire risk associated with aging infrastructure. The Coalition encourages RMP to continue assessing its infrastructure and to make necessary improvements to outdated assets. The Coalition appreciates the Commission’s consideration of these comments.

Sincerely,

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Eric South, Chairman
Coalition of Local Governments

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BEFORE THE WYOMING PUBLIC SERVICE
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ROCKY MOUNTAIN POWER

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2026–2028

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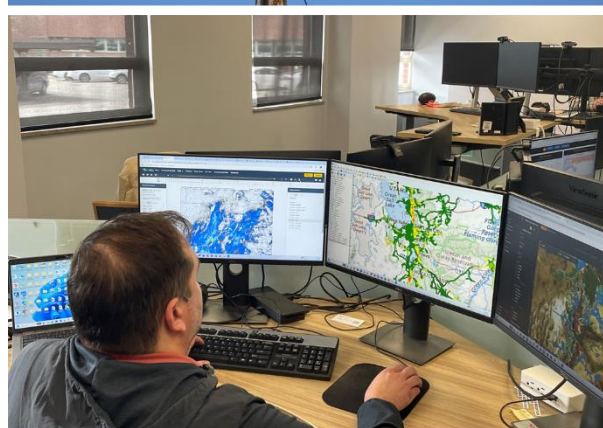
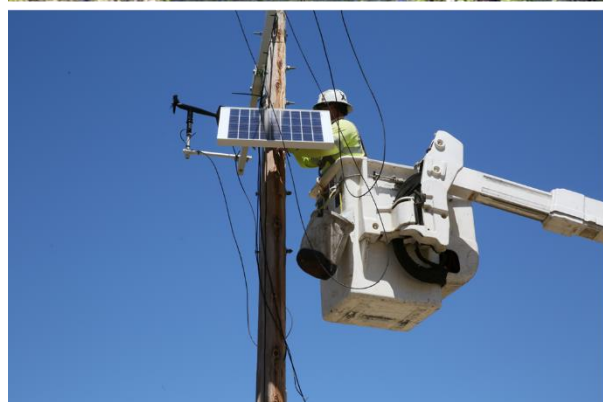


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Abbreviations Used in This Plan

<u>Abbreviation</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Abbreviation</u>	<u>Term</u>
AFN	Access and Functional Needs	NFDRS	National Fire Danger Rating System
BCR	Benefit–Cost Ratio	PMV2	Planning Model Version 2
CFAN	Cellular Field Area Network	PSPS	Public Safety Power Shutoff
CFCI	Communicating Faulted Circuit Indicator	QA/QC	Quality Assurance/Quality Control
CMI	Customer Minutes Interrupted	SCADA	Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition
ECC	Emergency Coordination Center	SCAN	Substation Control Advanced Network
EPRI	Electric Power Research Institute	SME	Subject Matter Expert
ESS	Enhanced Safety Settings	SOP	Standard Operating Procedure
FERM	Fire and Emergency Response Manager	WFA-E	Wildfire Analyst Enterprise
FPI	Fire Potential Index	WHP	Wildfire Hazard Potential
GIS	Geographic Information System	WMP	Wildfire Mitigation Plan
HFRA	Heightened Fire Risk Area	WRF	Weather Research and Forecasting
ICE	Interruption Cost Estimate	WRGC	Wildfire Risk Governance Committee
IWRMC	International Wildfire Risk Mitigation Consortium	WSGC	Wildfire Scoping Governance Committee
NESC	National Electrical Safety Code		

1. Introduction

1.1 Purpose

Rocky Mountain Power is committed to making long-term investments in wildfire risk reduction and system resiliency, with a focus on safeguarding communities. This wildfire mitigation plan (WMP) summarizes the company's mitigation strategies in Wyoming. These efforts are designed to reduce the risk of utility-related wildfires and proactively mitigate the damage they cause to our communities and Rocky Mountain Power facilities. This WMP complies with Wyoming Statute §§ 37-3-401 through 37-3-405.

In evaluating which wildfire mitigation strategies to deploy in Wyoming, Rocky Mountain Power is guided by the following core principles:

- Regular utility equipment inspections and routine vegetation management are important components of maintaining a safe and reliable electric system.
- The risk of a utility-related ignition can be reduced by engineering more resilient systems that experience fewer disruptions.
- When a disruption occurs, the risk of igniting a fire can be minimized by using equipment and personnel to isolate the issue and shorten its duration.
- Situational awareness and operational readiness enable the company to take timely, appropriate action before and during wildfires to protect equipment and safeguard the public.

Rocky Mountain Power also considers the impact its wildfire mitigation efforts have on Wyoming customers and communities and seeks to balance costs, benefits, operational impacts, and risk mitigation with the overall imperative of providing safe, reliable, and affordable electric service.

1.2 Service Territory

Rocky Mountain Power, a division of PacifiCorp, serves more than 1.3 million customers in Wyoming, Utah, and Idaho. Table 1-1 provides details of the company's Wyoming operations.

Table 1-1: Wyoming Operations (applicable to 37-3-403(a)(i))

Component	Total
Customers	~145,000
Total substations	180
Circuit miles of transmission	3,000+
Circuit miles of distribution	9,000+
Square miles of Wyoming service territory	38,000+

Figure 1-1 shows Rocky Mountain Power's Wyoming service territory. Figures 1-2 and 1-3 show land ownership and vegetation types within the service territory, respectively.

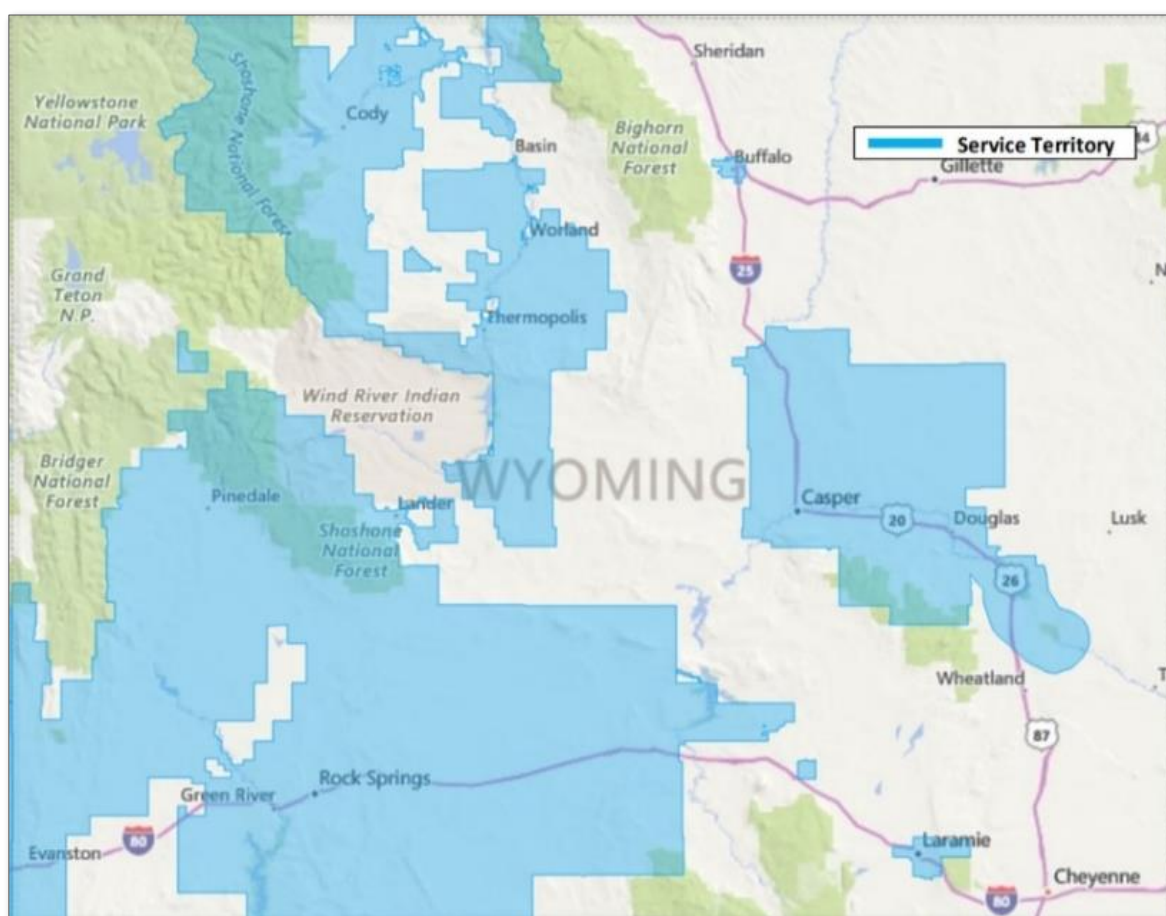


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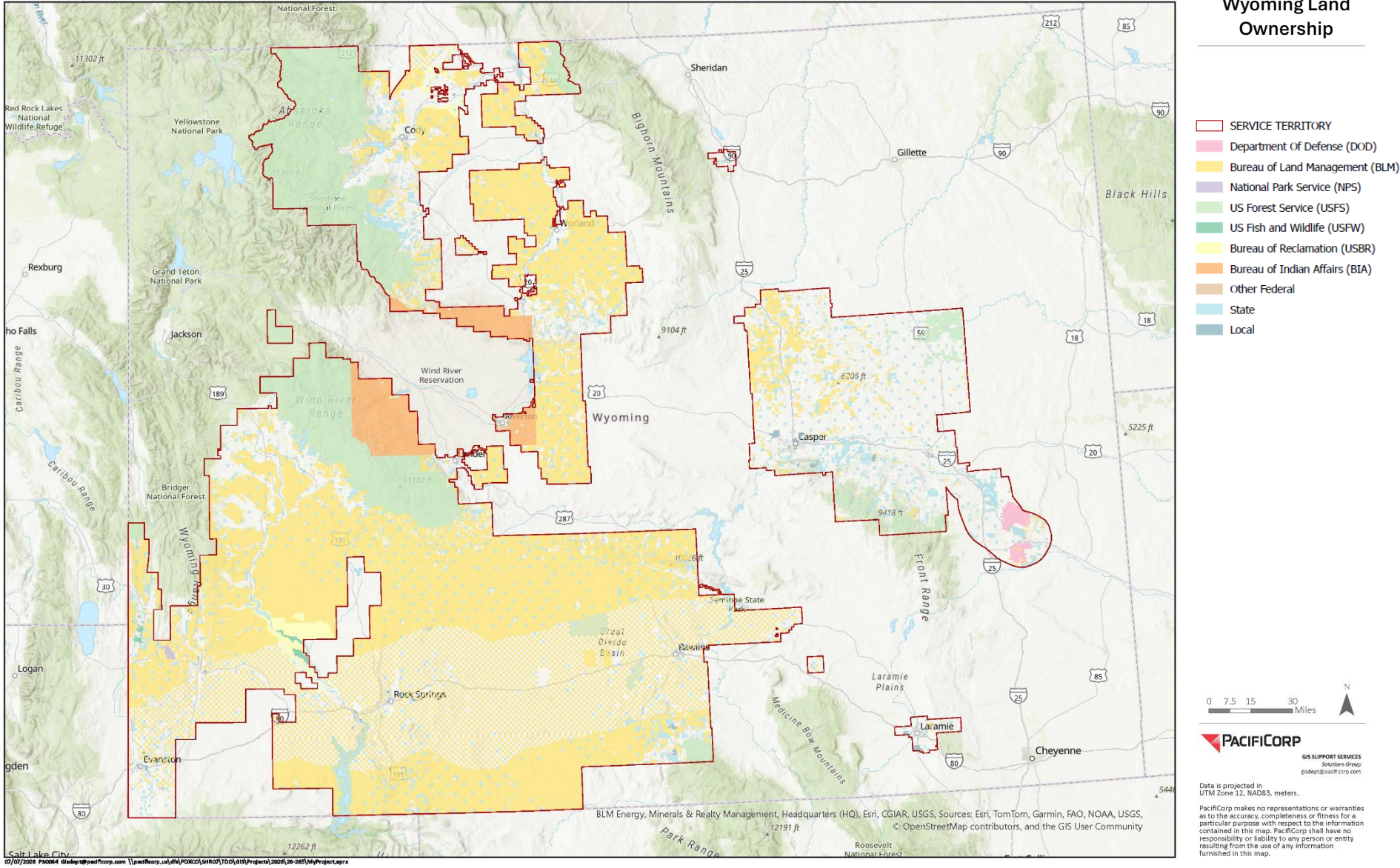


Figure 1-2: Land Ownership Within Service Territory

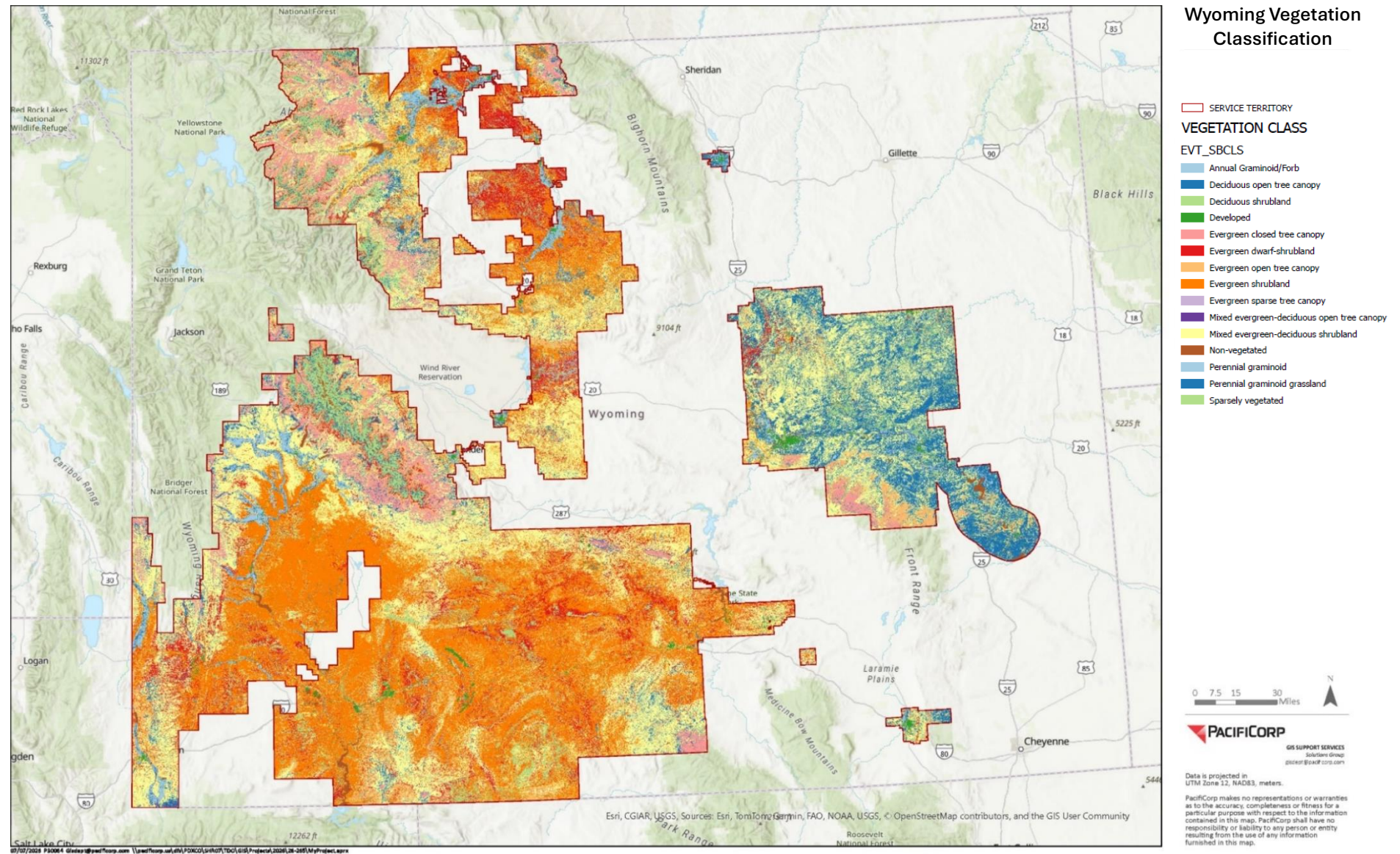


Figure 1-3: Vegetation Types Within Service Territory

1.3 Program Changes

Over the past five years, Rocky Mountain Power has made significant investments in its wildfire mitigation program. Highlights include the following:

- Created a Wildfire Mitigation Program Delivery group to develop the company’s WMP in Wyoming and the other states PacifiCorp serves.
- Developed a robust long-term risk modeling approach that includes monetary risk estimates and a benefit–cost analysis to support wildfire mitigation planning and ensure investments are effective and adaptive to a changing risk profile.
- Identified a new Heightened Fire Risk Area (HFRA), replacing the former Fire High Consequence Area in Wyoming. The HFRA is grounded in the U.S. Forest Service Wildfire Hazard Potential index and identifies high-risk areas independent of utility asset location.
- Assembled an experienced Meteorology Department to support the company’s situational awareness program.
- Created a Wildfire Intelligence Center to provide 24/7 monitoring of hazards that threaten company equipment, with an emphasis on wildfire.
- Implemented fire and emergency response managers (FERMs) to collect real-time information from first responders on the ground to better inform operational decisions.
- Launched the Public Safety Portal to communicate critical information to public safety partners and critical facilities during a public safety power shutoff (PSPS) event.
- Began pursuing strategic partnerships with industry stakeholders and other utilities to share insights and collaborate on emerging technologies and industry best practices.
- Began seeking opportunities to secure cost-share funding that can offset or complement wildfire mitigation expenditures and offset potential impacts to customer rates.

In 2025, Rocky Mountain Power deployed the following primary mitigation initiatives in Wyoming:

- Expanded situational awareness by installing five weather stations and procuring new risk modeling tools, datasets, and software.
- Implemented modified operational settings and re-energization practices.
- Launched the Wildfire Intelligence Center.
- Fully implemented the Public Safety Portal.
- Implemented risk-based work practices.

In 2026, the company is forecasting an additional investment in Wyoming of \$18.5 million in capital spending and \$3 million in expense spending. A programmatic breakdown of these costs can be found in Section 14.2: 2026–2028 Planned Costs.

2. Wildfire Risk Modeling

2.1 Heightened Fire Risk Area

Rocky Mountain Power has identified areas of heightened wildfire risk, known collectively as the Heightened Fire Risk Area (HFRA) (Figure 2-1). The HFRA sets the geographic boundaries for wildfire mitigation programs, including enhanced asset inspections and vegetation management. Rocky Mountain Power also uses the HFRA to help prioritize distribution system strengthening efforts, such as installing enhanced safety setting (ESS) devices and fault indicators. Details of the Wyoming HFRA are listed in Table 2-1 below.

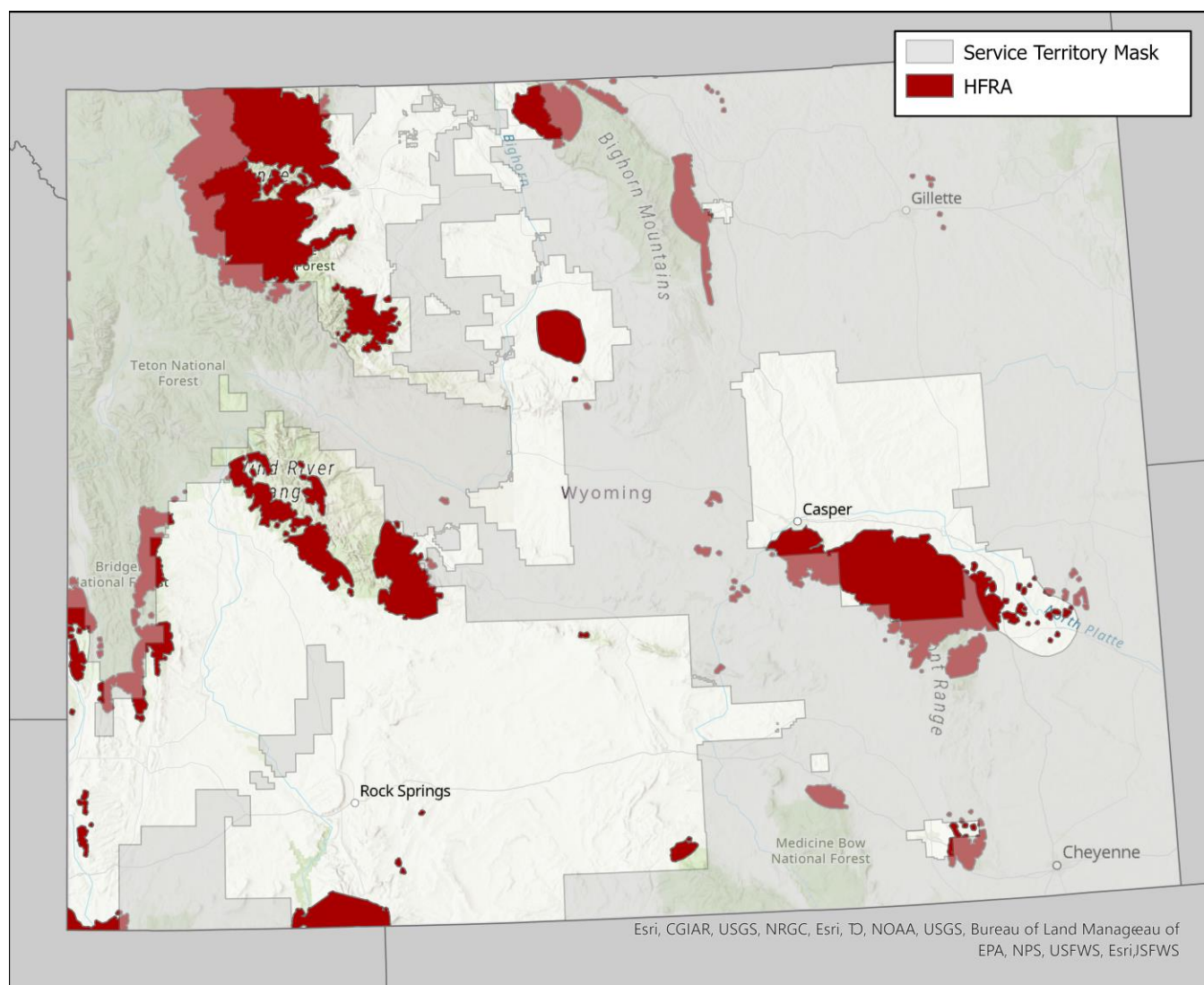


Figure 2-1: Wyoming Heightened Fire Risk Area (HFRA) (applicable to 37-3-403(a)(i))

Table 2-1: Wyoming HFRA (applicable to 37-3-403(a)(i))

Component	Total
Circuit miles of transmission	173
Circuit miles of overhead distribution	521
Total circuit miles	694
Square miles, excluding outside districts	1,167
Square miles, including outside districts	5,240
Total acres	3,355,571

Updated HFRA Framework

In 2026, Rocky Mountain Power adopted a new framework for delineating the HFRA (formerly the Fire High Consequence Area) in Wyoming. Unlike the prior methodology, which accounted for the location of company assets in assessing wildfire risk, the updated HFRA identifies high-risk areas independent of asset location. The HFRA emphasizes fire likelihood and intensity along with community impacts and includes a robust subject matter expert (SME) review process.

Data Sources

The HFRA relies primarily on the U.S. Forest Service Wildfire Hazard Potential (WHP) index, a nationally recognized framework used by federal and state agencies to identify areas of relatively high wildfire hazard. The WHP index has two core components:

Burn Probability: Derived from large fire simulations.

Fire Intensity: Modeled to reflect expected flame length, which is correlated with suppression difficulty and potential damage.

The HFRA also incorporates vendor-provided data that estimates the number of structures potentially affected if a fire ignites at a given location and burns for 24 hours under extreme fire weather conditions (building impact metric). This metric highlights areas where elevated fire hazard coincides with greater potential community impacts, without including asset-specific information.

Calibration and Review

To develop the HFRA map, data layers were combined into a composite index. Alternative HFRA configurations were evaluated using different weightings to the WHP index and building impact metric, along with varying index thresholds. Results were spatially smoothed and buffered to produce continuous, operationally usable HFRA polygons suitable for planning and reporting.

Final parameters were selected based on their ability to (1) capture historically observed wildfire activity and regions of higher monetized risk (discussed in the next section), (2) minimize the inclusion of clearly lower-risk urban areas, and (3) balance hazard delineation against HFRA-driven cost impacts.

The final step was a SME review. Relevant SMEs included operations managers, vegetation management specialists, and meteorologists. SMEs evaluated HFRA boundaries and provided recommendations for additions and removals based on their operational experience and domain expertise. This review ensured that modeled outputs were consistent with observed conditions.

2.2 Risk Analysis Framework

In 2024–2025, Rocky Mountain Power substantially updated its long-term risk planning model for identifying and prioritizing wildfire mitigation programs based on risk reduction and cost efficiency.

Drawing on industry best practices, technical workshops, and collaborative discussions with peer investor-owned utilities, Rocky Mountain Power transitioned from Planning Model Version 1 (PMV1) to Planning Model Version 2 (PMV2). The company uses PMV2 to assess risk reduction associated with distribution system strengthening measures, specifically undergrounding and covered conductor installations.

Planning Model Version 2

- Evaluates risk at the circuit segment level.
- Expresses risk in U.S. dollars.
- Estimates the benefit–cost ratio (BCR) of system strengthening measures.
- Supports a structured mitigation selection framework and portfolio of recommended mitigation actions.

Data Sources and Model Inputs

PMV2 relies on a combination of internal and external data sources to assess wildfire risk. Internal data includes geospatial information on the company’s electric system assets such as circuits, conductors, structures, and related equipment. This data comes from the company’s geographic information system (GIS) network, which is critical for risk aggregation across the service territory and within the HFRA.

External inputs include vendor-provided datasets, most notably Technosylva FireSight. These models form the primary wildfire risk component of PMV2 and incorporate Rocky Mountain Power’s internal asset and outage data.

See Appendix A for a complete list of internal and external datasets.

2.3 Monetized Circuit Segment Risk

Rocky Mountain Power estimates risk at the circuit segment level to help prioritize system strengthening projects, including line rebuilds. A circuit segment is defined as the portion of a circuit bounded by protective devices with reclosing capability.

For a comprehensive assessment of the potential risk reduction from system strengthening projects, the company monetizes the impacts of three distinct risks: wildfire risk, PSPS risk, and ESS risk.

Wildfire Risk	PSPS Risk	ESS Risk
The annual probability of a fault igniting a wildfire and the potential impacts, including average acres burned, average buildings destroyed, and significant injuries and fatalities.	The annual probability, per circuit segment, that the company will implement a PSPS and the estimated impacts, in customer minutes interrupted (CMI).	The annual probability, per circuit segment, that the company will implement enhanced safety settings (ESS) and the estimated impacts, in CMI.
Simulated for linear units of 100 meters or less.	Assumes an average PSPS duration of 24 hours.	The monetized risk values are based on a 6-hour duration.

Wildfire risk combines likelihood and consequence to estimate which assets along the electric grid are most at risk of igniting a fire:

- **Wildfire likelihood** represents the probability of a fault igniting a wildfire. Likelihood is modeled using Technosylva's FireSight, informed by five years of company outage data and ignition-related indicators from the National Fire Danger Rating System. The model applies a range of medium-to-high fire weather scenarios to calculate the wildfire risk for a representative fire weather day for each simulation unit. The result is multiplied by an annual fire weather day frequency, estimated using long-term weather data from the Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) reanalysis dataset (1991–2021).
- **Wildfire consequence** assumes a wildfire has ignited and quantifies the potential impact, including acres burned and buildings threatened or destroyed. Consequence is modeled by simulating ignitions along PacifiCorp's electric grid.

PSPS and ESS risk represent the system reliability impacts associated with these operational mitigation practices:

- **PSPS risk** is modeled using WRF reanalysis data to estimate the number of past potential PSPS events per circuit segment per year, given a PSPS threshold.
- **ESS risk** is modeled using historic ESS outage data to estimate the number of ESS outage minutes per circuit segment per year.

Costs per Unit

Wildfire, PSPS, and ESS risk are converted to U.S. dollars using estimated costs per unit (Table 2-2) developed in partnership with a third-party vendor (vendor study). Monetizing these risks is essential to the company's understanding of the interplay between these different risk components.

The vendor study relied on publicly available data and established methodologies used by utilities and government agencies, including the American Community Survey, U.S. Department of Transportation, Environmental Protection Agency, and National Institute of Standards and Technology.

To monetize wildfire risk, FireSight outputs such as average acres burned and average buildings destroyed are multiplied by the applicable cost per unit. The length-weighted results per simulation unit are then summed to get the monetized wildfire risk per circuit segment.

For PSPS and ESS risk, the vendor study quantified the cost per CMI using Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory's Interruption Cost Estimate (ICE) calculator, version 2.0.¹ Using the calculator's customization features, the vendor incorporated company-specific inputs, where available, to develop an accurate assessment of cost per CMI.

Table 2-2: Costs per Unit (Wyoming)

Impact	Cost per Unit (\$2024)
Financial	
Structure Destroyed	Residential: \$478,349 Commercial: \$946,188
Suppression Cost per Acre	\$730
Commercial Cost per Acre	Ag: \$1,960 Pasture: \$740 Timber: \$2,200
Restoration Cost per Acre	\$1,350
Safety	
Fatality	\$13.7M
Injury per Structure Destroyed	Serious injury: \$3.425M Minor injury: \$0.04M
Fatalities per Structure	0.0044
Direct Evacuation Cost per Person per Day	\$121
Reliability	
Dollar per CMI 6-hour ESS Duration	Residential: \$0.05 Non-residential: \$24.12 All: \$4.67
Dollar per CMI 24-hour PSPS Duration	Residential: \$0.03 Non-residential: \$14.81 All: \$2.87

¹ ICE Calculator, v. 2.0, Lawrence Berkeley National Laboratory and Resource Innovations, Inc., <https://icecalculator.com/>.

2.4 Benefit–Cost Analysis

Rocky Mountain Power calculates the benefit–cost ratio (BCR) of potential system strengthening projects to help inform its mitigation selection strategy.

BCR is the ratio of the benefits of a given system strengthening mitigation to the costs of that mitigation. The benefits include both the risk reduction and the lifecycle cost savings.

$$BCR = \frac{\text{Asset Life Wildfire Risk Reduction} + \text{Asset Life Lifecycle Cost Savings}}{\text{Cost per Program}}$$

Wildfire Risk Reduction: represents the amount of wildfire risk that is avoided as a result of the mitigation measure. It is calculated using the monetized wildfire risk per circuit segment and the estimated mitigation effectiveness, based on subject matter expertise.

Lifecycle Cost Savings: Calculated for each circuit segment, assuming a 50-year lifespan for undergrounding. Savings include reduced operations, maintenance, and vegetation management costs. Future model releases are expected to incorporate lifecycle savings for undergrounding projects resulting from decreased PSPS and ESS operations.

Cost per Program: Calculated for each circuit segment by multiplying the segment mileage by its estimated cost per mile, based on input from scoping engineers and operations personnel.

A mitigation program is considered cost-efficient if its BCR is ≥ 1 .

3. Mitigation Program Strategy

3.1 Strategy Overview

Since 2020, Rocky Mountain Power’s wildfire mitigation planning strategy has evolved. Early efforts prioritized timely action in high fire risk areas while underlying risk models, tools, and governance processes matured.

As these capabilities have advanced, Rocky Mountain Power has refined its approach to mitigation selection, governance, and investment prioritization, emphasizing greater transparency and additional analytical rigor related to mitigation selection and cost-benefit evaluation. The company has moved to a top-down, risk-informed planning approach to guide major infrastructure investments, such as covered conductor installations and undergrounding, to reduce ignition likelihood and improve system resiliency.

At the same time, Rocky Mountain Power recognizes that effective wildfire mitigation requires a broader strategy beyond infrastructure rebuilds alone. In addition to system strengthening efforts, the company incorporates situational awareness, operational practices, emerging technologies, pilot programs, and customer communications to support wildfire risk reduction, system resiliency, and operational efforts.

3.2 Wildfire Mitigation Portfolio Process

In 2026, the company launched a wildfire mitigation portfolio selection and governance framework to improve how mitigation opportunities are identified, evaluated, and prioritized. The framework provides a structured pathway (Figure 3-1) for evaluating and advancing mitigation initiatives, from conception through planning, review, and implementation.

Importantly, the framework evaluates mitigation measures collectively rather than as isolated actions, recognizing that different strategies may work together to improve overall wildfire mitigation performance and operational outcomes across the system. Overall, the framework is designed to better promote consistency, transparency, flexibility, and overall efficiency of wildfire mitigation planning and investment decision-making.



Figure 3-1: Wildfire Mitigation Portfolio Process

The process begins with a structured intake evaluation, where new mitigation ideas, operational improvements, pilot programs, or investment proposals are formally submitted and documented. Each proposal follows a standardized template to support consistent, data-driven evaluation and clear presentation for decision-making.

Following intake, initiatives move into scoping and evaluation, where the company further defines the problem statement, objectives, costs, implementation considerations, operational impacts, and expected benefits.

Projects then progress through gated review stages, where cross-functional stakeholders assess alignment with wildfire mitigation objectives, portfolio priorities, feasibility, and readiness for further development or funding consideration. Depending on the type and complexity of the initiative, additional refinement, technical review, business case development, pilot evaluation, or implementation planning may occur before final prioritization and execution decisions are made.

The portfolio process emphasizes clarity, regulatory alignment, and data-backed decisions while allowing flexibility for program-specific details. The process was launched in 2026, with full implementation planned by 2028.

Wildfire Risk Governance Committee

The WRGC provides cross-functional oversight to maintain alignment and accountability across Rocky Mountain Power’s wildfire mitigation strategy. By bringing together the company’s leaders in engineering, operations, regulatory, risk management, and community engagement, the committee addresses two key questions:

1. Does the work qualify as wildfire mitigation?
2. How should the work be prioritized and scheduled to deliver the greatest risk reduction?

This structured review process promotes discussion of ignition risk reduction, regulatory compliance, and cost-effectiveness, while identifying overlaps, gaps, and dependencies across programs. The result is strong governance, efficient resource allocation, and transparency that builds confidence that expenditures meaningfully reduce wildfire risk in Wyoming communities.

4. Asset Inspection & Correction

Rocky Mountain Power employees and contractors perform routine asset inspections in compliance with the National Electrical Safety Code (NESC) and the PacifiCorp policies listed in Appendix C.

4.1 Standard Inspections

Rocky Mountain Power performs four primary asset inspection types:

- **Visual Assurance Inspection:** A brief visual inspection conducted from a vantage point that provides reasonable viewing access. Identifies clearance violations, right-of-way encroachments, damage or defects, or other hazards that could endanger the public, compromise system integrity, or potentially cause a spark (Policy 011).
- **Detailed Inspection:** A careful visual inspection performed by examining each structure and the spans between them. Identifies nonconformance with NESC or company standards, infringement by other utilities or individuals, defects, safety hazards, and deterioration that must be corrected to maintain safe, reliable service (Policy 009).
- **Pole Sound and Bore:** Performed on wood poles by sounding the pole to locate external and internal decay. If decay is suspected, inspection holes are drilled to determine the extent of the internal decay (Policy 013).
- **Pole Test and Treat:** Performed on wood poles to identify decay, wear, or damage. May include pole-sounding, inspection hole drilling, and excavation to assess the pole condition at or below groundline and identify the need for restoration or replacement. When applicable, preservative treatment is applied as part of the inspection (Policy 013).



Figure 4-1: Visual Assurance Inspection of Transmission Line

Inspection Schedules

Inspection cycles are set by Rocky Mountain Power’s Asset Management Department and are summarized in Table 4-1. Pole test and treat inspections (including sound and bore) are typically scheduled alongside detailed inspections and performed at the same time.

Table 4-1: Inspection Frequencies for Wyoming Assets 

Inspection Type	Standard Inspection Frequency (Years)*	HFRA Inspection Frequency (Years)*
Overhead Distribution (Less than 46 kV)		
Visual	1	1
Detailed	10	5
Pole Sound and Bore	10	10
Pole Test and Treat†	N/A	N/A
Overhead Local Transmission (Greater than 46 kV and less than 200 kV)		
Visual	1	1
Detailed	10	5
Pole Sound and Bore	10	10
Pole Test and Treat‡	10	10
Overhead Main Grid (Greater than 200 kV)		
Visual	1	1
Detailed	2	2
Pole Sound and Bore	10	10
Pole Test and Treat‡	10	10

* Inspections with the same frequency are performed at the same time.

† Rocky Mountain Power does not perform pole test and treat on distribution poles at this time.

‡ Treatment may not be applied if the pole is scheduled for replacement.

Inspection Tracking and Condition Correction

All inspections are tracked in Rocky Mountain Power’s Facility Point Inspection database. The company’s Asset Management Department uses reports generated through the database to monitor project completion, including any identified conditions in need of correction. Corrections are generally completed within the time frames established by PacifiCorp policies.

Corrections are expedited for fire threat conditions (Table 4-2). A fire threat condition is a condition found in the HFRA that may increase the likelihood of a fault event and the associated release of energy.

Table 4-2: Correction Time Frames for Fire Threat Conditions in the HFRA

Condition Priority	Correction Time Frame
I – Imminent Energy Release Risk	Immediate
A – High Energy Release Risk in HFRA	60 Days
B – Low or Moderate Energy Release Risk in HFRA	12 Months

4.2 Enhanced Inspections



Rocky Mountain Power uses infrared and drone imagery to supplement visual inspections to help identify hot spots, equipment degradation, and potential substandard connections.

- **Infrared Inspections:** Performed annually on transmission lines interconnected with the HFRA. These inspections identify potentially problematic thermal rises in equipment not visible through standard inspections. The lines identified for inspection are grouped by peak loading intervals so that the inspections can be performed when the equipment is under the highest potential stress (Policy 358).
- **Regularly Planned Drone Inspections:** Performed two years prior to the next scheduled detailed inspection within the HFRA (Policy 371). The company will begin implementing regularly planned drone inspections in 2026.
- **Drone-on-Demand Inspections:** Performed on an as-needed basis to investigate areas with persistent or poor reliability performance. These inspections provide enhanced imagery, alternate perspectives, and the ability to package new technology (LiDAR, infrared, detailed imagery) to view assets and assess conditions (Policy 371).



Figure 4-2: Inspection Crew Using Drone

5. Vegetation Management

Rocky Mountain Power manages a comprehensive vegetation management program throughout its service territory to reduce the risk of vegetation contact with power lines. Vegetation management work adheres to the PacifiCorp Transmission & Distribution (T&D) Vegetation Management Program Standard Operating Procedures.

5.1 Rights-of-Way

On private lands, easements grant the right-of-way across a specific parcel of land. When a right-of-way is not explicitly granted through an easement, the right to enter the property to perform necessary activities, such as vegetation management, is considered implied.

On public or government-owned lands, the company generally secures property access rights through license agreements with the relevant agencies.

Rocky Mountain Power's installation rules require customers to allow the company safe and unobstructed access to the premises at reasonable times to trim trees and other vegetation to avoid interference with the company's distribution lines and protect public safety.

5.2 Pruning and Removal

To maintain a safe and reliable electric system, tall-growing vegetation is pruned to keep safe clearances from power lines following the vegetation management practices in the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) A300 Tree Care Standards, as applicable. Trees that are visibly dead, dying, diseased, deformed, or unstable, which have a high likelihood of falling and contacting a specific target (e.g., electrical infrastructure), should be assessed for removal.

Like other utilities, Rocky Mountain Power contracts with vegetation management service providers to perform the pruning and tree removal work for both distribution and transmission lines.



Figure 5-1: Hazard Tree Removal

Distribution

Vegetation management work on distribution lines is performed on a four-year cycle. Rocky Mountain Power schedules off-cycle inspections for circuits, or portions thereof, in the HFRA in years when the circuit is not scheduled for distribution cycle work. Vegetation management activities are designed to achieve the minimum post-work clearances in Table 5-1.

Table 5-1: Distribution Minimum Post-Work Clearances (in Feet) by Growth Rate

	Slow-Growing (<1 ft./yr.)		Moderate-Growing (1–3 ft./yr.)		Fast-Growing (> 3 ft./yr.)	
	Regular	HFRA	Regular	HFRA	Regular	HFRA
Side Clearance	8	12	12	12	14	14
Under Clearance	10	12	14	14	16	16
Overhang Clearance	12	12	14	14	14	14

Transmission

Main grid transmission lines are inspected annually. Other transmission lines outside the HFRA (“local” transmission) are inspected every three years. The company also performs off-cycle inspections on circuits, or portions thereof, within the HFRA. When transmission lines are located on the same poles as distribution lines, vegetation management work to address compliance conditions is typically completed on the normal distribution cycle schedule. Additional vegetation projects (targeted vegetation management actions, such as right-of-way clearing) may be planned as needed based on inspection results.

Vegetation management on transmission lines focuses on removing incompatible vegetation, including tall and fast-growing trees. An action threshold is applied to determine whether work is needed. Vegetation that exceeds the action threshold is removed or pruned to the minimum post-work clearance distance (Table 5-2) in compliance with FAC-003-05.²

² FAC-003-05: *Transmission Vegetation Management*, North American Electric Reliability Corporation, last updated December 9, 2025, <https://www.nerc.com/globalassets/standards/reliability-standards/fac/fac-003-5.pdf>.

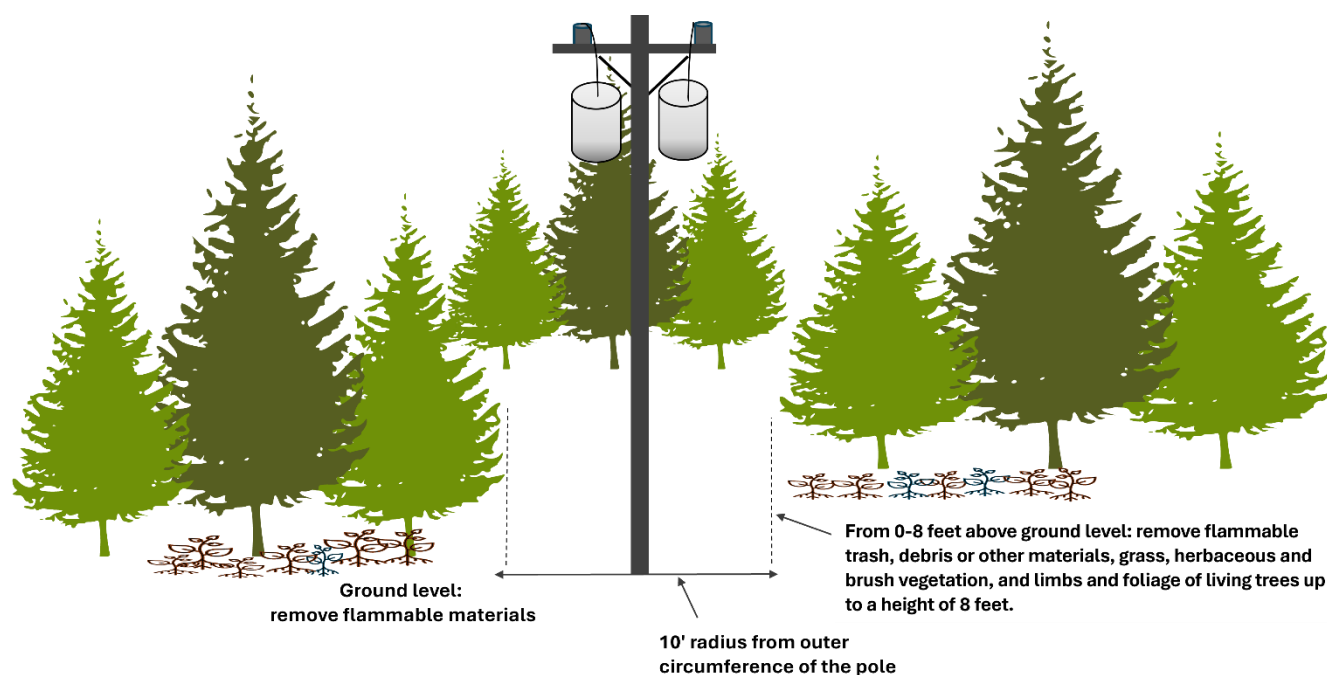
Table 5-2: Transmission Minimum Vegetation Clearance (in Feet) by Line Voltage

	500 kV	345 kV	230 kV	161 kV	138 kV	115 kV	69 kV	45 kV
Minimum Vegetation Clearance Distance	8.5	5.3	5.0	3.4	2.9	2.4	1.4	-
Action Thresholds	18.5	15.5	15.0	13.5	13.0	12.5	10.5	5
Minimum Post-Work Clearance Distance	50	40	30	30	30	30	25	20

Rocky Mountain Power applies integrated vegetation management best practices to transmission lines where feasible, including strategies to cultivate stable, low-growing plants that are not expected to interfere with transmission lines in their growth lifecycle.

Pole Clearing

To further mitigate wildfire risk in the HFRA, Rocky Mountain Power performs pole clearing activities at the base of targeted equipment poles. These activities are designed to reduce fuels to minimize the risk of fire ignition if sparks are emitted. Pole clearing involves removing vegetation within a 10-foot radius (up to eight feet vertically) and applying herbicides and/or soil sterilant to inhibit vegetation regrowth, unless prohibited by law or the property owner, or site-specific conditions. This strategy is illustrated in Figure 5-2.

**Figure 5-2: Pole Clearing Strategy**

5.3 Quality Control

Rocky Mountain Power’s quality control program consists of the following:

Quality Assurance (QA): Rocky Mountain Power achieves QA through the PacifiCorp T&D Vegetation Management Program Standard Operating Procedures and requirements therein.

Quality Control (QC): Rocky Mountain Power conducts QC through quality reviews and post-work audits to verify that completed vegetation maintenance is effective and meets requirements in the PacifiCorp T&D Vegetation Management Program Standard Operating Procedures.

Post-Work Audits

After the company’s vegetation management contractors complete work, Rocky Mountain Power, and/or a third-party contractor certified by the International Society of Arboriculture, conducts post-work audits to verify that the work meets company specifications, including clearance requirements. Post-work audits are conducted in accordance with Table 5-3.

Table 5-3: Post-Work Audit Targets

Maintenance Action	Target Sample Size	Audit Type(s)	Targeted Activities
Pole Clearing	10% of scheduled poles	Visual ground-based or desktop	Distribution Pole Clearing – Fire Mitigation
Tree Maintenance – Distribution	100% of scheduled line miles	Visual ground-based or aerial	Fire Mitigation Distribution
Tree Maintenance – Transmission	100% of scheduled line miles	Visual ground-based or aerial	Fire Mitigation Transmission

Audit findings are used to drive continuous improvement. When necessary, exceptions in the audit (defined as inconsistencies with company specifications or missed work) are assigned back to the contractor for correction.

Quality Reviews

In addition to post-work audits, Rocky Mountain Power foresters conduct quality reviews, which are more limited in scope and serve as spot checks. Unlike post-work audits, which may cover an entire circuit, quality reviews may focus on a single tree, property, or line segment. Quality reviews are conducted shortly after vegetation management work is completed to identify potential issues before crews leave the site. This allows staff to address deficiencies with the contractor promptly.

5.4 Forest Health and Fire Resiliency Partnership Opportunities



To support the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy and Forest Service Wildfire Crisis Strategy, Rocky Mountain Power is willing to partner with public and private entities to implement habitat enhancement efforts that align with the company's wildfire mitigation program. Such partnerships would help facilitate collaborative forest health and fire resiliency initiatives involving state, local, and federal agencies, tribes, private landowners, conservation organizations, and local communities.

To support these efforts, the company may leverage existing resources and/or matching funds. Projects selected for company participation would prioritize both habitat enhancement and wildfire resiliency in high fire risk landscapes across the company's service territory. Such partnerships may enable projects at landscape scales beyond what a single entity could achieve.

6. System Strengthening

System strengthening programs represent one of the best long-term mitigation tools available to electric utilities. When conditions warrant, Rocky Mountain Power engages in strategic system strengthening, such as replacing or modifying existing assets with a new design or technology to make the asset more resilient to wildfires. As described in Section 2, the company uses risk modeling and assessments to prioritize system strengthening programs.

6.1 Idle Line Mitigation

Idle lines that are mutually coupled to an energized line may pose an ignition risk. The company has removed all targeted idle transmission lines in Wyoming that are not being used as an active backup to an energized line. For idle lines that were not removed due to their use as active backup, a vendor was contracted to run power simulations and advise mitigation strategies for these lines. For each idle line identified in Wyoming, the mitigation plan and status are listed in Table 6-1.

Table 6-1: Wyoming Idle Line Status

PL ID	Line Name	Length (Miles)	Mitigation Strategy	Status
`540131	Big Muddy Substation to Platte Line Junction	1.5	Remove	Complete
`540135	Dave Johnston-Douglas	5.8	Remove	Complete
`540135	Dave Johnston-Douglas Tap to Orpha	4.3	Remove	Complete
`088006	Ten Mile – 6 Mile Road	3.0	Remove	Complete
`540135	Dave Johnston-Douglas	2.5	Line Segmentation	Complete
`540136	Douglas-Glendo	13.7	Line Segmentation	Complete
`081003	Sage-Evanston	8.4	Line Segmentation	Pending Approval

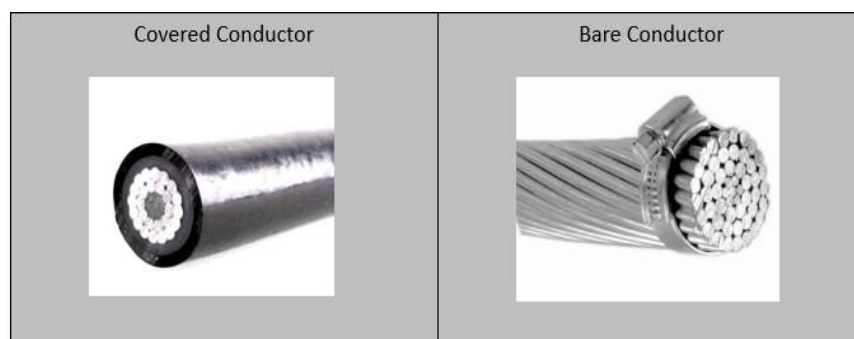
6.2 Line Rebuild Program

Circuits constructed with bare overhead wire are evaluated for potential system strengthening work. As a part of this program, overhead lines may be moved, removed, retrofitted with more resilient materials (e.g., covered conductor or non-wood poles), or converted to underground.

Covered Conductor

Most distribution power lines in the United States, including in Rocky Mountain Power’s service territory, are installed with bare overhead conductor. As the name suggests, the wire surface is uninsulated and exposed to the elements.

In contrast, covered conductors are manufactured with multiple high-impact-resistant extruded layers forming an insulation around the conductor (Figure 6-1). The insulating layers reduce the risk of wildfire by minimizing the potential of vegetation or ground contact with the conductor.



*Figure 6-1: Covered Conductor Compared with Bare Conductor
(Images from VW Wire and Cable Product List)*

Non-Wood Poles

Rocky Mountain Power replaces or reinforces overhead poles within its service territory consistent with the NESC, company policies, and prudent utility practices. Poles are typically identified for replacement through routine inspections and testing, major weather events, or joint-use accommodation projects. When replacement is required, a new pole that meets engineering specifications is installed.

Engineering specifications typically call for wood poles. However, non-wood poles, such as fiberglass or steel (Figure 6-2), can provide additional structural resilience in high-risk locations during wildfire events.

As part of covered conductor installation, the strength of existing poles is evaluated. In many cases, the poles may not be strong enough to accommodate the additional weight of covered conductor. In these instances, the existing wood pole is replaced with a non-wood alternative.



Figure 6-2: Distribution Steel Pole

Pole Wrap

Depending on the pole configuration and location, Rocky Mountain Power may also install a fire mesh wrap around both transmission and distribution wood poles in areas of heightened wildfire risk. The wrap is applied to protect the poles from fire damage in the event of a wildfire. Pole wraps also may be applied on poles scoped for replacement with steel poles as an interim solution.

Undergrounding

Rocky Mountain Power continues to evaluate the potential to convert overhead lines to underground lines. Currently, the cost and operational constraints of underground construction often make it difficult to apply broadly. The company evaluates the feasibility of undergrounding on a project-by-project basis and uses underground construction where practical. Some communities and landowners may prefer, for aesthetic reasons, to pursue a higher-cost underground alternative. Consistent with electric service regulations and company design standards, Rocky Mountain Power will collaborate with communities or individual landowners who are willing to pay the incremental cost and obtain the necessary legal entitlements for underground construction.

Line Rebuild Selection and Implementation

Rocky Mountain Power applies a benefit–cost analysis to identify line rebuild projects to add to its wildfire mitigation program. Using BCRs and monetized risk scores (see Section 2), the company identifies cost-effective projects that will appropriately mitigate the risk.

The line rebuild selection and implementation process starts by calculating the monetized risk reduction from the least-costly mitigation (e.g., covered conductor) whose BCR meets the threshold (≥ 1). This value is subtracted from the initial monetized risk, and another BCR assessment is performed on the remaining risk for the next least-costly mitigation (e.g., undergrounding). If the new BCR meets the threshold, the process is repeated for any higher-cost mitigations until the BCR falls below the threshold. The last mitigation to meet the BCR threshold in this manner is the recommended mitigation program for that circuit segment.

This process, known as reverse tree mitigation selection, is illustrated in Figure 6-3. It helps ensure that higher-cost mitigations are proposed only when lower-cost measures do not adequately reduce the risk and provides a streamlined mechanism to incorporate other mitigation programs.

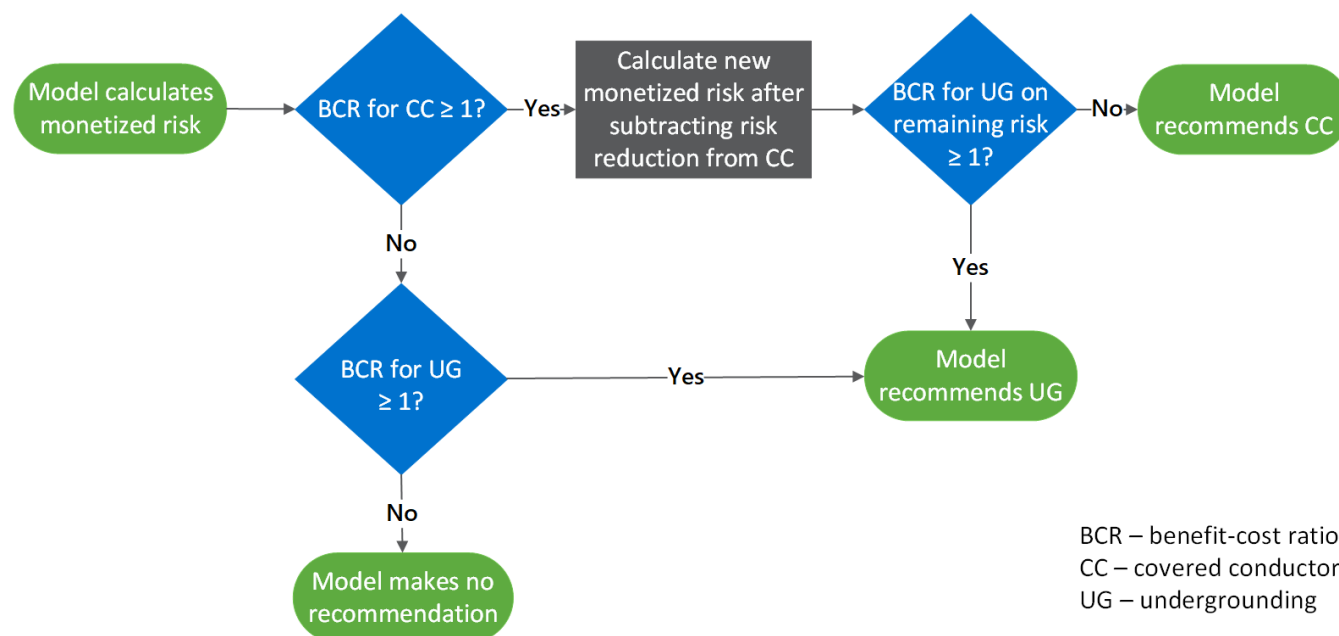


Figure 6-3: Reverse Tree Mitigation Selection

Reverse tree mitigation selection is the first step in identifying and prioritizing line rebuild projects. However, line rebuilds involve considerations beyond the scope of long-term risk modeling, which relies on statewide assumptions and estimates. Project-specific considerations may lead the company to refine the scope, sequencing, size, and design of projects during planning and implementation.

The line rebuild implementation process is illustrated in Figure 6-4.

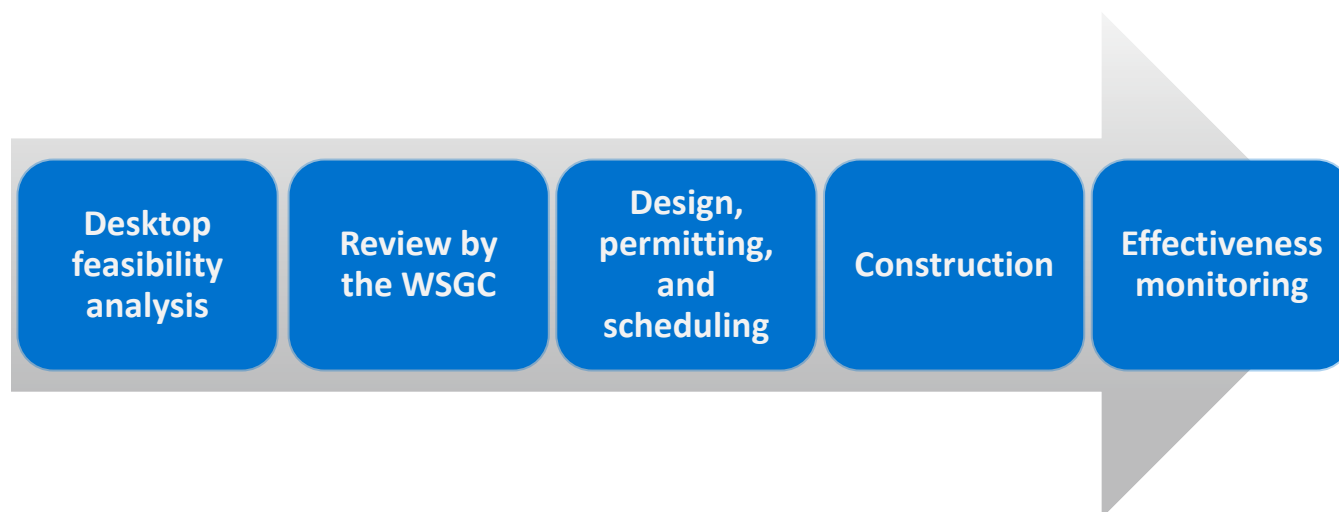


Figure 6-4: Line Rebuild Implementation Process

Phase 1: Desktop Feasibility Analysis

The company performs desktop feasibility analyses to identify and assess project-specific factors not fully captured in the benefit–cost analysis.

The desktop feasibility studies typically involve an initial, high-level assessment of project accessibility, potential environmental impacts, logistical and operational efficiencies, permitting dynamics, and topographical factors. These considerations can impact project sequencing, design, and size.

Phase 2: Review by the Wildfire Scoping Governance Committee

Before a line rebuild project advances into the design phase, it is reviewed by the Wildfire Scoping Governance Committee (WSGC). The WSGC brings together experts and operational leaders from across the company to review system strengthening projects for feasibility, risk reduction, budgeting, and compatibility with company construction standards. Only projects approved by the WSGC move into the next phase.

Phase 3: Design, Permitting, and Scheduling

During this phase, the company makes substantial investments to advance projects, including coordinating with property owners, customers, communities, and other utilities; developing detailed project designs; pursuing permits; provisioning and staging materials; scheduling construction; and broadly allocating internal resources. Issues that arise during these activities may require course adjustments. Significant changes to projects may require additional reviews by the WSGC.

Phase 4: Construction

Issues encountered at the construction site, such as subsurface rock, utility lines, or other field conditions, can impact construction methods and project attributes. Where possible or when necessary, the company is responsive to property owner and customer requests during this phase to enhance project feasibility and efficiency.

Phase 5: Effectiveness Monitoring

After construction is complete and the infrastructure is integrated into the company’s electrical grid system, the mitigation type is monitored for its effectiveness at reducing wildfire risk.

Line rebuild programs typically span multiple years, and statistically significant trends can take years to emerge. In the absence of long-term data, Rocky Mountain Power relies on reviews with SMEs to evaluate the program’s effectiveness.

Whenever feasible, Rocky Mountain Power evaluates the performance of individual mitigation programs. When isolation is not feasible, such as with broadly applied vegetation management, the company documents other mitigations in place and their completion dates. Because factors such as weather, system changes, and ESS operations can influence outcomes, normalization methods are being explored to support more comparable evaluations over time.

6.3 Advanced System Protection and Control

Microprocessor Systems

Rocky Mountain Power is continuing to replace and upgrade electromechanical relays, reclosers, circuit breakers, and other protection and control devices with modern microprocessor-based devices to improve systemwide operations.

Microprocessor devices provide multiple wildfire mitigation benefits. They can perform programmed functions much faster than electromechanical devices, reducing the length and magnitude of fault events. These devices allow for greater customization to address environmental conditions through a variety of settings and are better able to incorporate complex logic to execute specific operations. These functional features allow the company to use more refined settings during periods of greater wildfire risk, discussed in Section 8.

When replacing an electromechanical relay, the associated circuit breaker or other line equipment may also be replaced, as appropriate, to facilitate the functionality of a microprocessor relay. As part of this upgrade, supervisory control and data acquisition (SCADA) is extended to the relay, allowing remote monitoring and control of the device. This may include upgrading existing communication assets or installing new assets.

Expulsion Fuse Replacement

Overhead expulsion fuses are one of the primary system protection devices on the overhead system. A typical expulsion fuse has a small metal element within the fuse body that is designed to melt when excessive current passes through it, interrupting the flow of electricity to the downstream distribution system. Under certain conditions, the melting action will expel an arc out of the bottom of the fuse tab. This arc can pose a wildfire ignition risk.

To reduce the potential for ignition because of fuse operation, Rocky Mountain Power is replacing expulsion fuses throughout its distribution system with fuses that do not expel an arc. Expulsion fuse replacements are planned in conjunction with line rebuild projects or other planned work.

Fault Indicators and Grid Monitoring

Fault indicators detect and visually indicate the presence of faults in the distribution system. These are generally installed on overhead lines and use LEDs, flags, or mechanical indicators to indicate fault presence. These devices require manual inspection by crews to locate the faults.

Rocky Mountain Power has begun upgrading its distribution system to use communicating faulted circuit indicators (CFCIs). CFCIs monitor current and voltage levels and are equipped with wireless or wired communication modules to detect the presence of faults in the distribution system and alert operators. This helps reduce outage response time and improve system reliability.

To enhance grid monitoring capabilities, the company is developing a platform called Distributed Sensor Operation Insights and Analytics. This platform integrates event records from protective relays, distribution CFCI sensors, and other grid-edge devices into a single analytics tool. This new platform will help enhance detection and localization of energized downed conductors, impending faults, and high-impedance fault precursors and will support a quantitative assessment of protection settings performance.

6.4 Current System Strengthening Projects

WY Line Rebuild – 5H164 (South Phase)

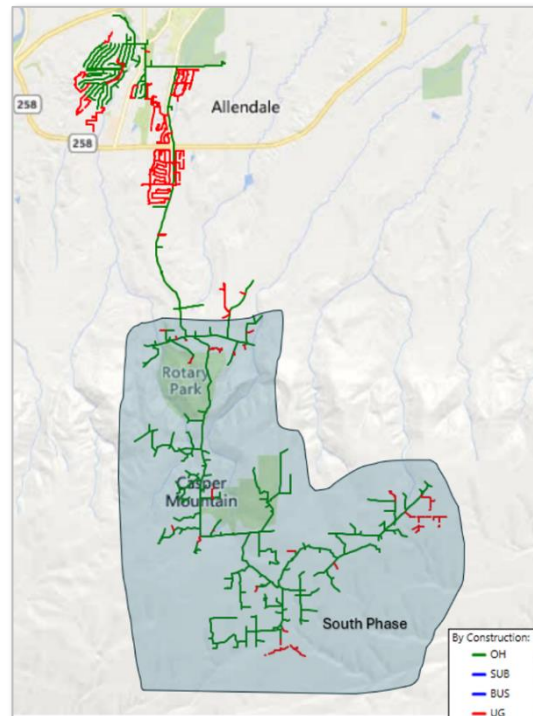
Scope: Replace approximately 33.5 miles of distribution assets on the southern half of circuit 5H164 out of Community Park Substation to meet current wildfire mitigation standards. Includes undergrounding most of the 3-phase main feeder and installing covered conductor on 1-phase laterals. Facilities are located in the HFRA.

Anticipated cost: \$38.5 million

Timeline: Construction began in 2025 and will continue in multiple phases to 2028.

Status: Approximately 7.5 miles were completed in 2025.

BCR: 2.4



WY Line Rebuild – 5H168 (South Phase)

Scope: Reconstruct approximately 18.5 miles of distribution assets on the southern half of circuit 5H168 out of Community Park Substation to meet current wildfire mitigation standards. Facilities are located in the HFRA. Includes undergrounding most of the 3-phase main feeder and installing covered conductor on 1-phase laterals.

Anticipated cost: \$21.6 million

Timeline: Construction began in 2025 and will continue in multiple phases to 2028.

Status: Approximately 1 mile was completed in 2025.

BCR: 4.3

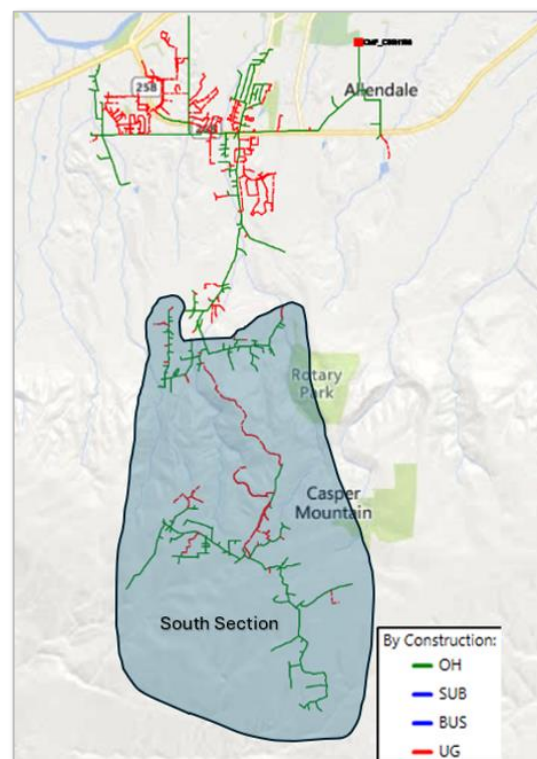


Figure 6-5: Lines Out of Community Park Substation Scheduled for Undergrounding

WY Relay Replacement

Scope: Replace relays and distribution breakers and add communications/SCADA to the Casper Substation and Fort Casper Substation. Six relays are planned for replacement in Casper, and eight relays are planned for replacement in Fort Casper. These relay replacements were scoped in 2024.

Anticipated cost: \$1.6 million

Timeline: Estimating project completion by the end of 2026.

Status: Working on bid package.

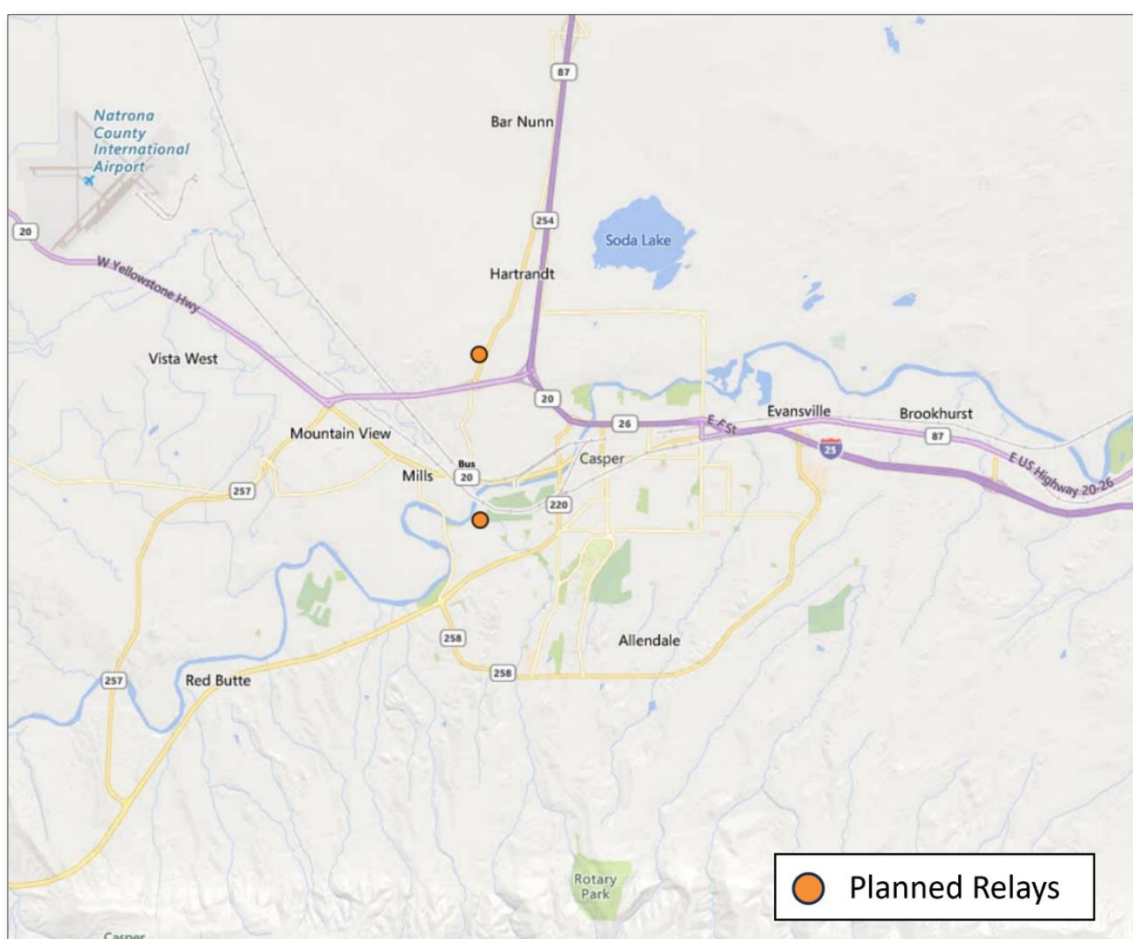


Figure 6-6: Planned Relay Upgrades

7. Situational Awareness

As climate and weather patterns change, extreme weather events are predicted to become more frequent, increasing the likelihood for seasonal, dynamic, or isolated risk events that may compound or deviate from the company's long-term risk modeling approach. Therefore, a sophisticated, dynamic risk model grounded in situational awareness is pertinent to ensure the company knows when, where, how, and why to take risk-mitigating actions in the short term.

Rocky Mountain Power's approach to situational awareness includes acquiring data to forecast, model, and assess the risk of potential or active events to inform operational strategies, respond to local conditions, and support decision-making. This approach, illustrated in Figure 7-1, relies on a core team of meteorologists to continuously evolve the tools and technology, and leverage their expertise to guide action.

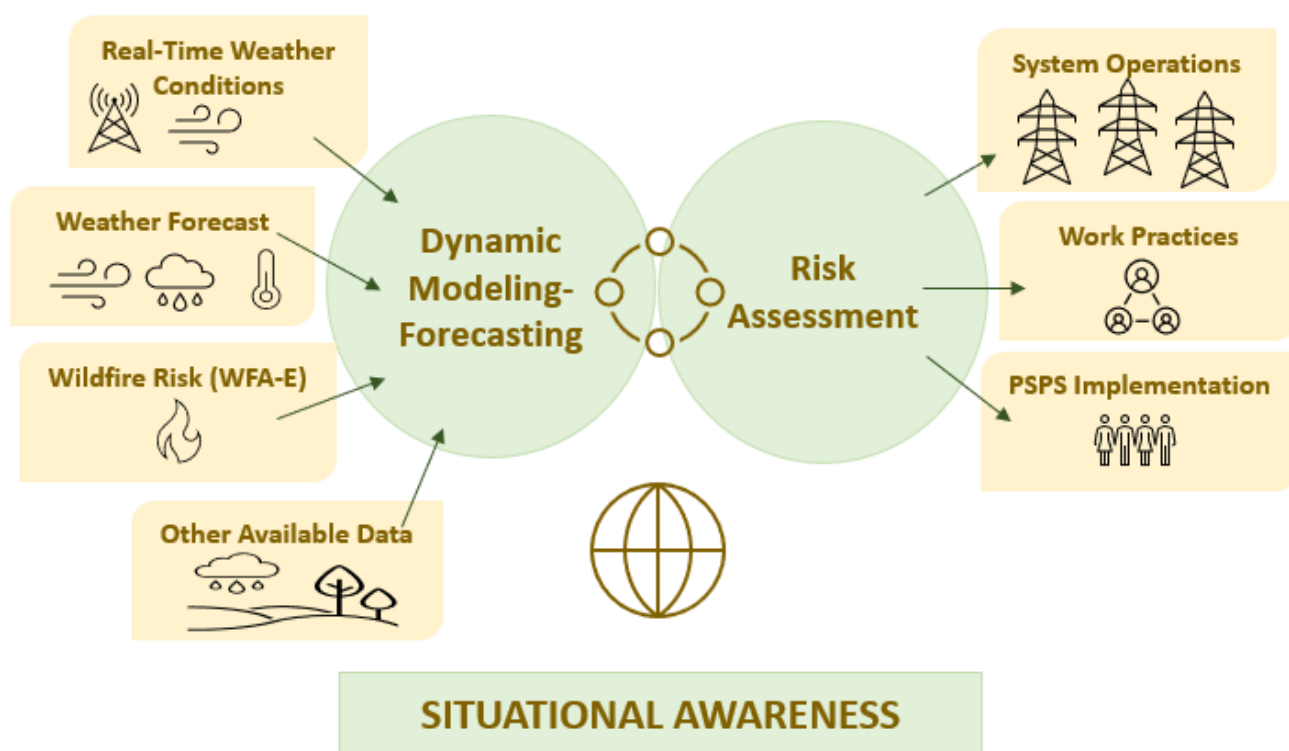


Figure 7-1: Overview of Situational Awareness

7.1 Meteorology

A key component of the company's situational awareness capability is its Meteorology Department. The team brings decades of experience in weather and fire weather forecasting for various government and private-sector entities. The Meteorology Department supplements the company's short-term risk analysis capabilities by:

- Developing real-time risk assessment and forecasting tools.
- Identifying and closing any forecasting data gaps.
- Managing day-to-day weather-related system impact threats and risks.
- Providing information to internal operation groups to inform and recommend changes to operational postures during periods of elevated risk, as depicted in Figure 7-2.

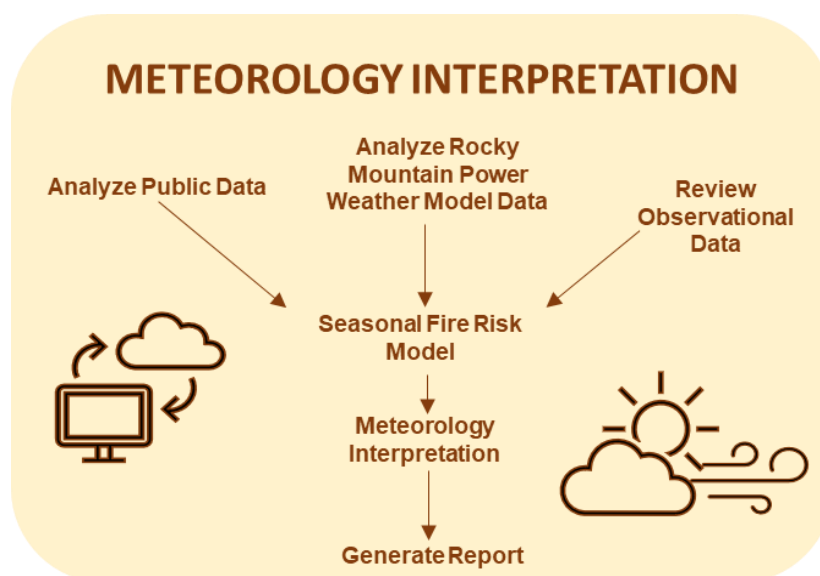


Figure 7-2: Meteorology Daily Process

The Meteorology Department also coordinates with government agencies that provide additional weather and fire risk information relevant to the company’s service territory and assets. For instance, during high-risk weather events, company meteorologists participate in coordination calls hosted by the National Weather Service and the Geographic Area Coordination Center. In these calls, the Meteorology Department discusses forecasting discrepancies and seeks or provides clarity regarding external messages from a utility or the National Weather Service.

7.2 High-Resolution Weather Forecasting

An operational Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) model and a complementary WRF reanalysis form the foundation of the meteorology program. These forecasting tools enable the company to take meaningful action in advance of severe weather to reduce restoration times, plan for resourcing, and increase reliability.

Operational WRF Model

The operational WRF model generates a twice-daily, 2-kilometer-resolution, hourly five-day forecast of atmospheric, fire weather, and National Fire Danger Rating System (NFDRS)

parameters. The WRF model provides a more complete view of fine-scale atmospheric and fire metric features than most publicly available models. In early 2025, the WRF data was extended from three and a half to five days ahead.

The WRF data is overlaid on overhead distribution circuits and transmission lines, along with other relevant utility asset data for further analysis. Recently, a WRF ensemble model forecast was developed to complement the deterministic WRF model forecast. The WRF ensemble provides nine additional high-resolution forecasts, delivering important data for forecasting high-impact, low-probability weather events.

WRF Reanalysis

The company operates a 2-kilometer-resolution, hourly WRF reanalysis covering the past 34 years. The reanalysis uses the same weather, fire weather, and NFDRS parameters as the operational WRF model to minimize forecasting bias. Reanalysis data is updated annually.

The reanalysis data is correlated with historical outage data and wildfire events using a statistical approach to improve the company's weather-related outage and wildfire risk thresholds. Operational WRF model outputs are displayed on the company's GIS tools to aid in the visualization of the daily forecast into circuit-level system impacts and map the intersection of fire weather and outage-related risks across the service territory.

Machine Learning

Rocky Mountain Power uses station-level machine learning weather forecasts to bias-correct and enhance the company's deterministic WRF model using data from PacifiCorp weather stations. These forecasts are used to validate internal WRF guidance against observed conditions and support PSPS preparedness, situational awareness, and operational decision-making during fire season.

The machine learning forecasts leverage historical model performance and real-time observations to improve forecast accuracy at specific locations, particularly for temperature, dewpoint, wind speed, and wind gusts. The enhanced station-based guidance supports daily operational forecasting to assess outage potential during high-impact weather events, which in turn informs wildfire risk awareness during fire season.

The company uses a machine learning normalized differential vegetation index tool trained on specifics of the service territory that enables forecasters to assess the relative health of vegetation (i.e., how stressed the vegetation is).

7.3 Weather Station Network

Rocky Mountain Power uses a combination of public weather data and company-owned and operated weather stations to monitor conditions and inform system operations. By installing its own weather stations, the company can fill coverage gaps, adjust the reporting intervals to support real-time operations, and control the calibration and maintenance to ensure high-quality data. To maintain optimal performance, company-owned stations are calibrated annually.

As of April 1, 2026, Rocky Mountain Power has 80 weather stations in Wyoming installed directly on utility infrastructure, as well as portable weather stations that it can deploy as needed during extreme weather events. An additional five weather stations are planned for 2026.



Figure 7-3: Rocky Mountain Power Weather Station

7.4 Wildfire Risk Models and Tools

The company leverages a variety of models and tools to assess dynamic wildfire risk.

FireRisk

- Part of Technosylva's Wildfire Analyst Enterprise (WFA-E) modeling suite.
- Performs millions of wildfire simulations daily across the company's service territory.
- Estimates wildfire risk (both ignition and impact) out to 126 hours, given fuel, weather, and other conditions.
- Output is combined with overhead distribution and transmission asset location data to provide location-specific wildfire risk and consequence forecasts to inform operational decision-making (Figure 7-4).
- Produces data on the population threatened and potential impact to assets and fire behavior metrics (e.g., buildings that would be threatened in the event of a wildfire).

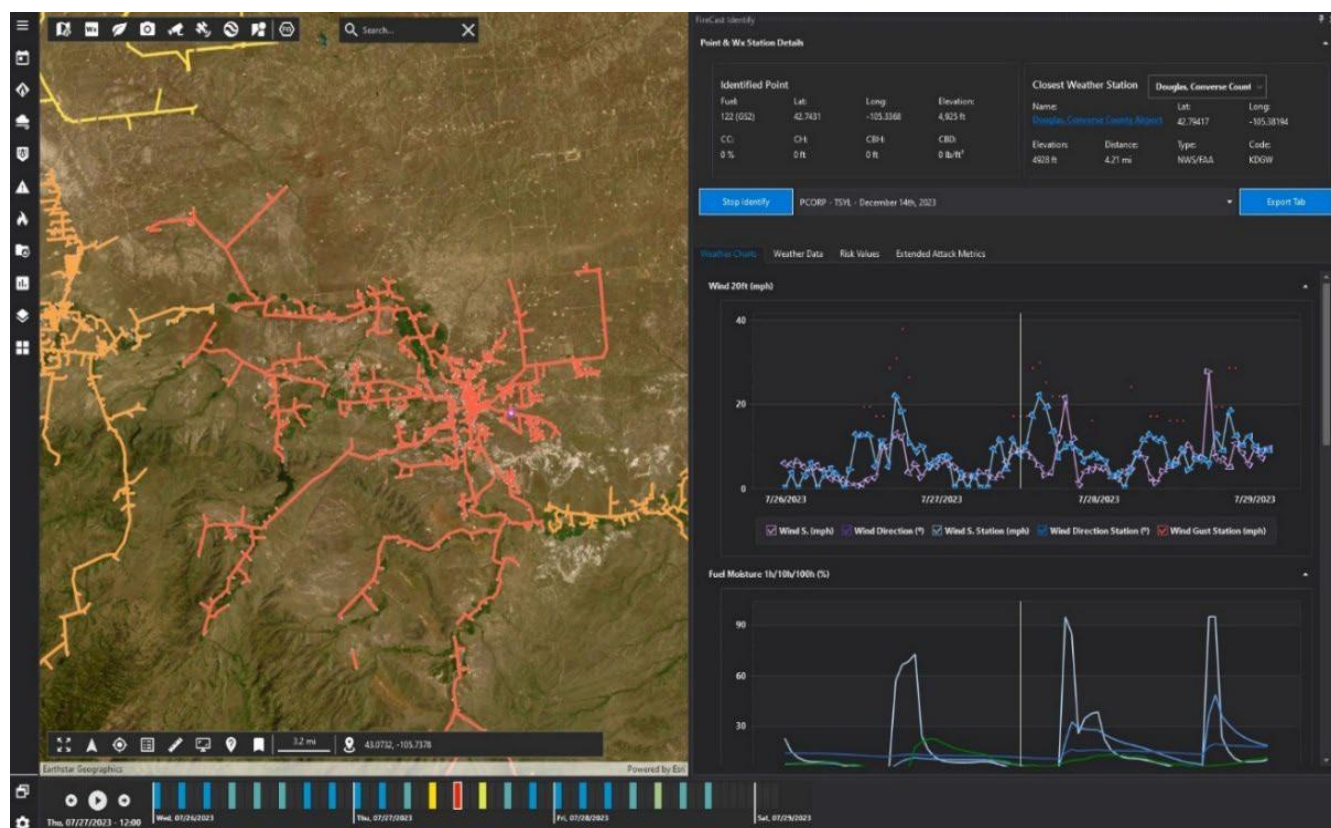


Figure 7-4: Example of FireRisk Output from Converse County, WY, July 2023

FireSim

- Part of Technosylva’s WFA-E modeling suite.
- Runs simulations that forecast potential fire behavior and spread from a 1- to 126-hour period.
- Assesses the potential impact on populations, buildings, utility assets, and other resources.
- Assumes no suppression efforts to slow the fire’s spread and considers the following:
 - **Initial attack assessment:** The anticipated difficulty of initial suppression efforts by first responders and the likelihood of containing the fire within the first operating period.
 - **Population at risk:** The number of people in the path of the fire and the estimated time for the fire to reach populated areas.
 - **Assets at risk:** Physical assets potentially affected by the fire, including utility equipment, residential and commercial buildings, barns, outbuildings, and other structures, as well as the estimated time for the fire to reach those assets.
 - **Places at risk:** Locations such as parks, reservoirs, cultural sites, or campgrounds.
 - **Weather and fuels conditions:** Wind speed, direction, fuel moisture content.

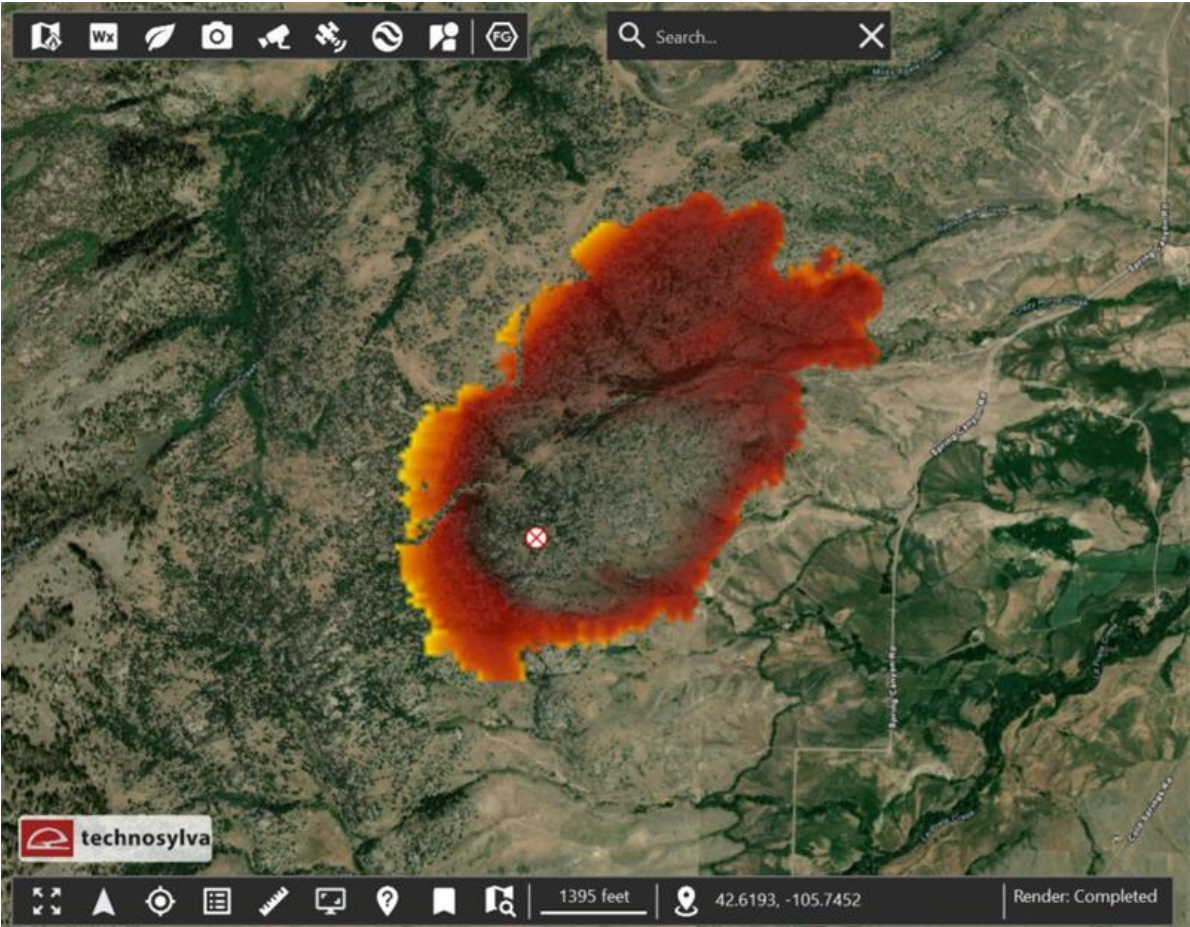


Figure 7-5: Example FireSim Output

Fire Potential Index Composite

- A supplementary metric that quantifies the potential for large or consequential wildfires based on weather, fuels, and terrain.
- Combines the Fire Potential Index (FPI) Raw values and FPI Percentile values to generate a composite score for any given location.
- Ranks fire potential from very low to extreme (Figure 7-6).
- Used to guide operational decision-making as it relates to wildfire risk and spread.

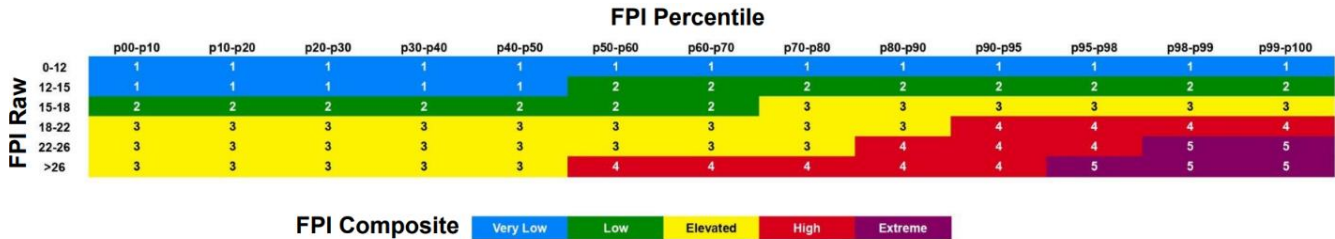


Figure 7-6: Fire Potential Index Composite

Firelytics

- A data suite developed by Sonoma Technology that provides both historical and near real-time wildfire dataset information.
- Provides essential historical wildfire data for refining and validating current wildfire risk criteria, including PSPS.
- Supplies updated wildfire data for active incidents to support near real-time monitoring.
- May support additional use cases, to be evaluated upon arrival in late 2027.
- Expected to be operational for the 2028 fire season.

7.5 System Impacts Forecasting

The Meteorology Department leverages the tools described above to produce district-level and circuit-level forecasts that assign risk levels and guide operational decision-making.

District-Level System Impacts Forecast

The Meteorology Department produces a daily district-based, weather-related system impacts forecast that helps guide the decision to implement operational, short-term risk mitigation programs and measures. Under certain conditions, wildfires can occur anywhere there is sufficient wildland vegetation that is dry and flammable, even in historically low-risk areas. Therefore, the system impacts forecast covers the company's entire service territory.

The five-day forecast displays the outage potential and wildfire risk for each district in a color-coded matrix (Figure 7-7). A written weather summary accompanies the matrix to provide key details for decision-making, including timing, historical norms, wind gust values, and precipitation totals.

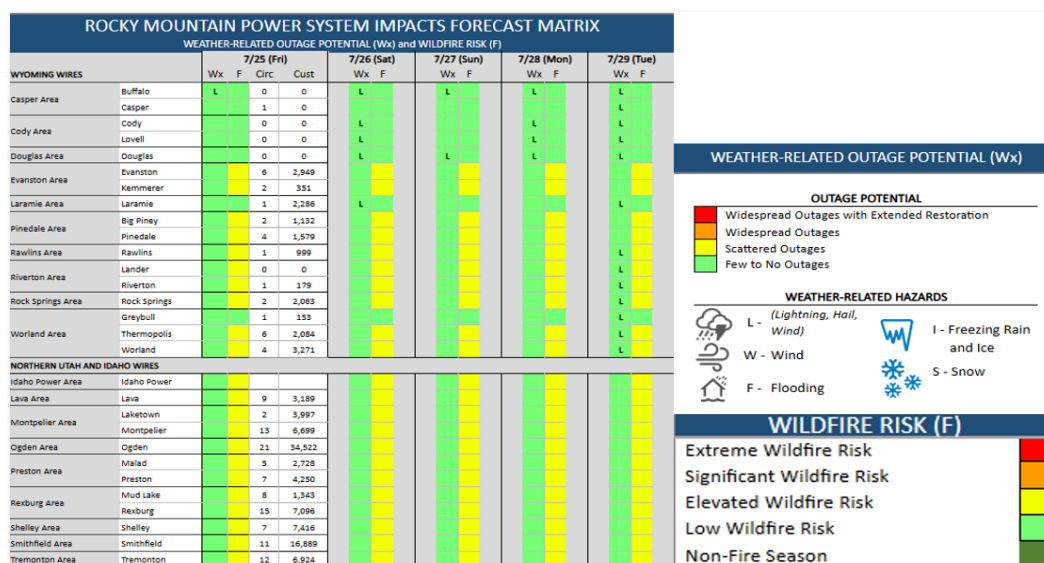


Figure 7-7: System Impacts Forecast

Circuit-Level Wildfire Risk Map

Districts can span a wide variety of terrain and fuels, leading to different weather conditions. In 2025, the company developed a circuit-level wildfire risk map to forecast wildfire risk based on a combination of weather and fuel conditions at the circuit or circuit segment level.

Areas of similar terrain and vegetation height are grouped into polygons using a land cover data layer and overlaid on the company's transmission and distribution assets (Figure 7-8). This geospatial approach allows the company to operate the network at an appropriate scale, reducing impacts to customers outside the affected area when implementing measures such as enhanced safety settings (ESS). Integrating this method with an asset database has improved efficiency and timing when deploying and disabling ESS when risk subsides.



Figure 7-8: Fuel and Terrain Polygon Map

7.6 Additional Resources

Wildfire Intelligence Center

In 2025, the company established the Wildfire Intelligence Center to address the growing wildfire risk in the states PacifiCorp serves.

- Provides 24/7 monitoring of hazards that threaten company equipment, with a focus on wildfire.
- Modeled after the best practices and insights of other western state investor-owned utilities that have integrated similar advance notification technology and intelligence gathering to inform decision-making and coordination with fire authorities.
- Monitors live events and provides situational awareness and support, with the goals of early detection, rapid resource deployment, enhanced public safety partner coordination, and faster customer notification.
- Provides a daily Power Delivery Briefing, including Emergency Coordination Center activation status, a weather outlook, and significant outage impacts.
- During wildfire season, provides a Daily Wildfire Report, with detailed information on active fires.

Public Situational Awareness Website

The company's weather stations and WRF model generate a considerable amount of data each day. Rocky Mountain Power makes this data available to its employees, customers, and public safety partners through a situational awareness website.³

- Data is automatically updated on the website and displayed in maps and tables depicting weather conditions at a specific location over a period of time (Figure 7-9).
- Also includes weather station observations and forecast data from trusted government sources, including the National Weather Service, allowing the company to compare real-time weather observations with forecast data.
- Includes the wind climatology of each weather station, with real-time and forecast wind conditions color-coded based on station-specific statistics.
- Features informational videos and links to Rocky Mountain Power's wildfire camera and weather station feeds.
- Data is integrated into an internal dashboard used for situational awareness during periods of elevated risk, such as during a PSPS. The dashboard is customizable based on the event scale and includes station alert speeds and other decision points.

³ Rocky Mountain Power situational awareness website: <https://www.rockymountainpower.net/outages-safety/wildfire-safety/situational-awareness1.html>.

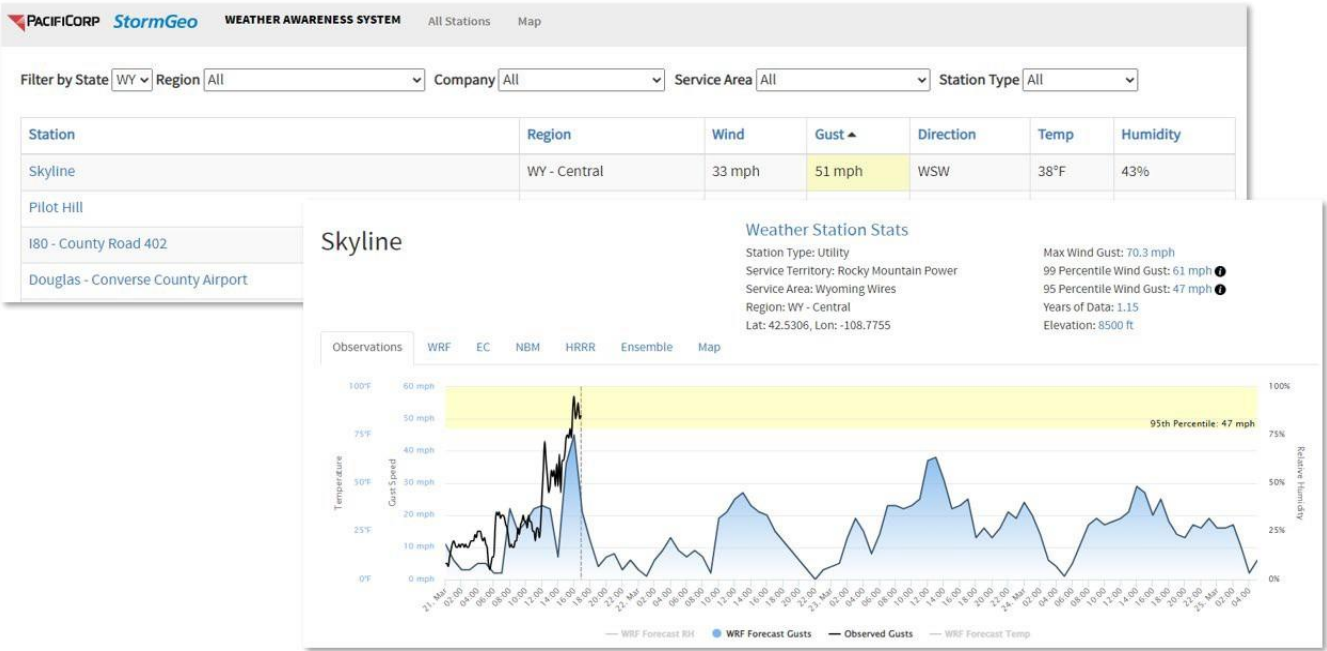


Figure 7-9: Publicly Available Data from a Weather Station in Central Wyoming

8. System Operations

Adjusting power system operations during periods of elevated wildfire risk can help mitigate the potential for wildfire ignitions. However, such adjustments can also increase the frequency and duration of customer outages. Therefore, a balance is required to provide customers with reliable power while operating the system safely during periods of elevated fire risk. To support this balance, the company is deploying technologies such as fault indicators and assessing outages to inform short-term mitigation practices. In implementing these practices, Rocky Mountain Power abides by its governing policy, PAC-1000 – Operating T&D Assets During Periods of Elevated Wildfire Risk, as well as system operations procedures (SOPs) that support operational work practices.

8.1 Protective Relay Devices

Protective relay devices, such as circuit breakers and line reclosers, are currently deployed on distribution lines, where practical, throughout the company’s service territory.

When a line trips open due to fault activity, protective relay devices can be programmed to momentarily open, allow the fault to dissipate, and then reclose to test if the fault is temporary. The reclosing function allows service to be restored on a line that has tripped while maintaining the option to open again if the fault persists. If the fault is permanent, the protective relay device will operate and stay open, known as the “lock out” state, until the line has been deemed ready for re-energization. Figure 8-1 depicts one potential configuration of a distribution circuit with multiple protective relay devices.

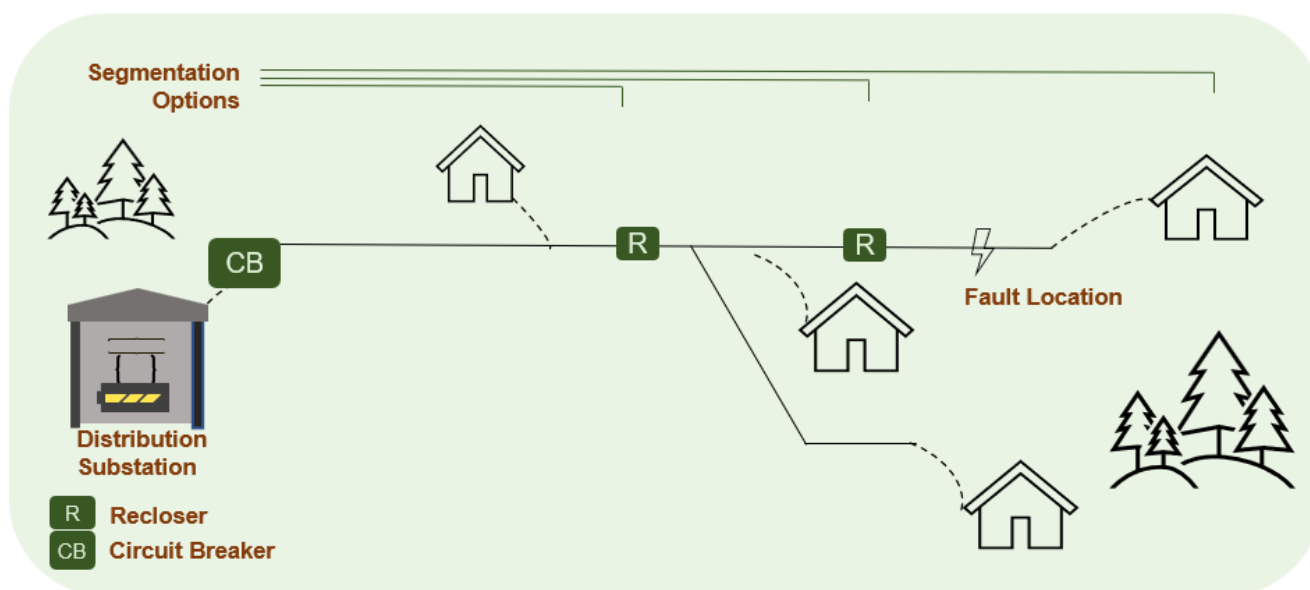


Figure 8-1: Example of Distribution Circuit with Protective Relay Devices

In general, reclosers improve service reliability by reducing the number of sustained outages. The reclosing function, however, poses some degree of ignition risk. If a fault persists, reclosing can, depending on the circumstances, result in arcing or an emission of sparks. Accordingly, a strategic balance between customer reliability and wildfire mitigation is required.

Rocky Mountain Power has used reclosing disabling strategies on transmission lines for many years, with minimal impact on service reliability. In recent years, the company has expanded their use to address the growing wildfire risk.

PacifiCorp's substation control advanced network (SCAN) automatically retrieves and archives enriched event data from protective relays. The data collected includes sequence-of-event logs and oscillography event files associated with breaker operations, overcurrent faults, and high-impedance faults. Files and logs collected by the system are generally available to control center engineers within a few minutes of an event occurring, enabling in-depth analysis including classification of fault types, fault magnitudes, and probable locations determined through analysis with impedance models. The data also can help assess the performance of protective settings and provide early indication of high-impedance fault events.

8.2 Enhanced Safety Settings

During periods of heightened wildfire risk, Rocky Mountain Power may take additional safety precautions by placing protective devices such as circuit breakers and line reclosers on more sensitive settings to reduce the risk of igniting a fire. These settings are known as enhanced safety settings (ESS). ESS are intended to reduce arc energy expended during a fault event and avoid fuse operation by using fast tripping while maintaining an acceptable level of service reliability.

The primary method to reduce arc energy is to reduce fault interruption time. A short interruption time minimizes two critical hazards: sustained arcing and hot-surface ignition. The shorter the duration of the arc, the less time there is to heat fuels to their ignition temperature and start a fire. ESS are designed to clear faults in < 1 second compared with traditional schemes where clearing times can be 4–10 seconds.

Total arc energy expended can be further reduced by limiting the number of times the arc may be established. This can be accomplished by adopting a policy of limited reclosing while in an ESS mode. Since reclosing is an important tool for maintaining service reliability, reclosing functionality in certain ESS modes is influenced by the severity of wildfire risk conditions. This strategy is covered in the company's PAC-1000 policy.

Rocky Mountain Power has a variety of substation relays and recloser controllers on protective devices that may be placed in ESS modes. Protective devices with relays that have not been

upgraded to microprocessor-based relays use existing tag and recloser control functions to mitigate wildfire risk.

Implementing ESS on the distribution network can impact customer reliability by increasing the potential for sustained outages. To avoid unnecessary impacts to customers, the company uses daily risk assessment and situational awareness reports (Section 7) to guide decisions to implement ESS modes. The company notifies affected customers when placing them on ESS. Customers receive this notification by email or paper letter, depending on their communication preferences. In addition, the company will contact the Wyoming Public Service Commission.

In 2024, the company began annually evaluating circuits placed in ESS and their reliability impacts to identify targeted short-term mitigation projects and reduce impacts on customers. The 2025 results for Wyoming are shown in Table 8-1. Rocky Mountain Power uses this data to determine where to upgrade and add reclosing devices to isolate customers when ESS are triggered. Adding additional segmentation points also decreases outage durations because patrols can be completed more quickly over shorter distances.

Table 8-1: 2025 Reliability Impacts for Circuits Activated in ESS (Wyoming)

Metric	Number
Number of Outages	172
Average Duration of Outages (minutes)	124
Frequency of Outages per Circuit	3
Number of Customers Impacted	35,324
Average Response Time for Outages (minutes)	57

8.3 Fault Indicators

The time it takes to patrol a line and restore service during an outage can be significantly reduced when a fault can be quickly located. The company has installed fault indicators across its service territory on circuits where ESS are more likely to be implemented, such as in the HFRA and surrounding areas. Figure 8-2 depicts the general configuration. When an outage occurs, regional operators and field personnel use these tools to narrow down potential fault locations, optimize the deployment of resources, and expedite restoration.

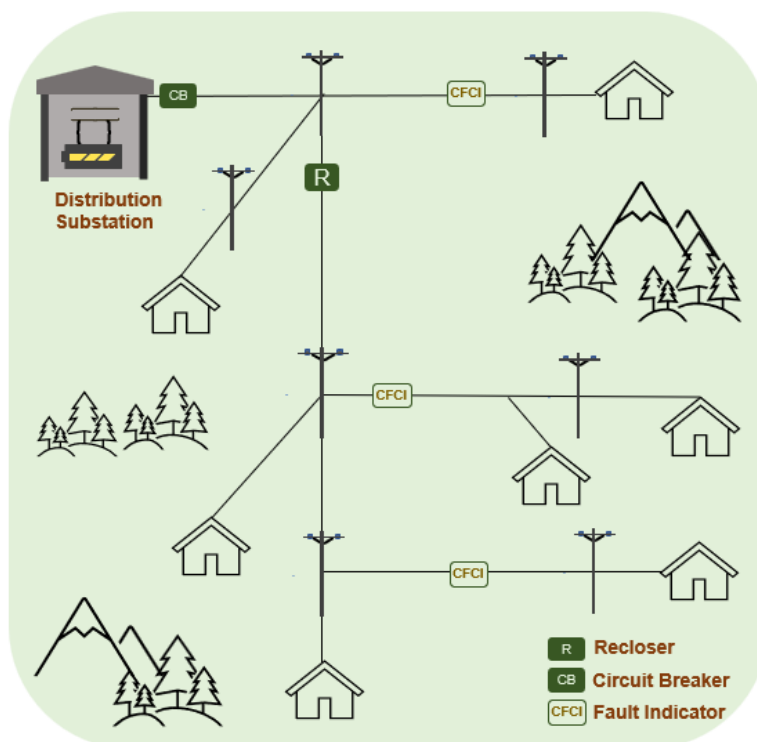


Figure 8-2: Fault Indicator Configuration

8.4 Re-Energization Practices

In addition to enabling ESS, the company also modifies its re-energization practices based on risk assessments, balancing customer reliability and wildfire mitigation.

If a breaker or recloser has “locked out,” meaning it has opened and no longer conducts electricity, a system operator or field personnel will test a line if it meets criteria outlined in PAC-1000 and SOP-203 – Wildfire Encroachment. To test the line, the system operator will close the device, thereby allowing the line to be re-energized. If the fault has cleared, the system will run normally. If the fault has not cleared, the device will lock out again. If the device locks out again, the system operator then knows additional investigation or work will be required before the line can be successfully re-energized.

Because faults are often temporary, line-testing can be an efficient tool to maintain customer reliability, similar to the use of reclosing described above. However, line-testing can potentially result in arcing or an emission of sparks if a fault has not yet cleared when the line is tested. If criteria as outlined in PAC-1000 and SOP-203 are met, the line can be tested. If the line cannot be tested, a mainline patrol is required.

9. Field Operations & Work Practices

During heightened fire risk season, the company may modify work practices to reduce the potential of direct or indirect ignition during planned work activities, fault response, and outage restoration.

9.1 Modified Work Practices

Work Restrictions

To help effectively manage work during fire season, area managers regularly review local fire conditions and the weather forecasts provided by the Meteorology Department. During fire season, operations managers are encouraged to defer any nonessential work at locations with dense, dry wildland vegetation, especially during periods of heightened fire weather conditions. If essential work is needed in areas with appreciable wildfire risk, certain restrictions may apply, including:

- **Hot Work Restrictions.** Evaluating whether field personnel should perform work during a planned interruption rather than while a line is energized.
- **Time of Day Restrictions.** Using alternate working hours to accommodate evening and night work when there may be less risk of ignition.
- **Wind Restrictions.** Reevaluating whether work may be deferred when windy conditions are observed.
- **Driving Restrictions.** Keeping vehicles on designated roads whenever operationally feasible.



Figure 9-1: Line Workers Performing Work

Modified Practices

When the Meteorology Department forecasts elevated, significant, or extreme wildfire conditions, local operations may modify operating practices accordingly. For instance, personal protective equipment and basic firefighting tools are required for any field work conducted during periods of elevated fire risk or higher (Yellow, Orange, or Red in Table 9-1). After considering the conditions of a particular circuit, local area management will determine whether any hot work modifications should be made. For circuits with extreme wildfire risk (Red), local area management will cancel planned hot work.

Table 9-1: T&D Operations Based on Fire Risk Potential

Practice	Fire Risk Potential		
	Yellow	Orange	Red
Personal Protective Equipment and Tools	✓	✓	✓
Daily Hot Work Evaluation	✓	✓	✓
Additional Work Evaluation		✓	✓
Cancel Hot Work			✓

Where allowed in accordance with land management/agency permit requirements, workers might remove wildland vegetation that poses an ignition risk from a worksite if the work involves the potential emission of sparks.

The company also follows local United States Forest Service work practice requirements, as outlined in their Industrial Fire Precaution Levels.⁴ These are issued as forest orders and change depending on the time of year and the forest.

Additional Patrols

When wildfire risk is elevated, proactive, targeted patrols may be performed. These patrols target obvious defective equipment and conditions that could lead to increased ignition risk. Targeted patrols allow for expedited correction of any serious conditions. They also provide valuable reports of the situation on the ground.

⁴ “Industrial Fire Precaution Levels,” United States Forest Service, accessed November 10, 2025, <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r06/ochoco/fire/info/industrial-fire-precaution-levels>.

During heightened fire risk season and particularly in the HFRA, field personnel may spend additional time responding to outages. Traditional restoration practices can increase the risk of wildfire ignition. To mitigate this risk, wires operations may perform line patrols on certain de-energized sections of the circuit, depending on worksite conditions and the duration of the restoration work. This extra patrol might be done just before or just after re-energizing the line. Typically, this type of line patrol does not involve a close inspection of a facility; instead, it is a visual assessment specifically targeted to identify obvious foreign objects that may have fallen into the line during restoration work.

9.2 Equipment

Mobile Communication Devices

During wildfire events, field personnel must be able to communicate quickly and effectively with the local district office and control center to maintain safe system operations and support emergency response and restoration activities. The company employs emergency communication alternatives, such as Starlink devices, in locations where there is no cellular coverage. The Starlink devices provide a Wi-Fi hot spot connection to allow communication with the local district office and the control center. Because these devices support multiple programs across the company, they will be incorporated into normal operational spending in 2026 and beyond.

Basic Personal Suppression Equipment

In the extremely unlikely event that a fire ignites during field activity, personnel are equipped with basic fire suppression tools and are instructed to attempt suppression only if the fire is small enough such that one person can safely suppress it. During heightened fire risk season, field utility trucks in the HFRA typically carry the following equipment: (1) fire extinguisher, (2) shovel, (3) Pulaski, (4) water container, and (5) dust mask. The water container must hold at least five gallons and may be a pressurized container or a backpack with a manual pump (or other).

Water Trailer Resources

Rocky Mountain Power has water trucks or trailers that field operations use to mitigate wildfire risk. These resources are not dispatched to reported fires. Instead, they are strategically assigned to accompany field personnel if conditions warrant. Depending on local conditions, dry vegetation in the immediate vicinity may be sprayed with water before conducting work as a preventive measure. In the unlikely event of an ignition, the water trailer may be used to assist in suppressing a small fire.

10. Wildfire Training, Monitoring & Response

10.1 Training

Rocky Mountain Power provides wildfire training to its employees via instructor-led courses and training materials. Training is delivered based on job classification to employees who support wildfire mitigation work across the company's service territory.

Wildfire Training Center

- Built in 2020 to train personnel on how to install and maintain wildfire mitigation technologies such as covered conductor, advanced detection devices, and weather stations.
- Instructor-led training courses cover a multitude of topics supporting wildfire mitigation and response.
- Includes space to test equipment and conduct analyses, including a pole yard where personnel get firsthand practice installing equipment before going out into the field.

Wildfire Training Materials

- A suite of iOS eBooks and mobile applications to prepare employees for wildfire events, with the goal of decreasing response time and increasing response effectiveness.
- Topics include a wildfire protection overview, roles and responsibilities, and PSPS.
- Includes interactive scenarios to help inform and guide actions should an incident occur.
- Accessible offline by field personnel for reference on an ad hoc basis.

10.2 Wildfire Monitoring and Response

Historically, Rocky Mountain Power responded to active wildfires after receiving notification from 911 or other agencies. When notified of a wildfire, the company would dispatch personnel to the site to assess potential threats to company assets.

Advances in early detection technologies have enabled the company to take a more proactive role in assessing wildfire threats as incidents evolve. To support this approach, the company established the Wildfire Intelligence Center (see Section 7.6), where dedicated personnel monitor alerts from camera networks, fire agency dispatch, official sources, and social media. This capability better positions the company to assess threats earlier and determine appropriate actions while balancing public safety, asset protection, and electric service reliability. The Wildfire Intelligence Center initiates and executes actions that involve multiple stakeholders to align information and action.

Emergency Management

- Supports public safety partner response and coordination efforts during wildfire-related incidents.
- Meets regularly with public safety partners on emergency response.
- Manages the emergency coordination center (ECC) when activated. See Section 11.2 for more on the ECC.

Fire and Emergency Response Managers

Since 2025, the company has employed fire and emergency response managers (FERMs) to better inform operational decisions during active wildfires. FERM's have a background in wildland firefighting and experience in complex incident management leadership and coordination.

- Provide operational and wildfire support as agency representatives between the company and fire agencies on scene.
- Provide on-site support of field crews and fire agencies during wildland fires and other events to improve coordination and communication and ensure the safety of employees and the public.
- Work with the Wildfire Intelligence Center to validate threats, issues, and concerns.
- Are strategically located in the company's operational areas to supplement information with established fire agency relationships in their jurisdiction.

Active Wildfire De-Energizations

Consistent with PacifiCorp policies and procedures, Rocky Mountain Power may de-energize power lines when an active wildfire is within a pre-defined distance of company equipment. The purpose of these de-energizations is to protect firefighters and reduce the risk of energized equipment contributing to fire spread. The process is governed by PacifiCorp's Wildfire Encroachment System Operations Procedure, SOP-203.

11. Public Safety Power Shutoff Program

During periods of the greatest wildfire risk, Rocky Mountain Power may temporarily de-energize power lines to reduce the risk of ignition, limit wildfire spread, and protect first responders and critical infrastructure during wildfire emergencies. Such a practice is known as a public safety power shutoff (PSPS).

A PSPS is implemented as a last resort and is intended to supplement, not replace, existing wildfire mitigation strategies. The company's PSPS program is governed by the 2026 PSPS Execution Playbook. The general process is depicted in Figure 11-1.

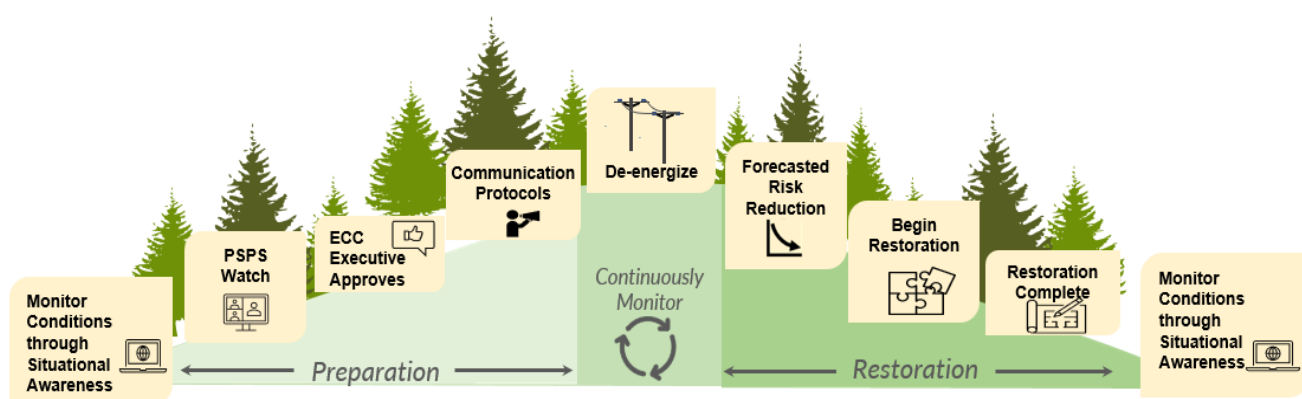


Figure 11-1: PSPS Overview

11.1 Situational Awareness Monitoring

During periods of extreme risk, including during PSPS assessment and activation, the Meteorology Department generates daily situational awareness reports, including on weekends. These reports identify where fuels are critically dry, where and when fire weather conditions are expected, and where and when the weather is forecast to negatively impact system performance and reliability. The intersection of these conditions drives the potential for a PSPS event (Figure 11-2).

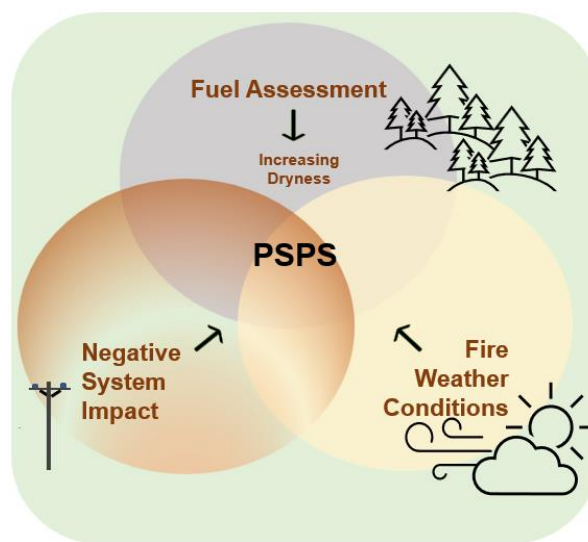


Figure 11-2: PSPS Assessment

When the district fire risk is extreme, the Meteorology Department uses a combination of its WRF and outage models, WFA-E wildfire models, and subject matter expertise to identify circuits of concern. The Emergency Management Department schedules a coordination meeting to discuss these circuits of concern and determine the appropriate operational response, up to and including implementing a PSPS.

11.2 PSPS Watch

When weather forecasts indicate extreme wildfire risk, a PSPS watch is initiated. During a PSPS watch, the company enhances its situational awareness monitoring and prepares for a possible de-energization event. Actions during a PSPS watch include:

- Activating an emergency coordination center (ECC).
- Communicating with local public safety partners and regulatory agencies, including the Wyoming Public Service Commission.
- Implementing additional line monitoring activities.

Emergency Coordination Center

The ECC provides critical support to operational resources throughout a PSPS event, from the time a PSPS watch is initiated until energy is restored. The ECC is led by an ECC executive and supported by a safety officer, a joint information team, the Emergency Management and Meteorology departments, and operational stakeholders representing field operations, system operations, vegetation management, engineering, and other specialties.

Key ECC actions during a PSPS watch include

- Coordinating, as appropriate, with local, county, Tribal, and state emergency management to provide information through the assigned agency representative.
- Preparing a PSPS action plan that includes location details, event timing, and projected duration.
- Sending advance notifications to the operators of pre-identified critical facilities, partner utilities, shared facilities, and adjacent local public safety partners. Notification details include estimated timing and event duration, potential customer impacts, and GIS shapefiles that include PSPS boundaries for areas subject to de-energization.
- Preparing to open community resource centers, as needed, and deploying or staging field resources.
- Deploying crews to perform field assessments of lines or remotely monitoring them from the coordination center.

- Notifying the Wyoming Public Service Commission (PSC):
 - The company will notify the Wyoming PSC in the event of a planned PSPS de-energization, as outlined in the 2026 PSPS Execution Playbook. This notification will include an email to WPSC-Outages@wyo.gov and CC to Commission Notice WY and a one-time call to the Wyoming Outage Line: 307-777-5722.
 - Notifications of de-energization via PSPS and ESS will be documented for regulatory reporting purposes and submitted to the Wyoming PSC after the event has ended. Staff will be notified via phone call. Service interruptions that meet the criteria for reportable service interruption events will be reported to the Wyoming PSC within two hours of determination of the interruption reporting threshold.

Upon ECC activation, the company's public information officer will distribute press releases to news outlets that serve the affected areas and will manage press inquiries throughout the PSPS event. The company's customer care agents will attempt, time and circumstances allowing, to make personal outbound calls to known customers with medical and other access and functional needs (AFN). The results of the contact are reported to the ECC executive. If an AFN customer needs additional assistance, the ECC quickly relays the information to local public safety partners. Such coordination may lead to a wellness check.

Consistent with existing regulations and the general mandate to operate the electric system safely, the ECC has discretion to determine if and when a PSPS is warranted. Given the potential impacts on customers and communities, the ECC executive considers all available information, including real-time operational conditions and input from ECC participants, public safety partners, and field observers. In making a de-energization decision, the ECC executive considers impacts to water systems and pumping facilities, AFN customers, traffic signals for people moving into and out of areas, and other critical community functions. These considerations are discussed with Incident Command or local emergency management officials to align on a path forward. While elevated risk may necessitate de-energization, a return to service may be implemented after discussing these various impacts.

Any operational adjustments associated with shared facilities will be coordinated and communicated with all owners/operators.

11.3 Customer Communications

Rocky Mountain Power recognizes that clear and timely communication is key to a successful PSPS event, and the company strives to provide as much advance notice as practical to impacted parties. Nonetheless, PSPS decisions are made based on weather forecasts, which can change quickly with little forewarning. Accordingly, advance notice may not always be possible.

Rocky Mountain Power attempts to send PSPS notifications following the timeline in Table 11-1. All potentially impacted customers receive these notifications via email and text message, based on the contact information they provided. In addition, customers who specified a preference to be contacted by phone receive phone call notifications. Customers whose email or text notifications are undeliverable are notified by telephone to ensure delivery of critical information. Customers who self-identified as having access and functional needs or a medical certificate receive a person-to-person phone call from the customer service team in addition to email and text message notifications.

Table 11-1: PSPS Notification Timeline

Timeline	Summary
48–72 hours prior	De-energization warning to public safety partners, Wyoming Public Service Commission, and operators of critical facilities
24–48 hours prior	De-energization warning to customers
1–4 hours prior	De-energization imminent
0 hours	De-energization begins
Status updates	Every 24 hours during event (if needed)
Restoration	Re-energization begins
PSPS ends	Re-energization completed
PSPS canceled	De-energization event canceled (if needed)

At each PSPS notification point, the company also shares information through local media, social media channels, its public safety partners, and other key stakeholders. Regular updates across all available channels are distributed as they become available. Information includes

- Estimated de-energization date, time, and duration.
- A 24-hour means of contact for customer inquiries and links to pertinent PSPS websites.
- Event status updates and re-energization expectation notices.

Customers with specific language needs can contact the company’s customer care number and request to speak with an agent in their preferred language. The company employs Spanish-speaking customer care professionals and contracts with a 24/7 service that provides interpretation in real-time over the phone in multiple languages and dialects. Customer care agents receive training on wildfire safety and preparedness and PSPS-related information to ensure customers receive the information they are seeking.

Public Safety Portal

Public safety partners are an essential component of any PSPS communication plan. These partners provide essential insight into the geography and cultural demographics of affected areas and can advise on protocols that affect customers with limited broadband access, special language or medical needs, or vision or hearing impairment. Proactive communication with these agencies helps them prepare for anticipated operational impacts internally and mitigate any community-wide impacts that may occur because of de-energization.

In 2024, the company launched the Public Safety Portal, a secure, web-based mapping application to communicate critical information to public safety partners and critical facilities during a PSPS event. Information shared on the portal includes the location of the planned de-energization, primary and secondary contact information, and backup generation capabilities of critical customers. Public safety partners can access the portal during PSPS events to receive live, real-time updates and request support for critical facilities that may be impacted by the outage. The portal also helps the company prioritize power restoration, backup power evaluation, additional communications, and allocation of other resources before and during PSPS events.

PSPS Website

The Rocky Mountain Power PSPS website⁵ provides timely, detailed information on PSPS events. The site features an interactive map (Figure 11-3) where users can input an address to see if a residence or business may be affected. When a potential PSPS is announced, the map is updated to display the boundaries of potentially affected areas. The website is easily accessible by mobile device, and a mobile app is available that enables customer access to real-time outage information.



Figure 11-3: PSPS Map

⁵ Rocky Mountain Power PSPS website: <https://www.rockymountainpower.net/outages-safety/wildfire-safety/public-safety-power-shutoff.html>.

11.4 Re-Energization

Throughout a PSPS event, conditions are continually monitored. When they no longer meet the requirement for a PSPS, re-energization activities begin. Figure 11-4 shows the general steps.

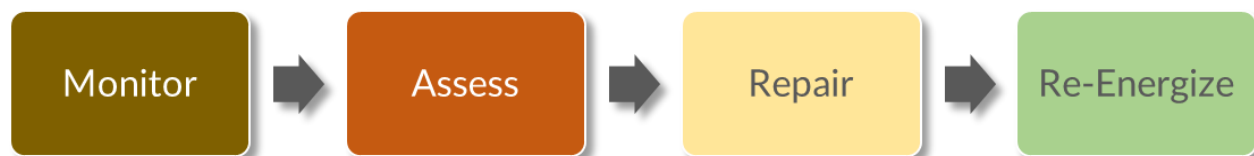


Figure 11-4: General Re-Energization Process

Field personnel begin assessing the de-energized circuits through ground or air patrols. Power lines that were de-energized during a PSPS event may have been exposed to strong winds and potential damage. Before re-energizing a line, the company assesses the circuit for damage. Field personnel report any damage to the ECC, where it is tracked. Any necessary repairs are made within an appropriate corrective time period.

Where possible, the company follows a step restoration process, restoring power to customers as the assessment progresses instead of waiting until the entire impacted area has been assessed. This concept is visually depicted in Figure 11-5.

Wherever possible, the company also works with emergency and public safety partners to identify critical customers to prioritize. After the line patrol and facility inspection is completed, the impacted circuits or portions of circuits are re-energized, and the date and time of re-energization is logged. Once service is restored to all customers impacted by the PSPS event, the event ends.

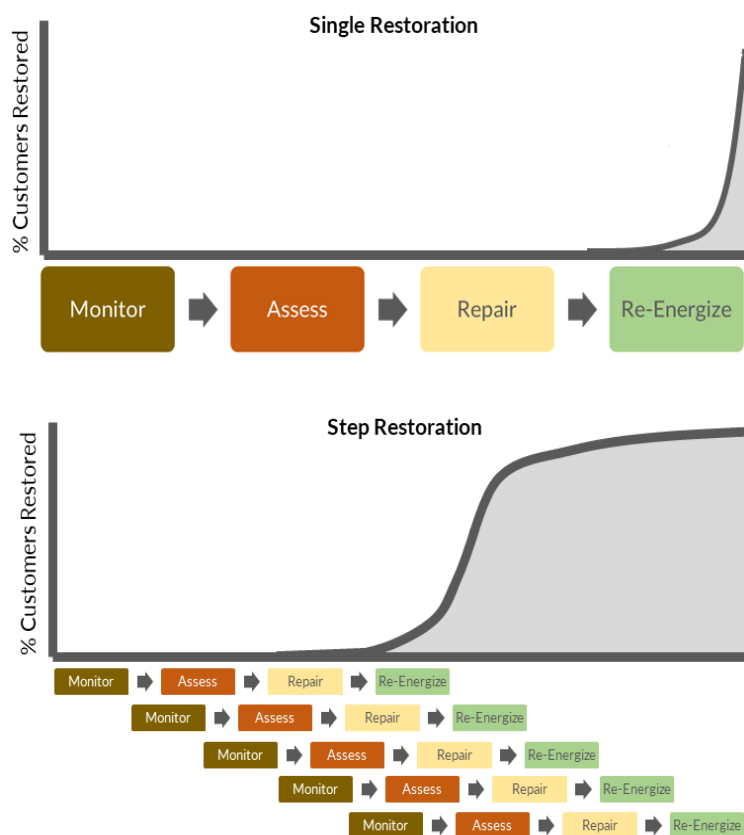


Figure 11-5: Visual Depiction of Step Restoration

11.5 Community Resource Centers

In collaboration with community and public safety partners, the company may activate community resource centers, as appropriate, in impacted areas to provide services that might be interrupted by a PSPS. Community resource centers adhere to all existing local, county, state, or federal public health orders.

Local emergency management will be notified of community resource center activation, generally three days prior to a planned de-energization, when possible. Activation timing, protocols, and locations are discussed with these partners during outreach activities, as discussed below.



Figure 11-6: Community Resource Center

11.6 Customer Impact Reduction Programs

The company is actively exploring a suite of customer-focused backup power support programs in Wyoming aimed at reducing the impact of wildfire-related outages and PSPS, particularly for medically vulnerable customers. While still in the scoping and evaluation phase, these initiatives, including a battery loaner program, a free portable battery program, and a rebate program option, are being designed for possible implementation beginning in 2027. Each concept is grounded in equity, resilience, and community input and will complement broader wildfire mitigation efforts if advanced through the company's governance process.

11.7 Public Safety Partner Coordination

Rocky Mountain Power coordinates with its public safety partners on wildfire mitigation and PSPS preparedness. These efforts are critical to ensuring community safety and are considered cost-effective components of the overall mitigation strategy.

In 2025, Emergency Management met with Wyoming public safety partners and attended local emergency planning committee sessions to discuss all-hazards preparedness and response, including wildfire mitigation and planned de-energizations.

The company collects after-action reports from exercises and real-world wildfire safety and PSPS events, requesting feedback on areas for improvement, potential corrective actions, and suggestions for plan or procedure development. The company evaluates this feedback for inclusion in a comprehensive plan, which is subsequently shared with the relevant public safety partners.

12. Community Outreach & Public Awareness

Rocky Mountain Power supports community engagement and outreach and strives to provide clear, actionable, and timely wildfire program information to customers, community stakeholders, and regulators.

12.1 Wildfire Communications and Outreach

Rocky Mountain Power’s overall approach to wildfire communications and outreach focuses on safety and public awareness. The company runs advertising, customer email, and proactive news media engagement campaigns.

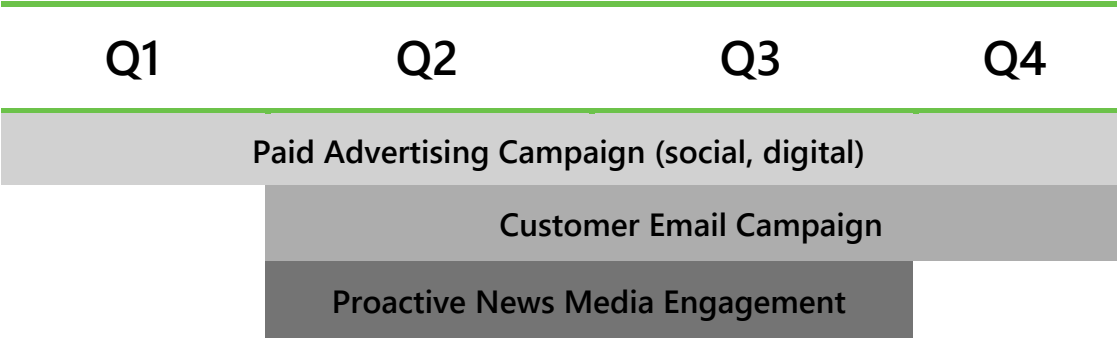


Figure 12-1: Wildfire Communications and Outreach Plan Timeline

Paid Advertising Campaign

Rocky Mountain Power uses targeted static and video advertisements across a variety of media platforms (Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube) to educate customers about wildfire preparedness and safety, operational practices, and investments designed to reduce wildfire risk, such as system strengthening initiatives. These campaigns include calls to action directing customers to the company’s online wildfire safety and preparedness resources, including its Wildfire YouTube Channel (Figure 12-2).

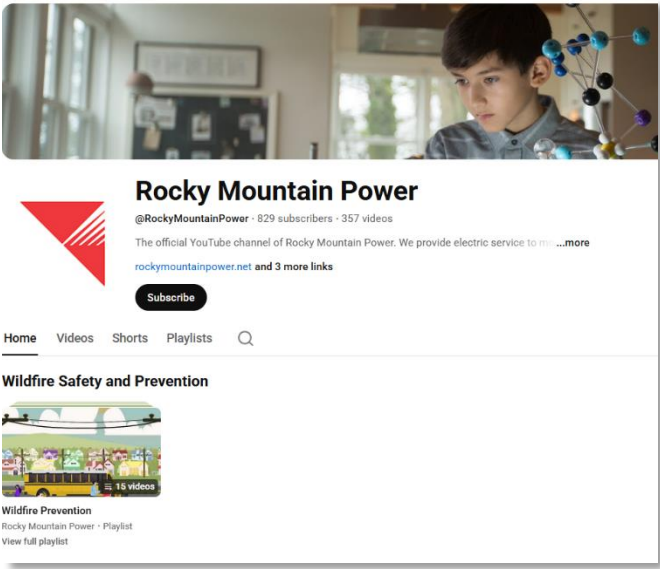


Figure 12-2: Wildfire YouTube Channel

Customer Email Campaign

Customers are sent wildfire safety and preparedness emails before and during wildfire season. The company sends a pre-season wildfire email, as well as a message with the customer's bill. Starting in 2026, the company will also send wildfire messaging to primary account holders for businesses or managed properties. This messaging includes encouragement for electricity-dependent customers to prepare accordingly. During wildfire season, the company also sends out messaging related to ESS and/or PSPS events.

News Media Engagement

Engaging with local and regional news media outlets is another key component of the wildfire communication and outreach campaign. The company is proactive in issuing press releases, weather advisories, and power status advisories. Rocky Mountain Power also shares press releases as social media posts and distributes them to news outlets. In addition, the company maintains a media hotline through which news outlets can reach the company's communications team to make an inquiry.

12.2 Educational Resources

Wildfire Safety and Prevention Website⁶

- Updated in 2025 with two new webpages focused on system strengthening and situational awareness.
- Includes infographics, videos, and handouts about the company's wildfire mitigation programs, general wildfire safety, community preparedness, and more (Figure 12-3).
- Contains detailed information about PSPS, ESS, and emergency de-energizations.
- Includes links to the WMP, along with webinars and videos describing key plan components.
- Prompts site visitors to update their contact information.

⁶ Rocky Mountain Power wildfire safety website: <https://www.rockymountainpower.net/outages-safety/wildfire-safety.html>.

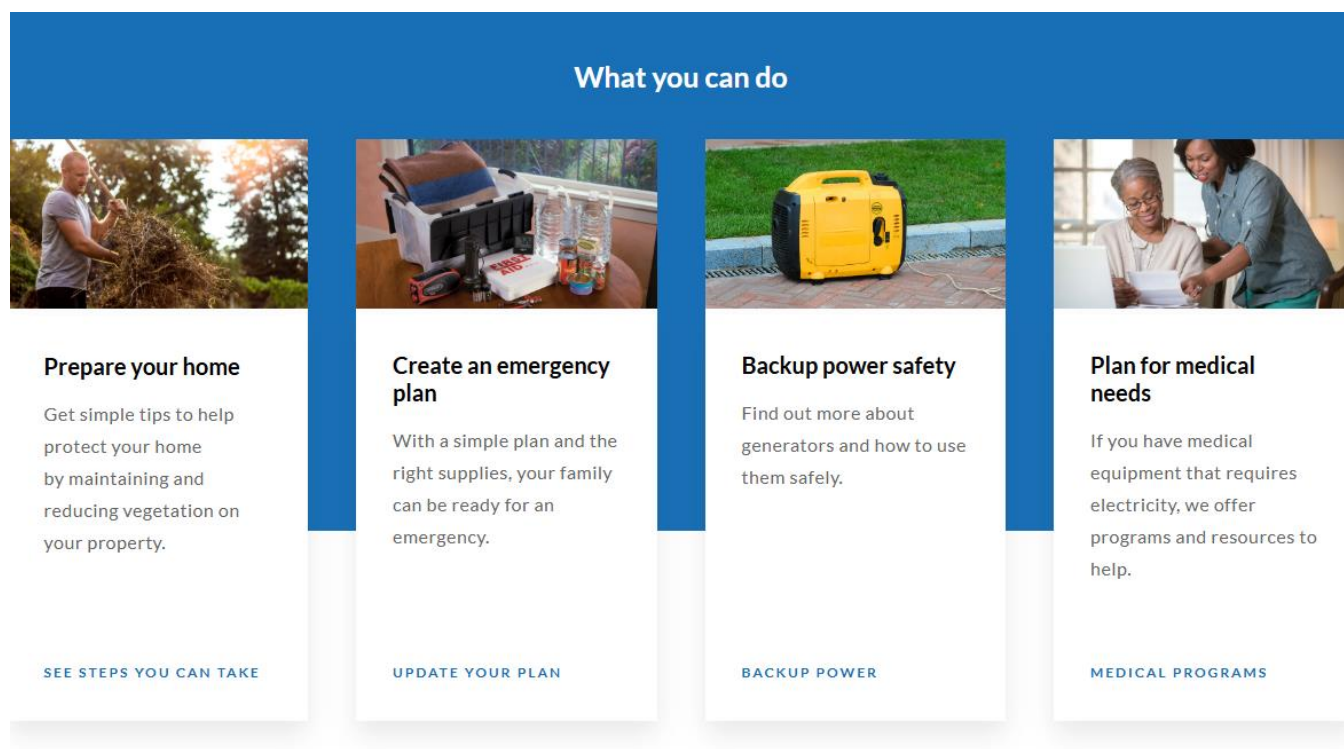


Figure 12-3: Wildfire Safety Website Content

Support Collateral

- Print and digital wildfire safety and preparedness brochures, infographics, and safety checklists (Figure 12-4).
- Available on the company's wildfire safety website.
- Used at public meetings and community events as applicable to educate customers about wildfire safety and provide general information on emergency kits/plans, preparation checklists, and other topics.
- Reviewed annually and updated as needed to help ensure information remains relevant, accessible, and actionable.

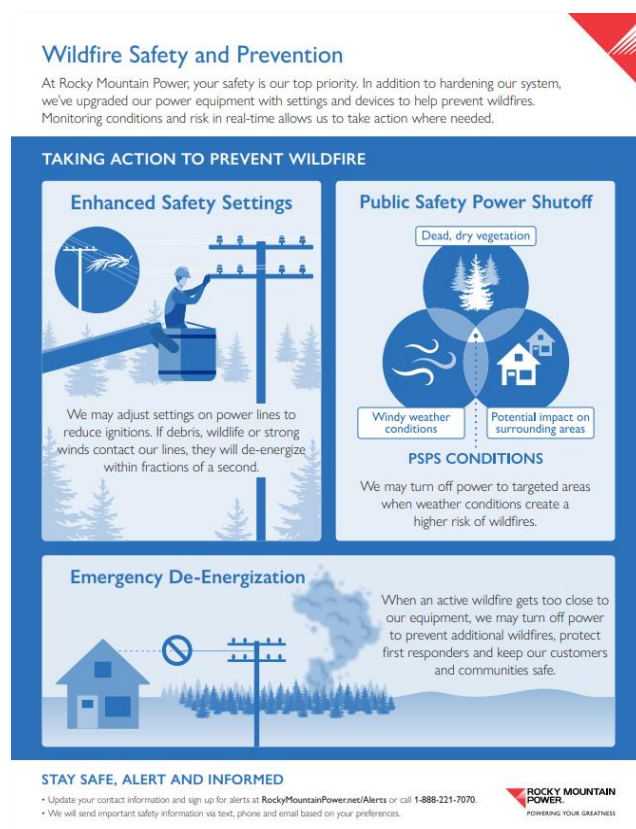


Figure 12-4: Sample Support Collateral

12.3 Community Events

Rocky Mountain Power hosted a series of community wildfire events in Wyoming in May and June 2025 (Table 12-1). These events were free to attend and were promoted to customers and the community. Subject matter experts from the company’s wildfire mitigation and emergency management teams presented elements of the WMP, while local operations teams presented ongoing work and improvements related to wildfire. These wildfire awareness events will continue as needed in 2027 and beyond.

Table 12-1: 2025 Community Events

Activity	Location	Date
Wildfire Webinar	Online	April 29, 2025
Community Forum	Cody, Wyoming	May 20, 2025
Community Forum	Casper, Wyoming	May 21, 2025
Community Forum	Laramie, Wyoming	May 22, 2025
Community Forum	Rock Springs, Wyoming	June 4, 2025

13. Industry Collaboration

Through active participation in workshops, international and national forums, consortiums, and advisory boards, Rocky Mountain Power works diligently to stay current on best practices and collaborates with industry experts on emerging technologies and research.

International Wildfire Risk Mitigation Consortium (IWRMC)

- An industry-sponsored collaborative of which the company is an active member.
- Promotes sharing of wildfire risk mitigation insights and fosters the discovery of innovative and unique utility wildfire practices from around the globe.
- Facilitates a system of working and networking channels between members of the global utility community to share data, information, technology, and practices.

Western Wildfire Communications Workshop

- Attended by communications teams from utilities in the western United States and Canada to discuss wildfire communications.
- PacifiCorp hosted the first event in November 2024. The workshop included discussions on internal communications, digital media, paid media, media relations, community engagement, lessons learned from the 2024 wildfire season, and expected 2025 challenges.
- Additional events planned for 2026.

Electric Power Research Institute (EPRI) Climate Resilience and Adaptation Initiative (READi)

- A three-year initiative, completed in July 2025, to develop a common framework to assess climate risk, address resiliency, and evaluate investments.
- Participants included Rocky Mountain Power, industry stakeholders, and other utilities.
- Framework includes alignment on a consistent approach to understanding climate-related data, application, and trends and applying a common set of climate data to perform asset and system vulnerability assessments and to evaluate investments and grid hardening technologies across power systems.
- EPRI published the results of the initiative, *Climate READi Compass*,⁷ the primary tool for navigating the framework and accessing the related resources and publications, which are available for company use. The company is assessing the recommendations of the framework.

⁷ Climate READi Compass: <https://apps.epri.com/climate-readi-compass/en/>.

14. Plan Objectives & Costs

14.1 2026–2028 Objectives

Table 14-1 summarizes the company’s 2025 achievements and 2026–2028 objectives for Wyoming. Within the system strengthening and situational awareness categories, planned objectives may span multiple years. The projects listed typically progress through planning, design, and/or engineering phases as described in Section 3 and Section 6.2. The targets include the planned quantity for when the initiative will be installed.

Table 14-1: Summary of Program Achievements and Objectives 2025–2028

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
Risk Modeling & Mitigation				
Maintain baseline risk maps and framework to identify areas that are subject to a heightened risk of wildfire and inform longer term, multi-year investment and programs	• Implemented standardized logic for circuit segment creation using momentary zones of protection • Migrated from unitless risk to monetized risk • Implemented risk assessment for ESS and PSPS • Implemented benefit–cost ratio logic to determine cost efficiency per mitigation program • Developed mitigation selection framework using reverse tree logic • Implemented risk reduction calculations per circuit segment • Improved model architecture for increased reproducibility, traceability, and flexibility	• Update HFRA • Use FireSight data to implement PMV2 with BCRs • Improve circuit graph tracing logic to improve circuit segment creation • Improve model architecture • Implement automated verification and validation • Identify cost effective system strengthening projects	• Continue planning model updates • Review HFRA for potential updates • Update FireSight data • Conduct third-party review of model logic • Implement climate change impacts	• Continue planning model updates • Review HFRA for potential updates • Update FireSight data • Create dynamic circuit segments to allow for optimized construction project designation based on BCRs

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
Asset Inspection & Correction				
Continue HFRA inspection programs (5-yr detailed, annual visual assurance), accelerated correction time frames for fire threat conditions (12 months or less where feasible), and implementation of infrared inspections on transmission lines	- Completed 100% of visual assurance patrol inspections across the entire service territory - Corrected 100% of I and A priority level fire threat conditions within correction time frame	- Complete 100% of visual assurance patrol inspections across the entire service territory - Correct 100% of I and A priority level fire threat conditions within correction time frame	- Complete 100% of visual assurance patrol inspections across the entire service territory - Correct 100% of I and A priority level fire threat conditions within correction time frame	- Complete 100% of visual assurance patrol inspections across the entire service territory - Correct 100% of I and A priority level fire threat conditions within correction time frame
System Strengthening				
Long-term investment to mitigate wildfire risk, including line rebuilds, system protection and control equipment upgrades, and overhead fuse and adjacent equipment replacements	- Completed LaBarge distribution relay replacement - Began 5H164 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Began 5H168 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project	- Complete distribution relay replacement in Casper substation - Complete distribution relay replacement in Fort Casper substation - Continue 5H164 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Continue 5H168 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Anticipated production release of Distributed Sensor Operation Insights and Analytics	- Continue 5H164 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Continue 5H168 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Continue implementing Distributed Sensor Operation Insights and Analytics	- Begin 4H26 South Cody (Upper) distribution line rebuild - Continue 5H164 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Continue 5H168 Community Park (South) distribution line rebuild – multi-year project - Maintain Distributed Sensor Operation Insights and Analytics

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
Situational Awareness				
Continue to install company-owned weather station network and reach program maturity. Continue to operate both weather and fire risk modeling to inform operational decision making. Provide enhancements over the plan period to the internal WRF model	• Launched the Wildfire Intelligence Center • Installed 5 weather stations • Extended forecast time of internal WRF model from 3.5 days to 5 days • Implemented a nine-member WRF ensemble internal weather model • Implemented machine learning weather station bias-correction tool • Extended WRF historical dataset by 1 year of additional data • Continued operational use of machine learning normalized differential vegetation index to assess vegetation health • Continued internal validation of PacifiCorp WRF model	• Install 5 weather stations • Improve machine learning capabilities related to weather forecasting • Extend WRF historical dataset by 1 year	• Install 12 weather stations • Continue validation of PacifiCorp model • Extend WRF historical dataset by 1 year • Continue to improve machine learning capabilities related to weather forecasting	• Install 7 weather stations and reach weather station network maturity • Continue validation of PacifiCorp WRF model • Extend WRF historical dataset by 1 year • Continue to improve machine learning capabilities related to weather forecasting

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
System Operations				
Risk-based implementation of ESS settings and re-energization practices in a manner that balances risk mitigation with potential impacts to customers	- Continued risk-based implementation of ESS and re-energization practices - Continued implementing ESS circuit improvement projects on top reliability impacted circuits from ESS	- Continue risk-based implementation of ESS and re-energization practices - Continue implementing ESS circuit improvement projects on top reliability impacted circuits from ESS	- Continue risk-based implementation of ESS and re-energization practices - Continue implementing ESS circuit improvement projects on top reliability impacted circuits from ESS	- Continue risk-based implementation of ESS and re-energization practices - Continue implementing ESS circuit improvement projects on top reliability impacted circuits from ESS
Field Operations & Work Practices				
Acquire and maintain key equipment (water trucks and personal suppression equipment) and implement risk-based work practices and resource adjustments	Implemented and administered training of ESS work practices to field personnel across the state	Roll out automated ESS device assignment application for more efficient setting changes in the field	Provide covered conductor tools to field personnel across areas with newly installed covered conductor	Train field personnel on newly installed automated underground equipment. This equipment is new for field personnel in the state.
PSPS Program				
Maintain the ability to actively monitor conditions, assess risk, and implement a PSPS as a measure of last resort in a manner that limits the impacts to customers and communities consistent with regulatory requirements	- Conducted outreach and trained public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal - Continued outreach focused on wildfire preparedness, mitigation, and operational practices - Continued improving real-time situational awareness tools	- Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal - Continue outreach focused on wildfire preparedness, mitigation, and operational practices - Continue improving real-time situational awareness tools	- Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal - Continue outreach focused on wildfire preparedness, mitigation, and operational practices - Continue improving real-time situational awareness tools	- Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal - Continue outreach focused on wildfire preparedness, mitigation, and operational practices - Continue improving real-time situational awareness tools

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
Wildfire Training, Monitoring & Response				
Develop and implement a public safety partner engagement strategy to enhance coordination and ensure preparedness	• Partner engagement with public safety partners: 10 exercises, outreach, & coordination meetings • Conducted outreach and trained public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal	• Partner engagement with public safety partners as of June: 11 exercises, outreach, & coordination meetings • Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal	• Continue engagement with public safety partners • Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal	• Continue engagement with public safety partners • Conduct outreach and train public safety partners to use the Public Safety Portal
Vegetation Management				
Perform vegetation management work based on standard programs	• Completed 100% of vegetation inspections and maintenance in HFRA	• Complete 100% of HFRA distribution, transmission, and pole clearing maintenance • Complete 100% of post-work audits in HFRA	• Continue with standard vegetation management programs • Complete 100% of HFRA distribution, transmission, and pole clearing maintenance • Complete 100% of post-work audits in HFRA	• Continue with standard vegetation management programs • Complete 100% of HFRA distribution, transmission, and pole clearing maintenance • Complete 100% of post-work audits in HFRA
Community Outreach & Public Awareness				
Manage a multi-pronged approach to engage and inform the public and customers regarding wildfire safety and preparedness	• Continued customer wildfire safety and prevention messaging before, during, and after heightened fire risk season • Continued paid media campaign	• Continue customer wildfire safety and prevention messaging before, during, and after heightened fire risk season • Continue paid media campaign	• Continue customer wildfire safety and prevention messaging before, during, and after heightened fire risk season • Continue paid media campaign	• Continue customer wildfire safety and prevention messaging before, during, and after heightened fire risk season • Continue paid media campaign

General Program Description	2025 Achievements	2026 Objectives	2027 Objectives	2028 Objectives
Industry Collaboration				
Participate in consortiums, forums, and advisory boards to collaborate with industry experts, maintain expertise in leading-edge technologies and operational practices, and continue to improve and advance the WMP and its programs	• Continued multistate industry collaboration	• Continue multistate industry collaboration	• Continue multistate industry collaboration	• Continue multistate industry collaboration

14.2 2026–2028 Planned Costs

Delivering Rocky Mountain Power’s multi-year WMP, as summarized above, requires an increase in investment across multiple years. For 2026, Rocky Mountain Power is currently forecasting an investment of \$18.5 million capital and \$3 million expenses. Costs, broken down by program, are listed in Table 14-2 and Table 14-3. These tables show the incremental cost to implement the 2026–2028 WMP. The incremental costs shown in the tables below are the additional costs above and beyond the normal operations and maintenance programs that have been in place prior to development of the WMP. Some programs, such as system strengthening, require a finite investment with a planned end date. Other programs, such as enhanced inspections or vegetation management, are expected to be ongoing and annual. Rocky Mountain Power’s estimated rate impact compared to what is in rates today for cost year 2026 in Wyoming, including recovery of actual and forecasted capital placed in service throughout 2025, is 0.04%.

In addition to evaluating the WMP’s elements, Rocky Mountain Power is also monitoring potential cost-sharing and partnership opportunities to secure federal and state grant funding and offset the potential impacts to customers. Many of the company’s wildfire mitigation programs, such as system strengthening, which include investment in transformational technology, align with the goals and objectives of potential grant funding.

For instance, a proposed distribution line rebuild project identified for circuit 4H26 South Cody (Upper) would be partially funded through Wyoming Energy Authority’s Preventing Outages and Enhancing the Resilience of the Electric Grid grant program. This grant has not yet been finalized. This proposed project has 22 miles of an 80-mile circuit scoped to be undergrounded using this resilience grant. The BCR for this project is 0.6. This project could begin construction in 2028. The budget breakdown submitted to the Wyoming Energy Authority in October 2025 includes total project costs of \$19.6 million, with the grant covering \$4.4 million and PacifiCorp’s cost equaling \$15.2 million. This cost is subject to change.

An additional grant from the Department of Energy PEER/REFORM Program is expected to provide approximately \$0.7 million in expense reimbursement.

Table 14-2: Planned Incremental Capital Investment by Category (\$millions)*

Program Category	Total 2026	Total 2027	Total 2028	3-Year Total
Asset Inspection & Correction	\$ 1.0	\$ 3.4	\$ 3.5	\$ 7.9
<i>Fire Threat Asset Condition Corrections – Distribution (fire threat B conditions)</i>	<i>\$ 0.9</i>	<i>\$ 2.6</i>	<i>\$ 2.7</i>	<i>\$ 6.2</i>
<i>Fire Threat Asset Condition Corrections – Transmission (fire threat B conditions)</i>	<i>\$ 0.0</i>	<i>\$ 0.8</i>	<i>\$ 0.8</i>	<i>\$ 1.6</i>

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Program Category	Total 2026	Total 2027	Total 2028	3-Year Total
System Strengthening	\$ 17.0	\$ 12.9	\$ 19.1	\$ 49.0
<i>SCAN Distribution Recloser</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
<i>CFCI Installations</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.2
<i>Distribution Line Rebuild/Covered Conductor</i>	\$ 14.3	\$ 8.1	\$ 14.2	\$ 36.6
<i>Fuse Saver & Recloser</i>	\$ 1.2	\$ 1.8	\$ 2.8	\$ 5.8
<i>System Automation</i>	\$ 1.5	\$ 2.7	\$ 1.9	\$ 6.1
Situational Awareness	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.0
<i>Computer Software (subscriptions & licenses)</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.6
<i>Weather Station Installation</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.4
Public Safety Partner Coordination	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.2
<i>Public Safety Portal Maintenance</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.2
Grand Total	\$ 18.5	\$ 16.7	\$ 22.9	\$ 58.1

*Numbers may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Table 14-3: Planned Incremental Expense by Category (\$millions)*

Program Category	Total 2026	Total 2027	Total 2028	3-Year Total
Wildfire Risk Modeling	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.9	\$ 0.3	\$ 1.5
<i>Monetized Risk Program</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.7	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.9
<i>WMP Risk Reduction/Modeling</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3
<i>HFRA Map Refresh</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3
Asset Inspection & Correction	\$ 0.6	\$ 1.0	\$ 0.9	\$ 2.5
<i>Infrared Imaging – Distribution</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Infrared Imaging – Transmission</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Drone Inspections – Distribution</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.2
<i>Drone Inspections – Transmission</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Annual Distribution Inspections (Annual Safety)</i>	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 1.2

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Program Category	Total 2026	Total 2027	Total 2028	3-Year Total
<i>Annual Transmission Inspections (Local Transmission Visual Inspections – Safety)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Fire Threat Asset Condition Corrections – Distribution (fire threat B conditions)</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.9
<i>Fire Threat Asset Condition Corrections – Transmission (fire threat B conditions)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
<i>Accelerated Correction Timeframes for Fire Threat Conditions (12 months or less)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Additional Distribution Inspections (Detail)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Additional Transmission Inspections (Local Transmission Detailed Inspection – Detail)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Vegetation Management	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.5	\$ 1.3
<i>WMP Vegetation Administration</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Vegetation F-code work – Distribution</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.5
<i>Vegetation F-code work – Transmission</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Vegetation Patrol/Inventory – Distribution</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
<i>Vegetation Patrol/Inventory – Transmission</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Vegetation Foreign Objects and Debris (fall-in mitigation)</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>HFRA Pole Distribution Clearing</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.4
System Strengthening	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
<i>CFAN Cellular Field Area Network</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>SCAN Distribution Recloser</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>CFCI Data & Firmware</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
Situational Awareness	\$ 1.1	\$ 1.3	\$ 3.5	\$ 5.9
<i>Weather Station Preventive Maintenance</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3
<i>Weather Station Corrective Maintenance</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>WMP Emergency Management</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1
<i>Emergency Response</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3
<i>WMP Meteorology</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.2
<i>Wildfire Intelligence Center (WIC)</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.6

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Program Category	Total 2026	Total 2027	Total 2028	3-Year Total
<i>Computer Software (subscriptions & licenses)</i>	\$ 0.6	\$ 0.8	\$ 3.0	\$ 4.4
Field Operations & Work Practices	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 1.1
<i>Incremental Outage – Overhead Line Fault Repairs, Feeder on Settings</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Incremental Outage – Underground Line Fault Repairs, Feeder on Settings</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Drone Patrols – Distribution</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Drone Data Management & Software</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>EFR Setting Patrols</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.7
<i>Encroachment De-Energization Patrol</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Vehicles</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Public Safety Partner Coordination	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Public Safety Portal Maintenance</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>External Partner Coordination</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Community Resource Center Staffing</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Community Outreach & Public Awareness	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>Safety & Preparedness Engagement & Communication</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Plan Monitoring & Implementation	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.4	\$ 0.4	\$ 1.1
<i>Wildfire Grant Study</i>	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.1	\$ 0.3
<i>WMP Program Delivery</i>	\$ 0.2	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.3	\$ 0.8
Industry Collaboration	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>IWRMC Membership</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
<i>EPRI Climate READi Program</i>	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0	\$ 0.0
Grand Total	\$ 3.0	\$ 4.5	\$ 6.1	\$ 13.6

*Numbers may not sum to totals due to rounding.

Appendix A – Wildfire Risk Modeling Data Inputs

Table A-1 lists the datasets used in the company’s risk models described in Sections 2 and 7 of this WMP. Many of the datasets are provided and managed by Technosylva, who owns and maintains WFA-E, which includes the FireSight, FireRisk, and FireSim models.

Table A-1: Risk Model Datasets, Data Sources, and Update Frequency

Dataset	Spatial Resolution (meters)	Start of Dataset	Update Frequency	Source
Landscape Characteristics				
Terrain	10	N/A	Yearly	United States Geological Survey (USGS)
Surface Fuels	30/10	2020	Pre-Fire Season, Monthly Update in Fire Season, End of Fire Season	Technosylva
Wildland Urban Interface (WUI) and Non-Forest Fuels Land Use	30/10	2020	Twice a Year	Technosylva
Canopy Fuels (CBD, CH, CC, CBH)	30/10	2020	Pre-Fire Season, Monthly Update in Fire Season, End of Fire Season	Technosylva
Roads Network	30	N/A	Yearly	USGS
Hydrography	30	N/A	Yearly	USGS
Croplands	30	1997	Yearly	United States Department of Agriculture
Weather and Atmospheric Data				
Wind Speed	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	Atmospheric Data Solutions (ADS)
Wind Direction	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Wind Gust	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Air Temperature	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Surface Pressure	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Relative Humidity	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	Technosylva
Precipitation	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS

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Dataset	Spatial Resolution (meters)	Start of Dataset	Update Frequency	Source
Radiation	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Water Vapor Mixing Ratio 2 meter	2000	1990	Hourly/96-Hour Forecast	ADS
Snow Accumulated – Observed	1000	2008	Daily	National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA)
Precipitation Accumulated – Observed	4000	2008	Daily	NOAA
Burn Scars	10	2000	5 Days	National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)/European Space Agency
Weather Observations Data	Points	1990	10 Minutes	Synoptic
Fuel Moisture				
Herbaceous Live Fuel Moisture	250	2000	Daily/5-Day Forecast	Technosylva
Woody Live Fuel Moisture	250	2000	Daily/5-Day Forecast	Technosylva/ADS
1-Hour Dead Fuel Moisture	2000	1990	Hourly/124-Hour Forecast	Technosylva/ADS
10-Hour Dead Fuel Moisture	2000	1990	Hourly/124-Hour Forecast	Technosylva/ADS
100-Hour Dead Fuel Moisture	2000	1990	Hourly/124-Hour Forecast	Technosylva/ADS
Values at Risk				
Buildings	Polygon Footprints	2020–2021	Yearly	Microsoft/Technosylva
Damage Inspection	Points	2014–2021	Yearly	CAL FIRE
Population	90	2019	Yearly	LANDSCAN, Oak Ridge National Laboratory
Roads	Vector Lines	2021	Yearly	Wyoming DOT
Social Vulnerability	Plexels	2021	Yearly	Esri GeoEnrichment Service
Fire Stations	Points	2021	Yearly	Esri, USGS
Building Loss Factor	Building Footprints	2022	Yearly	Technosylva

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Dataset	Spatial Resolution (meters)	Start of Dataset	Update Frequency	Source
Critical Facilities	Points	2021	Yearly	USGS National Structure Dataset
Potential Ignition Locations				
Distribution & Transmission Lines	Linear Segments	2022	Quarterly	Rocky Mountain Power
Poles & Equipment	Points	2022	Quarterly	Rocky Mountain Power
Outage History	Points	1989	Yearly	Rocky Mountain Power
Ignition History	Points	2020	Yearly	Rocky Mountain Power
Fire Activity				
Hotspots MODIS	1000	2000	Twice Daily	NASA
Hotspots VIIRS	375	2014	Twice Daily	NASA
Hotspots GOES 16/17	3000	2019	10 Minutes	NASA
Fireguard	Polygons	2020	15 Minutes	National Guard
Fire Season Perimeters	Polygons	2021	Daily	National Incident Feature Service
Historic Fire Perimeters	Polygons	1900	Yearly	FireGuard
Alert Wildfire Cameras	Live Feeds	Real-Time	1 Minute	Alert Wildfire Consortium
Lightning Strikes	1000	Real-Time	1 Minute	Earth Networks/ Others

Appendix B – Compliance with Wyo. Stat. § 37-3-403

Table B-1: WMP HB0192 Compliance Matrix

Wyo. Stat. Ann. Section	WMP Sections
Section 37-3-403(a) (i) <i>Description of the electric utility's service territory and the areas within the service territory or rights-of-way that may be subject to a heightened risk of wildfire;</i>	1: Introduction 1.2: Service Territory 2: Wildfire Risk Modeling 2.1: Heightened Fire Risk Area
Section 37-3-403(a) (ii) <i>Description of the procedures, standards and schedules that the electric utility will use to inspect and operate its transmission and distribution infrastructure, if any;</i>	4: Asset Inspection & Correction (All subsections) 5: Vegetation Management 5.2: Pruning and Removal 5.3: Quality Control 5.4: Forest Health and Fire Resiliency Partnership Opportunities 8: System Operations (All subsections) 9: Field Operations & Work Practices (All subsections) Appendix C – PacifiCorp Policies & Procedures
Section 37-3-403(a) (iii) <i>Description of the procedures and standards that the electric utility will use to perform vegetation management;</i>	5: Vegetation Management 5.2: Pruning and Removal 5.3: Quality Control 5.4: Forest Health and Fire Resiliency Partnership Opportunities

Wyo. Stat. Ann. Section	WMP Sections
Section 37-3-403(a) (iv) <i>Description of proposed modifications, replacements and upgrades to facilities and preventative programs that the electric utility will implement to reduce the risk of its electric facilities initiating a wildfire;</i>	4: Asset Inspection & Correction (All subsections) 5: Vegetation Management (All subsections) 6: System Strengthening (All subsections) 7: Situational Awareness (All subsections) 8: System Operations (All subsections) 9: Field Operations & Work Practices (All subsections) 10: Wildfire Training, Monitoring & Response (All subsections) 11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.1: Situational Awareness Monitoring 11.2: PSPS Watch 11.3: Customer Communications 11.4: Re-Energization 11.7: Public Safety Partner Coordination
Section 37-3-403(a) (v) <i>Description of how the electric utility's wildfire mitigation strategies and policies have changed in the immediately preceding five (5) years;</i>	1: Introduction 1.3: Program Changes
Section 37-3-403(a) (vi) <i>Description of how the electric utility will coordinate with other electric utilities regarding any shared facilities;</i>	11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.2: PSPS Watch

Wyo. Stat. Ann. Section	WMP Sections
Section 37-3-403(a) (vii) <i>Description of procedures and considerations for de-energizing power lines and disabling reclosers to mitigate potential fires, including:</i> <i>(A) The ability of the electric utility to reasonably access the proposed power line to be de-energized;</i> <i>(B) Balancing the risk of wildfire with the need for the continued supply of electricity to a community;</i> <i>(C) Any potential impact that de-energizing lines may have on the resilience of the remainder of the electric utility's transmission and distribution facilities, if any;</i> <i>(D) The need to provide notice to customers and the public before or as soon as practicable after de-energization;</i> <i>(E) Any need to communicate and coordinate with any other electric utilities that may be impacted by a de-energization and any plans to accomplish communications, including communications with transmission operators, reliability coordinators and cooperative member systems;</i> <i>(F) Anticipated potential impacts to public safety.</i>	5: Vegetation Management (All subsections) 6: System Strengthening 6.2: Line Rebuild Program 6.3: Advanced System Protection and Control 6.4: Current System Strengthening Projects 8: System Operations 8.1: Protective Relay Devices 8.2: Enhanced Safety Settings 8.3: Fault Indicators 9: Field Operations & Work Practices (All subsections) 10: Wildfire Training, Monitoring & Response (All subsections) 11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.1: Situational Awareness Monitoring 11.2: PSPS Watch 11.3: Customer Communications
Section 37-3-403(a) (viii) <i>A description of the procedure the electric utility intends to use to restore its electrical system in the event of a wildfire;</i>	8: System Operations 8.4: Re-Energization Practices 11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.4: Re-Energization
Section 37-3-403(a) (ix) <i>For electric utilities whose rates are regulated by the commission, a description of the estimated incremental costs and potential associated rate impacts for the implementation of the wildfire mitigation plan, including system improvements and upgrades;</i>	14: Plan Objectives & Costs (All subsections)
Section 37-3-403(a) (x) <i>A description of community outreach and public awareness efforts before and during the wildfire season, particularly in the areas impacted by wildfires or de-energizations;</i>	11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.5: Community Resource Centers 12: Community Outreach & Public Awareness

Wyo. Stat. Ann. Section	WMP Sections
Section 37-3-403(a) (xi) <i>A description of potential participation with emergency coordinators, if applicable;</i>	11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program 11.3: Customer Communications 11.7: Public Safety Partner Coordination
Section 37-3-403(a) (xii) <i>Input from the Wyoming state forestry division of the office of state lands and investments, an association representing Wyoming rural firefighters, counties and any other appropriate federal, state or local fire entity.</i>	Appendix D– Wyoming External Agency Review & Commission Staff Feedback

Appendix C – PacifiCorp Policies & Procedures

Table C-1: WMP Policies and Procedures

Procedure/Policy	Summary	WMP Section
2026 PSPS Execution Playbook	Public Safety Power Shutoff – provides the minimum guidelines for a planned de-energization of energized facilities when extreme weather or other conditions pose an imminent safety threat to persons and/or property.	11: Public Safety Power Shutoff Program
PAC-1000 Operating T&D Assets During Elevated Fire Risk	Comprehensive plan for wildfire mitigation efforts designed to reduce the probability of utility-related wildfire ignition and to mitigate damage to company assets. Defines the approach to monitoring asset health and meteorological and fuel conditions related to wildfire risk, and adjusting daily operations of transmission and distribution system assets, including network restoration and fire encroachment during identified periods of elevated wildfire risk.	8: System Operations
T&D Vegetation Management Program Standard Operating Procedures	Describes best practices, including systematic maintenance, scientifically based pruning, tree removal, tree replacement, cover type conversion, herbicide and tree growth regulator applications, and the use of specialized tools and equipment. The procedure also describes rights-of-way and easements. Vegetation management is performed by qualified independent contractors, and procedures are binding to third-party contractors performing vegetation management.	5: Vegetation Management
SOP-203 Wildfire Encroachment Systems Operations Procedure	Defines PacifiCorp's escalation and response protocols when a wildfire is approaching PacifiCorp's transmission or distribution facilities. This procedure requires de-energization of power lines when wildfire is within defined distances to PacifiCorp assets.	8: System Operations 10: Wildfire Training, Monitoring & Response
Policy 009	Detailed Inspections T&D Lines	4: Asset Inspection & Correction
Policy 011	Visual Assurance Inspections T&D Lines	4: Asset Inspection & Correction
Policy 013	Wood Pole Test & Treatment T&D Lines	4: Asset Inspection & Correction
Policy 358	Overhead Transmission Line IR (Infrared) Inspections	4: Asset Inspection & Correction
Policy 371	Drone Inspections for T&D Lines	4: Asset Inspection & Correction

Appendix D – Wyoming External Agency Review & Commission Staff Feedback

Table D-1: Feedback and Company Response

Reviewer Feedback	Rocky Mountain Power Response
Wyoming Public Service Commission Staff	
Staff is seeking the Company to include the following HFRA details in a table: • Line miles • Line miles in overhead distribution • Line miles in transmission • Square acres	The company has added a table detailing this data in Section 2.1.
Staff is seeking the Company to include a comparison of line miles within the base layer versus line miles in the HFRA layer.	The company has clarified the maps and data tables that satisfy 37-3-403(a)(i).
Staff is seeking the Company to include a map of the vegetation types in the service territory.	The company has added this map in Section 1.2.
Staff is seeking the Company to include a landownership map overlaid with service territory.	The company has added this map in Section 1.2.
Staff is seeking the Company to ensure the Commission are included with the first round of stakeholder notifications (48-72 hours) for a PSPS warning.	The company clarifies that the Commission is included with the first round of stakeholder notifications for a PSPS warning in Section 11.3.
Staff is seeking the Company to clarify the meteorological considerations for advising a PSPS event.	The company clarifies that the specific meteorological considerations for advising a PSPS event are included in Section 11.1.
Staff is seeking the Company to include the specific impacts considered by the ECC when initiating a PSPS event.	The company has added the specific impacts considered by the ECC when initiating a PSPS event in Section 11.2.
Staff is seeking the operational direction that personnel can use in real time. Specifically, Staff is looking for clear, Wyoming-applicable procedures, thresholds, and roles that can be distributed to on-duty staff and referenced during events, rather than high-level narrative descriptions.	The company has incorporated technical writing strategies to consolidate the plan and make content more operational as applicable. Examples include the modified length of the plan, current system strengthening project details added, and utilizing more abbreviated bullet point formatting to describe situational awareness processes.

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Reviewer Feedback	Rocky Mountain Power Response
Staff will use Wildfire Hazard Potential map for identification of heightened risk of wildfire (37-3-403) and will be utilized in compliance filings. Staff is seeking for the Company to document this in the plan.	The company's data science team has incorporated the Wildfire Hazard Potential map for identification of heightened risk of wildfire and has referenced this in Section 1.3.
Staff is seeking the Company to add verbiage on how the Commission is being notified to PSPS notifications, as well as how the Commission is notified and/or informed of ESS settings.	The company revised Section 11.2 to include verbiage describing PSPS and ESS notifications to the Commission.
Staff is seeking the Company to clarify the difference between capital and expenses when costs are summarized.	The company revised Section 14.2 to break out the cost tables by program subcategory.
Staff is seeking for the Company to share cost allocations for the programs mentioned in table 14-1.	The company revised Section 14.2 to break out the cost tables by program subcategory to demonstrate cost allocations that match up with Table 14-1.
Staff is seeking clarification on detail pole inspection schedule.	The company revised Section 4.1 to clarify the frequency of inspections for Wyoming assets.
Staff is seeking clarification on how the Company's wildfire mitigation plan components have changed.	The company revised Section 1.3 to clarify wildfire mitigation program changes.
Staff is seeking clarification on how the Company coordinates with shared facilities. Additionally, Staff requests that the Company change the language in this section from 'must' to 'will'.	The company has revised Section 11.2 to clarify language on how the company coordinates with shared facilities. The company changed the language requested by Staff from "must" to "will."
Staff is seeking clarification on statutory compliance.	The company has revised Appendix B to specify locations of statutory compliance within the plan.
United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Forest Service – Medicine Bow Routt National Forests & Thunder Basin National Grassland	
There are various grammatical and formatting issues identified.	The company has done a significant rewrite of the plan to address these errors.
Recommendation to say something related to supporting the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy and Wildfire Crisis Strategies.	The company supports the National Cohesive Wildland Fire Management Strategy and Wildfire Crisis Strategy. The company acknowledges this input and added edits to Section 5: Vegetation Management with further detail within the narrative.
Where is the composite risk score?	The composite risk score information is no longer relevant to our new risk methodology documented in this plan's iteration. Composite risk score was part of a previous risk methodology.

Reviewer Feedback	Rocky Mountain Power Response
On sequencing, how does budget affect the ability to target high risk projects? Say you don't have the budget this year for the highest priority project, do you go to a lower risk or a lower cost project?	Budget constraints certainly influence how we approach sequencing for system hardening projects, but our priority remains addressing the highest risk projects first. When a project is identified as high risk but exceeds the available budget for a single year, we do not shift focus to lower risk or lower cost projects. Instead, we divide the larger effort into manageable phases that align with annual funding levels. Project status can affect funding levels. A higher risk project that is still pending construction permits won't be funded for construction, freeing those funds for a lower risk project that has all necessary permits for construction. When projects cannot be completed in a given year, wildfire impacts and risk can still be mitigated using ESS, PSPS, operational work practices, etc. See Section 3: Mitigation Program Strategy for more details.
On Pole Test and Treat, it seems to be better fit if this topic is read above Sound and Bore.	Pole sound and bore and pole test and treat are inspection and correction programs that are not interdependent on one another. No changes to this iteration.
Do you want to inform the reader where to find the Distribution Vegetation Management Standard Operating Procedures?	The company acknowledges this input and has changed this iteration by adding a reference to Appendix C– PacifiCorp Policies & Procedures under Section 4: Asset Inspection & Correction where applicable policies are first mentioned.
Why wait until the trees die? Is there a way we can work together to increase the distance between trees and power lines to remove this threat? Adjust the right-of-way and log it?	During our annual inspections, trees that are dead, dying, diseased, and/or in decay are removed by a certified arborist. However, it is feasible that trees may die or show signs of disease and decay between inspections in HFRA areas. The company acknowledges this input and has clarified the narrative in Section 5.2.
Who is responsible for ensuring threats are removed from the transmission line to the home? Should this be explained to the reader?	This section seeks to explain that Rocky Mountain Power is responsible. No changes to this iteration.
What is the difference between distribution and transmission lines? Does the reader need to know this?	Distribution lines deliver electricity from substations to end-users, and transmission lines deliver electricity over long distances. The company acknowledges this input and has added a table of definitions as an appendix to this plan.

Reviewer Feedback	Rocky Mountain Power Response
On pole clearing, what is the subject equipment pole? Does the reader need to understand the difference between a standard pole and this type of pole?	Subject equipment poles are defined under what was previously Section 3: FHCA Vegetation Management as poles having switches, clamps, fuses, or other devices that could create a spark. The company acknowledges this input and has added a table of definitions as an appendix to this plan.
Wyoming State Forestry Division	
Expand the plan beyond right-of-way vegetation management to include landscape-scale fuels reduction partnerships.	The company acknowledges this feedback and is engaging in coordination with our vegetation management team for awareness and future consideration.
Add a dedicated section describing coordination with Wyoming State Forestry, County Fire Wardens, federal land management agencies, and local fire districts.	The company acknowledges this feedback and is engaging in coordination with our vegetation management team for awareness and future consideration.
Align infrastructure prioritization with Wyoming CWPPs, Forest Action Plan, and other statewide wildfire risk assessments.	The company acknowledges this feedback and is engaging in coordination with our wildfire scoping committee for awareness and future consideration. The company currently uses our own risk modeling for infrastructure prioritization.
Include measurable outcomes that reflect reductions in wildfire risk to communities and natural resources, not just utility system performance.	Rocky Mountain Power appreciates this feedback. The Company needs additional time to fully evaluate the appropriateness of the requested measurable outcomes and how best to incorporate these into its reporting framework if appropriate. Rocky Mountain Power is coordinating with its wildfire portfolio team to further consider this recommendation..
USDA Forest Service – Bridger/Teton National Forest	
Reviewed plan with no feedback.	N/A
Bureau of Land Management Wyoming – Fuels	
Reviewed plan with no feedback.	N/A

Appendix E – Definitions

Unless otherwise expressly stated, the following words and terms, for the purposes of this WMP, have the meanings shown in this appendix.

Table E-1: WMP Terms and Definitions

Term	Definition
Access and functional needs (AFN) populations	Individuals, including, but not limited to, those who have developmental or intellectual disabilities, physical disabilities, chronic conditions, or injuries; who have limited English proficiency or are non-English speaking; who are older adults, children, or people living in institutionalized settings; or who are low income, homeless, or transportation disadvantaged, including, but not limited to, those who are dependent on public transit or are pregnant.
Asset (utility)	Electric lines, equipment, or supporting hardware.
Burn probability	Quantified likelihood that a given location or asset will burn under a fixed set of weather and fuel moisture conditions.
Circuit segment	A specific portion of an electrical circuit that can be separated or disconnected from the rest of the system without affecting the operation of other parts of the network. This isolation is typically achieved using switches, circuit breakers, or other control mechanisms.
Consequence	The adverse effects from an event, considering the hazard intensity, community exposure, and local vulnerability.
Contractor	Any individual in the temporary and/or indirect employ of the electrical corporation whose limited hours and/or time-bound term of employment are not considered “full-time” for tax and/or any other purposes.
Critical facilities and infrastructure	Facilities and infrastructure that are essential to public safety and that require additional assistance and advance planning to ensure resiliency during PSPS events. These include the following: Emergency Services Sector • Police stations • Fire stations • Emergency operations centers • Public safety answering points (e.g., 9-1-1 emergency services) Government Facilities Sector • Schools • Jails and prisons Healthcare and Public Health Sector • Public health departments • Medical facilities, including hospitals, skilled nursing facilities, nursing homes, blood banks, health care facilities, dialysis centers and hospice facilities (excluding doctor offices and other non-essential medical facilities)

Term	Definition
	Energy Sector - Public and private utility facilities are vital to maintaining or restoring normal service, including, but not limited to, interconnected publicly owned utilities and electric cooperatives Water and Wastewater Systems Sector - Facilities associated with the provision of drinking water or processing of wastewater including facilities used to pump, divert, transport, store, treat and deliver water or wastewater Communications Sector - Communication carrier infrastructure including selective routers, central offices, head ends, cellular switches, remote terminals, cellular switches, remote terminals and cellular sites Chemical Sector - Facilities associated with the provision of manufacturing, maintaining, or distributing hazardous materials and chemicals Transportation Sector - Facilities associated with transportation for civilian and military purposes: automotive, rail, aviation, maritime, or major public transportation
Dead fuel moisture content	The moisture content of dead organic fuels, expressed as a percentage of the oven dry weight of the sample, which is controlled entirely by exposure to environmental conditions.
Detailed inspection	An inspection where individual pieces of equipment and structures are carefully examined, visually and through the use of routine diagnostic test, as appropriate, and (if practical and if useful information can be gathered) opened, and the condition of each is rated and recorded.
Disaster	A serious disruption of the functioning of a community or a society at any scale due to hazardous events interacting with conditions of exposure, vulnerability, and capacity, leading to one or more of the following: human, material, economic, and environmental losses and impacts. The effect of the disaster can be immediate and localized but is often widespread and could last a long time. The effect may test or exceed the capacity of a community or society to cope using its own resources. Therefore, it may require assistance from external sources, which could include neighboring jurisdictions or those at the national or international levels.
Distribution	Network of wires, poles, transformers, and related equipment that delivers electrical power from substations to homes, businesses, and other end users at voltages suitable for safe use.
Electrical corporation	Every corporation or person owning, controlling, operating, or managing any electric plant for compensation within the state except where the producer generates electricity on or distributes it through private property solely for its own use or the use of its tenants and not for sale or transmission to others.

Term	Definition
Emergency	Any incident, whether natural, technological, or human caused, that requires responsive action to protect life or property but does not result in serious disruption of the functioning of a community or society.
Enhanced inspection	Inspection whose frequency and thoroughness exceeds the requirements of the detailed inspection, particularly if driven by risk calculations.
Exercise	An instrument to train for, assess, practice, and improve performance in prevention, protection, response, and recovery capabilities in a risk-free environment.
Exposure	The presence of people, infrastructure, livelihoods, environmental services and resources, and other high-value assets in places that could be adversely affected by a hazard.
Fault	A term used to describe a disruption on the electrical network.
Fire intensity	Amount of energy released by a wildfire.
Fire potential index (FPI)	Landscape-scale index used as a proxy for assessing real-time risk of a wildfire under current and forecasted weather conditions.
Fire season	The time of year when wildfires are most likely for a given geographic region due to historical weather conditions, vegetative characteristics, and impacts of climate change. Each electrical corporation defines the fire season(s) across its service territory based on a recognized fire agency definition for the specific region(s) in the state.
Fire threat condition	A condition found in the HFRA that may increase the likelihood of a fault event and the associated release of energy.
Frequency	The anticipated number of occurrences of an event or hazard over time.
Fuel moisture content	Amount of moisture in each mass of fuel (vegetation), measured as a percentage of its dry weight.
Hazard	A condition, situation, or behavior that presents the potential for harm or damage to people, property, the environment, or other valued resources.
Hazard tree	A tree that is, or has portions that are, dead, dying, rotten, diseased, or otherwise has a structural defect that may fail in whole or in part and damage utility facilities should it fail.
Heightened Fire Risk Area (HFRA)	Areas that the company has deemed at high risk of wildfire.
Line miles	The number of miles of transmission and/or distribution conductors, including the length of each phase and parallel conductor segment.
Mitigation	Undertakings to reduce the loss of life and property from natural and/or human-caused disasters by avoiding or lessening the impact of a disaster.
Preparedness	A continuous cycle of planning, organizing, training, equipping, exercising, evaluating, and taking corrective action to ensure effective coordination during incident response.
Property	Private and public property, buildings and structures, infrastructure, and other items of value that are destroyed by wildfire, including both third-party property and utility assets.
PSPS event	The period from notification of the first public safety partner of a planned public safety PSPS to re-energization of the final customer.

Term	Definition
Public safety partners	First/emergency responders at the local, state, and federal levels; water, wastewater, and communication service providers; community choice aggregators; affected publicly owned electrical corporations/electrical cooperatives; Tribal governments; the Wyoming Public Service Commission.
Risk	A measure of the anticipated adverse effects from a hazard, considering the consequences and frequency of the hazard occurring.
Risk evaluation	The process of comparing the results of a risk analysis with risk criteria to determine whether the risk and/or its magnitude is acceptable or tolerable.
Risk event	An event with probability of ignition, such as wire down, contact with objects, line slap, event with evidence of heat generation, or other event that causes sparking or has the potential to cause ignition. The following all qualify as risk events: • Ignitions • Outages not caused by vegetation • Outages caused by vegetation • Wire-down events • Faults • Other events with potential to cause ignition
Risk management	Systematic application of management policies, procedures, and practices to the tasks of communication, consultation, establishment of context, and identification, analysis, evaluation, treatment, monitoring, and review of risk.
Sensitivity analysis	Process used to determine the relationships between the uncertainty in the independent variables (“input”) used in an analysis and the uncertainty in the resultant dependent variables (“output”).
Shared facilities	Spaces, resources, or infrastructure that are used collectively by multiple users or organizations.
Situational awareness	An ongoing process of gathering information by observation and by communication with others.
Subject equipment poles	Poles having switches, clamps, fuses, or other devices that could create a spark.
Substation	Specialized electric facility within the power system that transforms voltage levels, manages power flow, and protects the electrical grid, acting as an intermediary between generation and consumption points.
System strengthening	Actions (such as equipment upgrades, maintenance, and planning for more resilient infrastructure) taken in response to the risk of undesirable events (such as outages) or undesirable conditions of the electrical system to reduce or mitigate those events and conditions, informed by an assessment of the relevant risk drivers or factors.
Transmission	System of conductors designed to carry high-voltage electricity over long distances from power plants to substations or distribution networks.

Term	Definition
Uncertainty	The amount by which an observed or calculated value might differ from the true value. For an observed value, the difference is “experimental uncertainty”; for a calculated value, it is “model” or “parameter uncertainty.”
Utility-related ignition	An event that meets the criteria for a reportable event subject to fire-related reporting requirements.
Utility-related wildfire	Wildfire event that was caused on or by the utility’s assets or operations.
Vegetation management	The assessment, intervention, and management of vegetation, including pruning and removal of trees and other vegetation around electrical infrastructure for safety, reliability, and risk reduction.
Vulnerability	The propensity or predisposition of a community to be adversely affected by a hazard, including the characteristics of a person, group, or service and their situation that influences their capacity to anticipate, cope with, resist, and recover from the adverse effects of a hazard.
Wildfire consequence	The total anticipated adverse effects from a wildfire on a community that is reached. This considers the wildfire hazard intensity, the wildfire exposure potential, and the inherent wildfire vulnerabilities of communities at risk.
Wildfire hazard intensity	The potential intensity of a wildfire at a specific location within the service territory given a probabilistic set of weather profiles, vegetation, and topography.
Wildfire mitigation strategy	Overview of the key mitigation initiatives at enterprise level and component level across the electrical corporation’s service territory, including interim strategies where long-term mitigation initiatives have long implementation timelines. This includes a description of the enterprise-level monitoring and evaluation strategy for assessing overall effectiveness of the WMP.
Wildfire risk	The total expected annualized impacts from ignitions at a specific location. This considers the likelihood that an ignition will occur, the likelihood the ignition will transition into a wildfire, and the potential consequences—considering hazard intensity, exposure potential, and vulnerability—the wildfire will have for each community it reaches.
Wildland–urban interface	The line, area, or zone where structures and other human development meet or intermingle with undeveloped wildland or vegetation fuels.
Wire down	Instance where an electric transmission or distribution conductor is broken and falls from its intended position to rest on the ground or a foreign object.
Workshop	Discussion that resembles a seminar but is employed to build specific products, such as a draft plan or policy (e.g., a multi-year training and exercise plan).



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3923 & adamsa@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Alan Adams, Fire Warden, SWCT	Exact Wording for Agenda: 9:45- Fire Restrictions Update
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: Any time, 5 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) No
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? No SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
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Attachments:	

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Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-352-6775- dsmit122@uwyo.edu
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Matt Helie, UW Extension Associate Director, Office Administrator Jael Johnson, 4-H Youth Development Programming Chloe Willenborg, and Lindsay Baker	Exact Wording for Agenda: 9:50- UW Extension Office Introductions and Annual Compensation Agreements
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 15 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: Sweetwater_Johnson_Annual_Compensation_Agreement_FY27_vs2 (1).pdf Sweetwater_Willenborg_Annual_Compensation_Agreement_FY27.pdf	

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ANNUAL COMPENSATION AGREEMENT

This Annual Compensation Agreement (“Agreement”) is made and entered into by and between the University of Wyoming (“University”) and the Commissioners of Sweetwater County (“County”).

WHEREAS, under the Federal Smith-Lever Act of 1914, the State Acceptance Act of 1915, and amendments thereto covering Extension programs, the County desires an Extension professional to assist to assist in clerical and secretarial support (position currently held by Jael Johnson) and

WHEREAS, the University employs such Extension professionals; and

WHEREAS, the University contributes salary and employer paid benefits in the amount of \$6,451.24 and

WHEREAS, the University and the County have entered into a Memorandum of Understanding dated July 1, 2026.

NOW THEREFORE, the parties agree as follows:

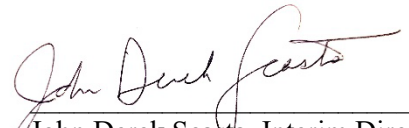
- 1. Payment.** In return for the above services, which shall be done and directed under the supervision of the Director of the University of Wyoming Extension, the County will contribute \$52,144.00 annually to the University of Wyoming Extension. The County agrees to make payments to the University as follows: **Four payments of \$13,036.00 due in October 2026, and January, March and June 2027.**
- 2. Term and termination.** The term of this Agreements shall commence on July 1, 2026, and shall remain in full force and effect until June 30, 2027, unless terminated by written mutual consent of both parties. In the event this Agreement is terminated, the University will return unused funds contributed by the County.

In witness whereof, the parties to this Agreement through their duly authorized representatives have executed this Agreement on the days and dates set out below, and certify that they have read, understood, and agreed to the terms and conditions of this Agreement as set forth herein.

Form UW approved June, 2020

Board of County Commissioners, Sweetwater County

Chairman



John Derek Scasta, Interim Director
University of Wyoming Extension

Date

July 1, 2026

Date

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College of Agriculture, Life Sciences, and Natural Resources
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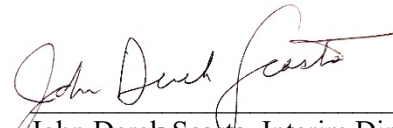
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Date

July 20, 2026

Date

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College of Agriculture, Life Sciences, and Natural Resources
University of Wyoming

Date

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Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3921, legerskig@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Gene Legerski, Public Works Director	Exact Wording for Agenda: 10:05- Contract Award to Alpha Facilities Solutions for Facility Condition Assessment on 314,366 SF of Sweetwater County Buildings
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 5 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
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CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the **18th** day of **August 2026** by and between **Sweetwater County, Wyoming, 80 West Flaming Gorge Way, Suite 23, Green River, WY 82935**, hereinafter referred to as the “**Owner**”, and **Alpha Facilities Solutions, 4085 Cibolo Canyons, Suite 200, San Antonio, TX 78261**, hereinafter referred to as the “**Consultant**”.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Owner is undertaking the **Facility Condition Assessment, Asset Inventory, QR/Barcode Tagging, and PM Schedules on approximately 314,366 gross SF of Sweetwater County Buildings**, hereinafter referred to as the “**Project**”; and

WHEREAS, the Project necessitates professional services; and,

WHEREAS, the Consultant represents that it is ready, willing, and able to provide the professional services to the Owner; and,

WHEREAS, the Owner desires to retain the Consultant for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein to be performed, the parties agree as follows:

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Consultant shall perform all work with respect to the Project as outlined in this Contract and as outlined in their proposal dated **February 13th, 2026**.

2. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

The services of the Consultant are to commence upon written notice to proceed from the Owner.

3. COMPENSATION

In consideration of the performance for services rendered under this Contract, the Consultant shall be compensated for services performed at the Consultant’s rates, shown in the proposal with a not-to-exceed amount as follows:

Facility Condition Assessment and Asset Inventory	= \$ 9,921.48
Hybrid Update-FCA and Asset Inventory	= \$10,447.50
Barcode Tagging	= \$ 4,715.49
Preventive Maintenance (PM) Schedules	= \$ 3,772.39
Admin Fee for Custom COI Requirements	= \$ 500.00
Total Not to Exceed Compensation	= \$29,356.86

4. METHOD OF PAYMENT:

Payment will be paid subject to receipt of a monthly invoice for payment from the Consultant based on the specific tasks performed and as shown in the proposal.

5. INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR:

In the performance of the work hereunder, Consultant shall be an independent Consultant and not an employee of Owner. Consultant is not an agent of, or authorized to transact business, enter into agreements, or otherwise make commitments on behalf of Owner unless expressly authorized in writing. Owner will not pay or withhold federal, state, or local income tax or other payroll tax of any kind on behalf of Consultant or its employees. Consultant is not eligible for, nor entitled to, shall not participate in any of Owner's pension, health, or other benefit plans. Consultant is responsible for the payment of all required payroll taxes, whether federal, state, or local in nature, including, but not limited to income taxes, Social Security taxes, Federal Unemployment Compensation taxes and any other fees, charges, licenses, or payments required by law. Consultant indemnifies Owner and holds it harmless against any fines, damages, assessments, or attorney fees in the event a court or administrative agency shall find that Consultant, or contractors(s) engaged through Consultant, is an employee of Owner.

6. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT:

The work product, including without limitation, all original reports, writings, recordings, drawings, files, and detailed calculations developed or obtained to this Agreement shall be the property of the Owner. Owner shall at all times have access to review ongoing work of Consultant for purposes of inspecting same and determining that work is being performed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Immediately upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, all such, information, and other work, in whatever form, shall be turned over to Owner.

7. CHANGES IN WORK:

No payment for changed or additional work shall be made unless the changed or additional work has first been approved in writing by the Owner and the parties have agreed upon the appropriate adjustment.

8. TERMINATION:

Owner may terminate or abandon any portion or all of the work in this Agreement at any time without cause, upon written notice to Consultant/Contractor or immediately for non-performance. Consultant shall be entitled to payment for work performed to the satisfaction of Owner prior to termination, but explicitly waives any right to additional or other amounts of any kind.

9. INDEMNIFICATION:

Consultant shall, indemnify, and hold harmless Owner and its officers, agents, and employees from all suits, actions, or claims of any character, name, or description, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses, brought on account of any injuries damage or loss (real or alleged) sustained by any person or persons arising out of (1) negligent acts or omissions of Consultant, its employees, subcontractors, or agents, including, but not limited to any claims for personal injury, including any injuries or damages sustained by Consultant's employees property damage or (2) any other claims of any nature whatsoever arising out of the Consultant's performance of the services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement, or Consultant's failure to perform or comply with any requirement of this Agreement, including specifically but not limited to employment-related claims arising under the common law or based upon any federal, state, or local statutes ordinances, or regulations.

10. GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY:

The parties do not intend by this Agreement to waive any defenses available under the law, including sovereign or governmental immunity; nor do any of the parties intend to waive any provision of the Wyoming Governmental Claims Act. Sweetwater County specifically retains all immunities and defenses available to it as a governmental entity pursuant to W.S. 1-39-101 et seq. and all other applicable law. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this agreement regarding governmental immunity shall be construed in favor of governmental immunity.

11. INSURANCE/LICENSING/BONDS:

Consultant, at Consultant's sole cost and expense, shall insure its activities in connection with this Agreement and shall obtain, keep in force, and maintain insurance that complies with all State, County, municipal, or other insurance regulations required to perform the work required in this Agreement. The Consultant shall also comply with all licensing and bonding requirements for in-state or out-of-state entities to comply with all State, County, municipal, or other regulatory requirements that apply.

Minimum Insurance Requirements for this agreement are as follows:

Commercial General Liability \$1,000,000 per Occurrence, \$1,000,000 personal & adv injury, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate.

Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000

Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability: The Consultant shall take out and maintain during the life of the contract, the statutory Workers' Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance for all his employees who are to be engaged in work on the project under this contract. The Consultant shall also supply the Board of Sweetwater County Commissioners with proof of Compensation and Employer's Liability Insurance on each sub-consultant before they are allowed on the job or site.

Professional Liability: \$2,000,000 per claim, \$3,000,000 aggregate

Sweetwater County shall be named as an additional insured with a waiver of subrogation and be listed as the certificate holder on all Certificates of Insurance.

12. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This Contract is subject to and incorporates the Provisions attached. If any provisions contradict this contract, then the contract language will supersede.

13. SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT:

Any person or person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, or officer authorized to sign contracts shall not be or in the past three (3) years be under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or a determination of ineligibility with any federal or state agency.

14. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT:

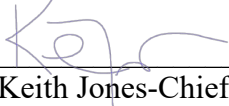
This Contract represents the entire and integrated Contract between the Owner and the Consultant and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended only by written instruments signed by both the Owner and the Consultant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Owner and the Consultant have executed this Contract as of the date first above written.

OWNER: **Sweetwater County, WY**

Consultant: **Alpha Facilities Solutions**

By _____
Title: Keaton D. West, Chairman

By  _____
Title: Keith Jones-Chief Practice Officer

Date _____

Date: 21 August 2026

ATTEST: _____
Cynthia L. Swenson-County Clerk

ATTEST:  _____
Rachael Reed – Business Development Manager

February 13, 2026

Mr. Gene Legerski
Public Works Director
Sweetwater County
80 West Flaming Gorge Way
Green River, WY 82935
Email: legerski@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Phone: 307-872-3921

Dear Mr. Legerski:

Re: Facility Condition Assessment, Asset Inventory, QR/Barcode Tagging, PM Schedules,
Approximate Gross Square Footage: 314,366

As a follow up to our recent discussion, thank you for the opportunity to provide you with a proposed scope of work, deliverables, schedule, and planning level estimate for your consideration. Based on our understanding of the current opportunity we are recommending a hybrid approach for the work to be performed at Sweetwater County.

We understand that Brightly is your preferred CMMS solution and ALPHA's Asset Performance Planning Software (APPS) will be used to support your capital planning needs.

Our approach is for the following recommendations:

1. Full Comprehensive Facility Condition Assessment for the following buildings:

Site Name	Address	Gross Square Footage
Combined Admin/Office Building and Storage	3 Layos Drive	22,440
Combined Third Building	3A Layos Drive	15,400
Combined Fleet/Heavy Maintenance Shop	3B Layos Drive	17,500
Southwest Counseling Service Residence	2061 Century Blvd	4,633
Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	916 Continental Street	7,353
Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	3310 Sweetwater Drive	7,353
Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	3416 White Mountain Blvd	7,353
Jonah Modular	2300 Foothill Blvd	4,000
Southwest Outpatient Mental Health 29	1124 College Drive	9,110
Southwest Psychosocial Services 32	2706 Ankeny Way	5,941
Residential Housing 33	1901 Churchill	4,636
Residential Housing	795 Duran	5,316
Southwest Counseling Service 36P	158 Washakie Drive	4,331

2. Hybrid Facility Condition Assessment which will include visual inspections for select systems and desktop updates of existing data for the remaining systems for buildings:

Site Name	Address	Gross Square Footage
County Courthouse	80 West Flaming Gorge Way	74,045
Justice Center Complex	50140 Hwy 191 South	101,905
Health and Human Services	333 Broadway	23,050

Scope of Work

I. Full Comprehensive Facility Condition Assessment

As part of this work effort, we will perform a lifecycle cost analysis of the existing building systems to include current capital investment, current operating costs, and future capital replacement costs. The analysis will also include risk analysis of existing building systems.

Facilities will be assessed by our assessment teams comprised of qualified architects, engineers and/or construction professionals. Our teams will include a professional to assess architectural and mechanical, electrical and plumbing components of your facilities.

Our teams will evaluate the condition and estimate the remaining service life for the purposes of renewal forecasting for the building systems shown below.

1. **Exterior Enclosure B20:** B2010 Exterior Walls, B2020 Exterior Windows and B2030 Exterior Doors
2. **Roofing System B30:** B3010 Roof Coverings, Flashing, Trim, Gutters and Downspouts.
3. **Interior Construction C10:** C1010 Partitions and Walls, C1020 Interior Doors, C1030 Specialties (compartments, cubicles, toilet partitions, lockers, casework and cabinetry)
4. **Stairs C20:** C2010 Stair Construction (Interior / Exterior Stairs, Fire Escapes, Guardrails, Handrails and accessories)
5. **Interior Finishes C30:** C1010 Wall Finishes, C3020 Floor Finishes, C3030 Ceiling Finishes and C3040 Int Coatings / Special Finishes
6. **Conveying D10:** D1010 Elevators and Lifts
7. **Plumbing D20:** D2010 Plumbing Fixtures, D2020 Domestic Water Distribution, D2030 Sanitary Waste, D2040 Rainwater Drainage (Roof drains and sump pump systems)
8. **HVAC D30:** D3010 Energy Supply, D3020 Heat Generation Systems, D3030 Cooling Generation Systems, D3040 Distribution Systems, D3050 Terminal and Package Units and D3060 Controls & Instrumentation
9. **Fire Protection D40:** D4010 Fire Alarm and Detection, D4020 Fire Supply Water Systems / Equipment, D4030 standpipe Systems, D4040 Sprinklers and D4090 Suppression Systems
10. **Electrical D50:** D5010 Electrical Service and Distribution, D5020 Lighting and Branch Wiring, D5030 Communications & Security, D5090 Lightning Protection Systems
11. **Site Improvements: G20:** G2020 Parking Lots and G2030 Pedestrian Pavements (*Immediately adjacent to the facilities receiving services*)

Assumptions

Client will provide mechanical room keys (when escorts are not available), floor plans, ladders and copies of maintenance logs as requested to support the project.

Inspections

We will perform visual inspections of Facility systems and components included in the scope of services. Using our proven methodology, we will utilize the direct rating inspection method to conduct the assessment. This will include utilizing the field observations in conjunction with the knowledge gained from interviewing client personnel about system / component performance history.

The Direct Rating method involves visually inspecting each component-section, evaluating that item against a set of rating criteria, and selecting the appropriate rating. The Direct Rating method is appropriate for most systems. Concealed or inaccessible systems/components will be aged/dated and rely on lifecycle to determine renewal requirements.

Direct Rating System Criteria

Rating	Rating Guidance			
	Asset Age (Percent of Useful Life Remaining)	Asset Condition (Quality, Level of Required Maintenance)	Asset Performance (Reliability, Ambiance, Safety, Meets Industry Standards)	Level of Maintenance (Level of Preventative and Corrective Maintenance)
0 - New	Asset is Brand New 100%	Asset is New; Within Warranty Period	Asset exceeds all performance and reliability metrics, Industry standards	Routine as according to manufacturer guidance
1 - Excellent	Asset is nearly new 76% - 99%	Asset like new; No visible defects	Asset meets or exceeds all performance and reliability metrics, Industry standards	No unfunded or deferred maintenance activities
2 - Good	Asset nearing or at its midlife point 51% - 75%	Asset showing minimal signs of wear; some slight defects or deterioration	Asset generally meets performance and reliability metrics, industry standards	Some temporary deferments of PM and CM; but no activities skipped completely
3 - Fair	Asset has passed its midlife point 26% - 50%	Some moderately defective or deteriorated components; expected maintenance needs	Occasional performance and reliability issues; may be substandard in some areas	More frequent and extended deferments of PM and CM; some activities skipped until major problems surface
4 - Poor	Asset near/at end of its useful life 0% - 25%	Increasing number of defects; deteriorating components; growing maintenance needs	Performance and reliability problems becoming more serious; substandard elements	PM and CM activities frequently delayed or skipped until major problems surface
5 - Critical	Asset is past its useful life	Asset in need of replacement or restoration; may have critically damaged components	Frequent performance and reliability problems; does not meet industry standards	Significant backlog of PM and CM work due to history of deferred and skipped activities
6 - Nonoperable	Asset non-operable	Asset non-operable	Asset non-operable	Asset non-operable

Definition of Data and Data Collection Standards

We will assist in defining facility condition data standards and collection standards. We will also use these standards to assess and report conditions for the property elements noted above.

Digital Photographs

Digital photos will be captured and used for internal quality control purposes. Photos will be captured for building identification and documentation of asset and system conditions. Select photos will be used within the narrative reports; however, all photos will be made available through a Share Point site for the client's convenience.

Corrective Action Recommendations and Costing

Using capital planning software budgets will be provided for deficient conditions identified during the facility condition assessment. Parametric cost estimates are based on nationally recognized estimating data such as RSMeans.

Deficiency Prioritization

We understand the reduction of the current backlog of maintenance items to be a multi-year task, and we must be able to assign a priority to each deficiency. Before data collection begins, we will work with you to establish prioritization standards.

Data Analysis and Reports

Facility Condition Index (FCI)

We will develop an FCI to quantify the deficiencies in each building. Our data is used to report the relative condition of buildings using a ratio of needed repairs (NR) over current replacement value (CRV) for the facility condition index (FCI). This ratio will allow you to sort your facilities into a list of “worst first.” This list will become a powerful document when planning and prioritizing remediation.

$$FCI = \left\{ \frac{\text{Needed Repairs}}{(CRV)} \right\} \times 100$$

We will provide an FCI for current timeframe and an extended FCI for current plus five years for all facilities/sites in which the FCA is conducted.

Facility Renewal Forecasting

Long-range funding for facilities is accomplished by identifying the rate of renewal required to maintain components of each facility as it depreciates and becomes unusable. As part of the facility renewal forecasting activities, we will:

1. Analyze and model the rates of depreciation of each facility and report on the annual reinvestment rate to replace components as they exceed useful service life, and
2. Determine approximate replacement cost of each building component where cumulating of components will equal the replacement value of the building.

After the condition assessments are complete, we will develop forecasts for the renewal of building systems through life-cycle analysis. These forecasts will assist in the creation of budgets for capital renewal.

Additionally, they allow for the long-term projection of renewal cost. Future work will be estimated by taking the cost of a particular system renewal and forecasting the date of renewal by determining the expected life.

Examples of capital renewal forecast data are shown below and on the following pages.

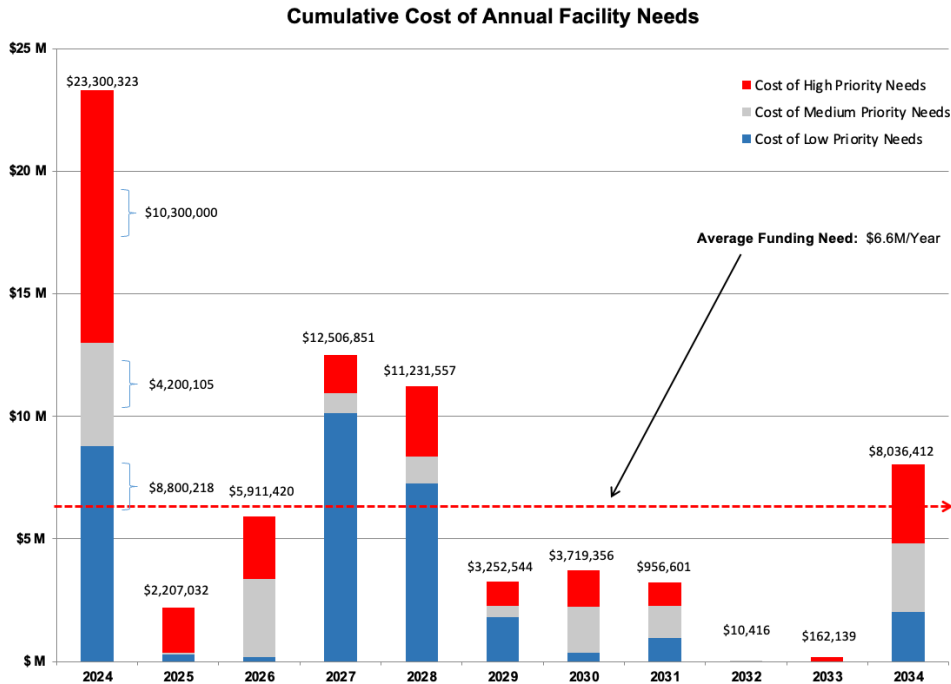
Capital Renewal Schedule (Tabular). This chart is an example of a tabular view of all of the current deficiencies together with a view of when the organization should budget for reinvestment in building systems as they approach their end of design life. The data is organized by building system following the UNIFORMAT structure.

Table 1. Sample Current and Forecasted Needs Summarized by System (Current + 5 years)

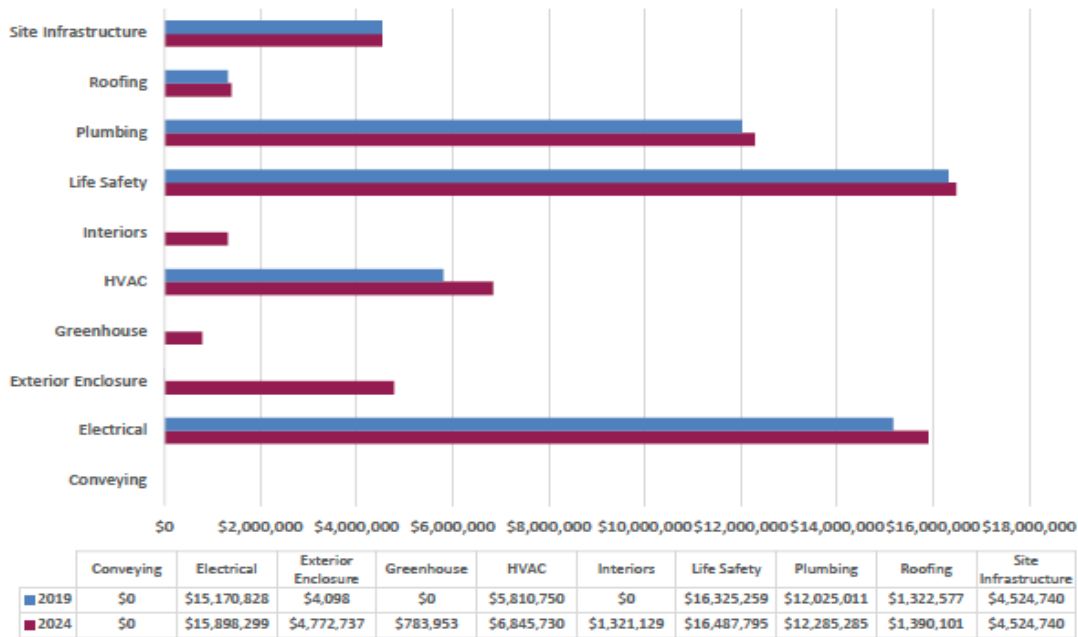
System	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
<i>Needs by Year</i>	<i>\$21,282,581</i>	<i>\$807,548</i>	<i>\$242,118</i>	<i>\$5,741,521</i>	<i>\$331,765</i>	<i>\$4,960,827</i>
Exterior Enclosure	\$2,312,018	\$0	\$94,499	\$92,827	\$17,274	\$70,633

System	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029
Exterior Walls (Finishes)	\$468,513	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$43,928
Exterior Windows	\$1,254,078	\$0	\$81,959	\$1,710	\$0	\$0
Exterior Doors	\$457,757	\$0	\$0	\$91,117	\$17,274	\$1,626
Maintenance Roll-up Door	\$131,670	\$0	\$12,540	\$0	\$0	\$25,080
Roofing	\$571,445	\$37,643	\$0	\$110,381	\$0	\$10,383
Roof Coverings	\$571,445	\$37,643	\$0	\$110,381	\$0	\$10,383
Interior Construction	\$2,243,113	\$12,312	\$125,025	\$417,030	\$0	\$3,593
Interior Doors	\$1,713,068	\$0	\$117,674	\$294,799	\$0	\$0
Specialties	\$406,925	\$0	\$7,351	\$116,075	\$0	\$3,593
Toilet Partitions	\$123,120	\$12,312	\$0	\$6,156	\$0	\$0
Interiors	\$5,868,384	\$0	\$15,976	\$286,460	\$312,535	\$658,943
Ceiling Finishes	\$1,511,025	\$0	\$15,976	\$25,456	\$129,866	\$49,273
Floor Finishes	\$2,886,155	\$0	\$0	\$250,373	\$182,670	\$481,870
Wall Finishes	\$1,471,204	\$0	\$0	\$10,631	\$0	\$127,800
Plumbing	\$1,992,669	\$0	\$0	\$1,383,005	\$0	\$2,476,316
Domestic Water Distribution	\$123,038	\$0	\$0	\$365,305	\$0	\$297,300
Plumbing Fixtures	\$1,012,584	\$0	\$0	\$547,876	\$0	\$1,200,799
Sanitary Waste	\$857,047	\$0	\$0	\$469,824	\$0	\$978,217
HVAC	\$2,825,851	\$630,571	\$0	\$1,942,423	\$0	\$714,470
Controls and Instrumentation	\$11,375	\$275,345	\$0	\$157,174	\$0	\$45,836
Distribution System	\$2,151,767	\$355,226	\$0	\$1,783,340	\$0	\$602,476
Heat Generation	\$419,149	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$66,157
Terminal & Package Units	\$243,560	\$0	\$0	\$1,909	\$0	\$0
Fire Protection	\$1,805,532	\$80,023	\$0	\$423,374	\$0	\$46,164
Fire Alarms	\$1,011,043	\$80,023	\$0	\$423,374	\$0	\$0
Sprinklers & Standpipe	\$794,489	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$46,164
Electrical	\$2,958,355	\$0	\$0	\$1,086,020	\$1,955	\$443,947
Branch Wiring	\$1,087,732	\$0	\$0	\$555,234	\$1,955	\$144,183
Lighting	\$1,252,939	\$0	\$0	\$518,938	\$0	\$299,765
Service Distribution	\$560,115	\$0	\$0	\$558	\$0	\$0
Emergency Lighting and Signage	\$57,568	\$0	\$0	\$11,290	\$0	\$0
Equipment & Furnishing	\$135,864	\$0	\$6,619	\$0	\$0	\$536,377
Institutional Equipment	\$135,864	\$0	\$6,619	\$0	\$0	\$536,377
Site Infrastructure	\$569,350	\$47,000	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Pedestrian Pavements	\$27,500	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Vehicular Pavements	\$515,050	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Capital Renewal Schedule (Bar Chart). This chart is an example of how to communicate final needs to all levels of the organization. At the time the assessment is complete, the total value of the deferred backlog is shown in the first bar. By assigning priorities, you can begin their planning efforts by prioritizing high, medium and low priority projects. This view of your overall capital renewal forecast also allows you to begin developing a project plan for the next 5, 10, 15, 20 years. It also allows you to proactively group projects in a fashion to develop a more balanced level of investment and avoiding large, unanticipated spikes in capital requirements.



Needs by system.



We will work with you to establish performance goals for your portfolio of buildings. For example, you may choose performance goals based upon industry benchmarks for age, physical condition, and functional adequacy. These performance goals will be supported by an investment strategy based on priorities and criteria established to meet your goals.

Capital Planning, Project Planning and Packaging

For your project, we will use our capital planning software to collect and manage the data associated with your facility condition assessment program.

The capital planning software will serve as a single repository for all asset-related data. Using software, we will:

1. Determine the long-term system renewal costs and timing
2. Analyze the facility condition index (FCI) for assets

Outlined below is an example of how to view Facility Condition Index (FCI) data to determine relative status of condition of your facilities.

Facility Condition Index (FCI)*	General Description*
0 - 10	Facility new or well maintained (very good to good condition)
11 - 20	Facility is satisfactorily maintained (fair condition)
21 - 30	Facility is under maintained (poor condition)
31 - 60	Facility should be considered for significant renovation or possible replacement (critical condition - facility is still safe but may be more cost effective to replace than to maintain)

*FCI ranges and associated condition descriptions can be adjusted according to preference for the best representation of the portfolio.

Sample Summary of Findings.

Building Name	Age (Years)	Area (SF)	Total Needs 2020	Current Replacement Value	2020 FCI %	Total Needs 2025	2025 FCI %
Academic	3 - 114	324,126	\$4,972,769	\$50,966,869	10	\$7,407,260	15
Dining Services	2 - 104	128,809	\$3,834,435	\$22,549,945	17	\$7,110,229	32
Housing	3 - 44	131,719	\$1,193,650	\$20,298,583	6	\$2,454,187	12
Administrative	8 - 47	162,054	\$3,497,197	\$18,075,848	19	\$6,127,918	34
Athletics	3-30	46,890	\$276,235	\$8,205,750	3	\$410,343	5
Totals:		793,598	\$13,774,286	\$120,096,994		\$23,509,937	

Asset Assessment / Inventory

An asset survey will be conducted for the purpose of noting remaining useful life of major building equipment. We will provide an inventory of fixed, visible and accessible building equipment to include the following or as otherwise defined:

Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC)

- Air Compressors
- Air Curtains / Dryers
- Air-Handling, Condensing, Make-Up Air and Energy Recovery Units
- Air Separators
- Boilers
- Cabinet Unit Heaters

- Chemical Feed Injection System
- Chillers
- Chilled and Hot Water Circulation Pumps (1HP or Greater)
- Cooling Towers and Cooling Tower Pumps
- Exhaust Fans (Rooftop Only)
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Electrical

- Emergency Generators (Mobile Units not Included)
- Emergency Lights and Lighted Exit Signs (System Level Only)
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- Switchgear
- Transfer Switch (Automatic or Manual)
- Transformers (Dry Type)
- Variable Frequency Drives
- UPS

Equipment

- Laundry (Commercial Washers and Dryers)
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Commercial Kitchen

- Broilers, Grills, Fryers
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- Domestic Hot Water Heaters (80 Gallons or Greater)
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II. Hybrid Facility Condition Assessment

As part of this work effort, we will perform a lifecycle cost analysis of the existing building systems to include current capital investment, current operating costs, and future capital replacement costs. The analysis will also include risk analysis of existing building systems.

Facilities will be assessed by our assessment teams comprised of qualified architects, engineers and/or construction professionals. Our teams will include a professional to assess architectural and mechanical, electrical and plumbing components of your facilities.

Our teams will evaluate the physical condition and estimate the remaining service life for the purposes of renewal forecasting for the building systems shown below.

1. **Roofing System B30:** B3010 Roof Coverings, Flashing, Trim, Gutters and Downspouts.
2. **Conveying D10:** D1010 Elevators and Lifts
3. **HVAC D30:** D3010 Energy Supply, D3020 Heat Generation Systems, D3030 Cooling Generation Systems, D3040 Distribution Systems, D3050 Terminal and Package Units and D3060 Controls & Instrumentation
4. **Fire Protection D40:** D4010 Fire Alarm and Detection, D4020 Fire Supply Water Systems / Equipment, D4030 standpipe Systems, D4040 Sprinklers and D4090 Suppression Systems
5. **Electrical D50:** D5010 Electrical Service and Distribution, D5020 Lighting and Branch Wiring, D5030 Communications & Security, D5090 Lightning Protection Systems

Our teams will utilize data provided by the county to estimate the condition and calculate the remaining service life for the purposes of renewal forecasting for the building systems shown below.

1. **Exterior Enclosure B20:** B2010 Exterior Walls, B2020 Exterior Windows and B2030 Exterior Doors
2. **Interior Construction C10:** C1010 Partitions and Walls, C1020 Interior Doors, C1030 Specialties (compartments, cubicles, toilet partitions, lockers, casework and cabinetry)
3. **Stairs C20:** C2010 Stair Construction (Interior / Exterior Stairs, Fire Escapes, Guardrails, Handrails and accessories)
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III. Asset Barcode Tagging *(optional service)*

In conjunction with the equipment inventory, a highly durable QR-code / barcode tag will be firmly affixed to the equipment included in the equipment inventory.

IV. Deliverables

A summary of the deliverables is outlined below:

1. **Facility Condition Assessment Report** – The assessment findings will be entered into the preferred capital planning software application. A written report explaining the conditions of your facilities will be generated to summarize findings at the city level and department level. The building reports will be designed and formatted in the same manner. Initial reports and spreadsheets submitted to the owner will be considered a draft and subject to review/approval.

Twenty-Year Capital Renewal Schedule – A summary of deferred maintenance items will be generated from the capital planning software providing the priority and cost associated with each need. Also included is a twenty-year capital renewal schedule detailing forecasted needs for each location and overall portfolio.

2. **Population of Facility Condition Assessment data into client designated capital planning solution.**

3. **Excel File – Asset Inventory** – Equipment inventory data will be delivered in an Excel file and prepared in a format to be uploaded into the designated CMMS.
4. **Excel File – Preventive Maintenance Schedules** (*optional service*) – The PM schedules will be delivered in an Excel file and prepared in a format to be uploaded into the designated CMMS.

Preventive Maintenance Hours – A breakdown of hours by classification e.g. HVAC, Electrical, Plumbing, Kitchen, Fire Protection, Conveying and Life Safety will be provided in a summary format.

Schedule

The anticipated period of performance for this work effort is approximately three – four months. We look forward to building a schedule that works within your preferred timeframe.

Facilities Summary

It is our understanding your portfolio of facilities equates to approximately 314,366 square feet. The facility list and structures provided are as follows:

Facilities			
Client	Site Name	Address	Gross Square Footage
Sweetwater County, WY	Combined Admin/Office Building and Storage	3 Layos Drive	22,440
Sweetwater County, WY	Combined Third Building	3A Layos Drive	15,400
Sweetwater County, WY	Combined Fleet/Heavy Maintenance Shop	3B Layos Drive	17,500
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Counseling Service Residence	2061 Century Blvd	4,633
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	916 Continental Street	7,353
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	3310 Sweetwater Drive	7,353
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Counseling Service Group Residence	3416 White Mountain Blvd	7,353
Sweetwater County, WY	Jonah Modular	2300 Foothill Blvd	4,000
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Outpatient Mental Health 29	1124 College Drive	9,110
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Psychosocial Services 32	2706 Ankeny Way	5,941
Sweetwater County, WY	Residential Housing 33	1901 Churchill	4,636
Sweetwater County, WY	Residential Housing	795 Duran	5,316
Sweetwater County, WY	Southwest Counseling Service 36P	158 Washakie Drive	4,331
Sweetwater County, WY	County Courthouse	80 West Flaming Gorge Way	74,045
Sweetwater County, WY	Justice Center Complex	50140 Hwy 191 South	101,905
Sweetwater County, WY	Health and Human Services	333 Broadway	23,050
TOTAL GSF			314,366

Fee Proposal:

Name of Project	Sweetwater County	ALPHA FACILITIES SOLUTIONS, LLC	
Location	Green River, WY		
Date Estimated	TBD		
ALPHA Sourcewell Contract	102424-ALP		
Client Sourcewell Member Number	177126		
Client Sourcewell Member Profile	https://www.sourcewell-mn.gov/node/177126		
Asset Management Services (Estimated GSF)	314,366		
Estimated number of buildings	TBD		
Estimated start date	TBD		
Estimated completion date	TBD		
Scope of Services:			
Work effort includes Asset Management Services (Estimated GSF) as described within proposal for facilities totaling approximately 314,366 square feet. Proposed fees include project set up, mobilization, assessment data collection, and deliverables. We understand data will be uploaded into client's CMMS and capital planning software system.			
Note:			
Prices based on Sourcewell Contract # 102424-ALP. Monthly invoices submitted based on a percent complete until project is complete.			
Sweetwater County Sourcewell ID# 177126			
<i>Proposed fee is good for ninety (90) days from the date estimated.</i>			
Description	Measure (Gross Square Footage)	Unit Cost	Fee
Facility Condition Assessment and Asset Inventory	115,366	\$ 0.0860	\$ 9,921.48
Hybrid Update -Facility Condition Assessment and Asset Inventory	199,000	\$ 0.0525	\$ 10,447.50
Barcode Tagging	314,366	\$ 0.0150	\$ 4,715.49
Preventive Maintenance Schedules	314,366	\$ 0.0120	\$ 3,772.39
Administrative Fee for Custom Certificate of Insurance Requirements	Lump Sum	Lump Sum	\$ 500.00
Total Estimated Fee			\$ 29,356.86

Invoice and Payment – ALPHA will submit monthly invoices based upon percent work complete. We will include with each invoice a monthly status report summarizing activities that support percent of work complete. Invoiced amounts should be paid within 30 days of receiving invoice.

Again, thank you for the opportunity to support you on this important project. We look forward to discussing your program needs further once you've had an opportunity to review our planning level estimate.

Please contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Sincerely,

ALPHA FACILITIES SOLUTIONS, LLC



Keith Jones
Chief Practice Officer



MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3921, legerskig@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Gene Legerski, Public Works Director	Exact Wording for Agenda: 10:15- Irrigation Design Contract for Cross Roads and Reliance Parks
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 5 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES-Irrigaton Technologies.pdf Sweetwater County Parks Irrigation Design Proposal for Crossroads Park 08-22-2026.pdf Sweetwater County Parks Irrigation Design Proposal for Reliance Park 08-13-2026.pdf	

INSTRUCTIONS:

- All requests to be added to the agenda, along with handouts and original documents to be signed, must be submitted in writing on the “Meeting Request Form” by Tuesday at 10:00 a.m. prior to the scheduled meeting and returned in person or electronically to Administrative Assistant Sally Shoemaker at: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
If your handout is not accompanied with the request, your request may be dismissed and you may reschedule for the next meeting provided the handout(s) are received.
- If you are presenting a **Resolution or Proclamation**, it must be submitted in Word Format and emailed to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
- As always, if you are unable to attend the meeting after being placed onto an agenda, please send

a representative in your place or your item may be rescheduled.

- In order to determine placement on the agenda, please review the county website sweetwatercountywy.gov on Thursday afternoon by clicking “Commissioner's Agenda”.
- If a request to be placed on an agenda is received **AFTER** the deadline, you will be considered for the next meeting date.

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The meetings are open and the public is invited to attend.

The meetings are held in the commission meeting room:

80 West Flaming Gorge Way

Meeting Room #115

Green River, Wyoming

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CONTRACT FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

THIS AGREEMENT, entered into as of the 1st day of **September 2026** by and between **Sweetwater County, Wyoming, 80 West Flaming Gorge Way, Suite 23, Green River, WY 82935**, hereinafter referred to as the “**Owner**”, and **Irrigation Technologies Inc., 10395 W. Ottawa Ave., Littleton, CO 80127** hereinafter referred to as the “**Consultant**”.

WITNESSETH:

WHEREAS, the Owner is undertaking the **Irrigation Design for Crossroads Park and Reliance Park**, hereinafter referred to as the “**Project**”; and

WHEREAS, the Project necessitates professional services; and,

WHEREAS, the Consultant represents that it is ready, willing, and able to provide the professional services to the Owner; and,

WHEREAS, the Owner desires to retain the Consultant for such services.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the covenants and conditions set forth herein to be performed, the parties agree as follows:

1. SCOPE OF SERVICES

The Consultant shall perform all work with respect to the Project as outlined in this Contract and as outlined in their proposal dated **August 12th 2026 for Reliance Park and August 22nd, 2026 for Crossroads Park**.

2. TIME OF PERFORMANCE

The services of the Consultant are to commence upon written notice to proceed from the Owner.

3. COMPENSATION

In consideration of the performance for services rendered under this Contract, the Consultant shall be compensated for services performed at the Consultant’s rates, shown in the proposal with a not-to-exceed amount as follows:

Reliance Park Site Visit and Base Map Development	= \$3,100.00
Reliance Park Preliminary and Final Design	= \$4,910.00
Cross Roads Park Site Visit and Base Map Development	= \$4,100.00
Cross Roads Park Preliminary and Final Design	= \$8,910.00
Travel Total	= \$1,010.00
Total Not to Exceed Compensation	= \$22,030.00

4. METHOD OF PAYMENT:

Payment will be paid subject to receipt of a monthly invoice for payment from the Consultant based on the specific tasks performed and as shown in the proposal.

5. INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT/CONTRACTOR:

In the performance of the work hereunder, Consultant shall be an independent Consultant and not an employee of Owner. Consultant is not an agent of, or authorized to transact business, enter into agreements, or otherwise make commitments on behalf of Owner unless expressly authorized in writing. Owner will not pay or withhold federal, state, or local income tax or other payroll tax of any kind on behalf of Consultant or its employees. Consultant is not eligible for, nor entitled to, and shall not participate in any of Owner's pension, health, or other benefit plans. Consultant is responsible for the payment of all required payroll taxes, whether federal, state, or local in nature, including, but not limited to income taxes, Social Security taxes, Federal Unemployment Compensation taxes and any other fees, charges, licenses, or payments required by law. Consultant indemnifies Owner and holds it harmless against any fines, damages, assessments, or attorney fees in the event a court or administrative agency shall find that Consultant, or contractor (s) engaged through Consultant, is an employee of Owner.

6. OWNERSHIP OF WORK PRODUCT:

The work product, including without limitation, all original reports, writings, recordings, drawings, files, and detailed calculations developed or obtained to this Agreement shall be the property of the Owner. Owner shall at all times have access to review ongoing work of Consultant for purposes of inspecting same and determining that work is being performed in accordance with the terms of this Agreement. Immediately upon termination of this Agreement for any reason, all such information and other work, in whatever form, shall be turned over to Owner.

7. CHANGES IN WORK:

No payment for changed or additional work shall be made unless the changed or additional work has first been approved in writing by the Owner and the parties have agreed upon the appropriate adjustment.

8. TERMINATION:

Owner may terminate or abandon any portion or all of the work in this Agreement at any time without cause, upon written notice to Consultant/Contractor or immediately for non-performance. Consultant shall be entitled to payment for work performed to the satisfaction of Owner prior to termination, but explicitly waives any right to additional or other amounts of any kind.

9. INDEMNIFICATION:

Consultant shall, indemnify, and hold harmless Owner and its officers, agents, and employees from all suits, actions, or claims of any character, name, or description, including reasonable attorney's fees and litigation expenses, brought on account of any injuries damage or loss (real or alleged) sustained by any person or persons arising out of (1) negligent acts or omissions of Consultant, its employees, subcontractors, or agents, including, but not limited to any claims for personal injury, including any injuries or damages sustained by Consultant's employees property damage or (2) any other claims of any nature whatsoever arising out of the Consultant's performance of the services to be provided pursuant to this Agreement, or Consultant's failure to perform or comply with any requirement of this Agreement, including specifically but not limited to employment-related claims arising under the common law or based upon any federal, state, or local statutes ordinances, or regulations.

10. GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY:

The parties do not intend by this Agreement to waive any defenses available under the law, including sovereign or governmental immunity; nor do any of the parties intend to waive any provision of the Wyoming Governmental Claims Act. Sweetwater County specifically retains all immunities and defenses available to it as a governmental entity pursuant to W.S. 1-39-101 et seq. and all other applicable law. The parties agree that any ambiguity in this agreement regarding governmental immunity shall be construed in favor of governmental immunity.

11. INSURANCE/LICENSING/BONDS:

Consultant, at Consultant's sole cost and expense, shall insure its activities in connection with this Agreement and shall obtain, keep in force, and maintain insurance that complies with all State, County, municipal, or other insurance regulations required to perform the work required in this Agreement. The Consultant shall also comply with all licensing and bonding requirements for in-state or out-of-state entities to comply with all State, County, municipal, or other regulatory requirements that apply.

Minimum Insurance Requirements for this agreement are as follows:

Commercial General Liability \$1,000,000 per Occurrence, \$1,000,000 personal & adv injury, \$2,000,000 General Aggregate.

Automobile Liability: \$1,000,000

Workers Compensation and Employers' Liability: This section is not needed because the contractor does not have any employees.

Professional Liability: \$2,000,000 per claim, \$3,000,000 aggregate

Sweetwater County shall be named as an additional insured with a waiver of subrogation and be listed as the certificate holder on all Certificates of Insurance.

12. TERMS AND CONDITIONS:

This Contract is subject to and incorporates the Provisions attached. If any provisions contradict this contract, then the contract language will supersede.

13. SUSPENSION OR DEBARMENT:

Any person or person associated therewith in the capacity of owner, partner, director, or officer authorized to sign contracts shall not be or in the past three (3) years be under suspension, debarment, voluntary exclusion, or a determination of ineligibility with any federal or state agency.

14. EXTENT OF AGREEMENT:

This Contract represents the entire and integrated Contract between the Owner and the Consultant and supersedes all prior negotiations, representations, or agreements, either written or oral. The Contract may be amended only by written instruments signed by both the Owner and the Consultant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Owner and the Consultant have executed this Contract as of the date first above written.

OWNER: **Sweetwater County, WY**

Consultant: **Irrigation Technologies, Inc.**

By _____
Title: Keaton D. West, Chairman

By _____
Title: Brian Keighin-President

Date _____

Date _____

ATTEST: _____
Cynthia L. Swenson-County Clerk

ATTEST: _____
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Sweetwater County Parks Irrigation Design Proposal for Crossroads Park Rock Springs, Wyoming

Prepared for:
Mr. Chris Bradford
Recreation Superintendent
Sweetwater County Parks & Recreation
3 Layos Drive, Rock Springs, WY 82901
307-922-5452

Presented by:



10395 W. Ottawa Ave

Littleton, Colorado 80127

Phone 720.240.6208

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August 22, 2026

Proposed Services

1). Base Map Development and Preliminary Irrigation Design Plan Set Development

Irrigation Technologies will begin the design process by developing an electronic AutoCAD file via GPS site mapping for the park site. The map data will include the park boundary, irrigated limits, identification of tree locations, hardscape features (paths, building footprints, playgrounds, parking lots, picnic area) identification of any existing irrigation equipment that will be retained, (points of connection, controllers), turf areas, landscape beds, and outline of play fields. Ortho mosaic drone imagery and topography will be collected as part of the base map development.

During the data collection process, Irrigation Technologies will meet on-site with the county park superintendent to identify and discuss the specifics of the site. Information collected during the meeting will be incorporated into the design of the system.

A preliminary plan will be developed and will include sprinkler head locations, mainline and lateral pipe routing and sizing, locations and sizes of sleeving (as required), mainline isolation valve locations, remote control valve locations, and existing pump station building and controller location. All piping will be specified using high density polyethylene (HDPE). Plans will be presented on Architectural E1 size 30"x42" sheets at a scale of 1"=40.0'.

The design will provide uniform coverage throughout the irrigated area and be zoned in such a fashion to allow for control of each specific landscape type, (turf, tree, drip). A static and dynamic hydraulic analysis will be developed for the site using the elevation data collected during the GPS site mapping.

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Crossroads Park Approximate Park Boundary Shown in Red Outline

Items that that will be included in the design:

- Specification of a prefabricated irrigation pump station, designed to operate specifically as a landscape irrigation mechanism.
- Design of a fully automatic irrigation system to allow for central control from the Sweetwater County Park office in Rock Springs using the existing Rainbird IQ4 platform.
- Allow for an optional weather station that will monitor the current weather conditions at Crossroads Park.

Deliverables for this item include:

- GPS base map generation and drone flight to collect imagery of the Crossroads park site.
- Overnight pressure monitoring and data collection. This information will be used to identify the existing dynamic pressure.
- Preliminary irrigation plan is to include a project cover sheet, mechanical sheet, sleeving sheet, installation details sheet, pump station sheet, and installation details.
- Preliminary plan set phone conference with Sweetwater County Park personnel.
- One (1) 30"x42" hard copy bond plan set delivered to Sweetwater County Park personnel.
- Electronic PDF plan set delivered via e-mail.

Item 1 will be billed after the completion of the base map and after the preliminary plan set is delivered to Sweetwater County Parks.

2). Final Irrigation Design Plan Set Development with Technical Specifications

After presentation of the preliminary plan set and Sweetwater County review, Irrigation Technologies will incorporate any requested design changes to the plan set. Any revisions needed can usually be completed within 10 business days.

Deliverables for this component include:

- Incorporate the revisions to the plan sets after review and comment by Sweetwater County Parks.
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- Electronic PDF plan set delivered to all design team members.
- Develop technical specifications that identify the qualifications, materials, and process that the Contractor will be required during the installation of the system.
- Estimate of probable cost of construction for the park site.

Item 2 will be billed when the final plan set is delivered to Sweetwater County Parks.

Fee Schedule

1. Site Visit and Base Map Development	\$4,100
2. Preliminary and Final Design Development	\$8,910

Professional Fee Total	\$13,010
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Estimated Travel Fees for Items 1&2

Mileage (1 visit)	<i>Included with</i>
Lodging (1 night)	<i>Reliance Park</i>
Meals (2 days)	<i>Travel Fees</i>

Travel Total	\$0
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Professional Fees & Travel Total	\$13,010
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Conditions of Agreement:

- Travel expenses are included in conjunction with the Reliance Park site visit.
- A representative of Sweetwater County Parks will need to assist with the operation of the irrigation system and data collection portion of the project.
- The tentative base map development site visit would occur during the month of September 2026.
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- The design will follow industry accepted irrigation standards for materials and practice.
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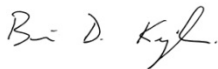
Sweetwater Country Parks and Recreation

By:

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Respectfully submitted,



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- Re-use of the existing potable supply and tap. In the event a booster pump is needed, that equipment will be specified and included as part of the design documents.
- Design of a fully automatic irrigation system to allow for central control from the Sweetwater County Park office in Rock Springs using the existing Rainbird IQ4 platform.
- Allow for an optional weather station that will monitor the current weather conditions at Reliance Park.

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Mileage (1 visit)	\$720
Lodging (1 night)	\$200
Meals (2 days)	\$90

Travel Total	\$1010
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Professional Fees & Travel Total	\$9,020
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Conditions of Agreement:

- Travel expenses (vehicle mileage, meals, lodging) are not included in the proposed items. Travel to/from the site will be billed at \$0.90 per mile (*estimated roundtrip mileage from Littleton, CO to Reliance, WY is 800 miles, or \$720/trip*). Lodging will be at a Hampton Inn or similar hotel. Meals are estimated at \$45/day. Receipts will be provided for all reimbursable items and will be billed at cost incurred. Any additional driving to and from the park site will be added to the trip mileage at the same rate.
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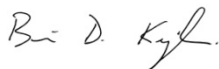
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By:

Title:

Date:

Respectfully submitted,



Brian Keighin
President
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MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3916 binghame@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Eric Bingham, Land Use Director	Exact Wording for Agenda: 10:20- Sweetwater County Letter of Support for the proposed Rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: anytime- 5 min	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
Will handouts require SIGNATURES? Yes SHOULD THE ITEM BE MARKED CONFIDENTIAL? No	If you are submitting a Resolution or Proclamation, please forward in Word format to: shoemakers@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Additional Information:	
Attachments: Sweetwater County Roadless Rule Comments.docx	

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Green River, Wyoming

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August 20, 2026

U.S. Department of Agriculture
U.S. Forest Service
Director, Ecosystem Management Coordination
201 14th Street SW, Mailstop 1108
Washington, DC 20250-1124

Re: RIN 0596-AD66 - Proposed Rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule

Dear Responsible Official:

Sweetwater County, Wyoming submits these comments in support of the U.S. Department of Agriculture's proposed rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule and the removal and reservation of 36 CFR Part 294, Subpart B. More than 73 percent of the land within Sweetwater County is federally owned, and federal land management decisions directly affect the County's economy, public access, recreation, grazing, watersheds, natural-resource industries, wildfire protection, and the custom and culture of our communities. The County's adopted Federal Lands and Resources Plan supports multiple-use and sustained-yield management and calls for active County participation in federal planning. The proposed rescission is consistent with those policies because it would remove a single nationwide prohibition and return management of inventoried roadless areas to the applicable National Forest land management planning process. The County also recognizes that rescission does not itself authorize road construction, timber harvest, or other ground-disturbing activity; future proposals would remain subject to the governing forest plan, site-specific environmental review, and other applicable law.

The proposed action directly addresses longstanding Sweetwater County policy concerning inventoried roadless areas. Section 11.2.12 of the County's Federal Lands and Resources Plan calls for revision of Inventoried Roadless Areas in the Ashley National Forest and the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area. Sections 13.2.11 and 13.2.12 support revision of roadless areas within or partially within the County and support State of Wyoming efforts to correct Inventoried Roadless Area classifications. Sections 21.2.2.3 and 21.2.2.4 further state that the County does not support management of additional federal lands under inventoried-roadless or similarly intended management regimes and supports removal of management provisions that elevate roadless qualities over uses consistent with multiple use and sustained yield. For these reasons, Sweetwater County supports USDA's proposed removal of the national-level prohibitions in Subpart B and the return of these decisions to forest-level planning based on actual local resource conditions.

Greater management flexibility is particularly important for forest health and wildfire management. The County's Plan supports active and adaptive forest management, vegetation treatments, stewardship projects, commercial timber harvest where appropriate, salvage of fire- or pest-affected timber, and management programs that reduce fuel loads and catastrophic wildfire risk. The Plan specifically identifies long-term disease and insect infestation and associated fuel loading in the Ashley National Forest and Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area. Sweetwater County therefore supports the proposed rule's recognition that existing roadless prohibitions can limit mechanical treatment, access, and certain wildfire-response options. Local Forest Service officials should be able to determine, through the applicable land management plan and project-level review, whether temporary access, vegetation treatment, timber harvest, or other tools are appropriate to protect communities, watersheds, recreation resources, wildlife habitat, and other public values. The County does not advocate indiscriminate road building or timber harvest; it supports retaining the full range of lawful management tools so that decisions can be tailored to site-specific conditions.

Sweetwater County also supports the additional flexibility the proposal would provide for roads and access. The County's Plan finds that access to and across federal lands is critical to resource management, recreation, grazing, water facilities, communication infrastructure, valid existing rights, and adjoining State and private lands. It opposes unnecessary road and trail closures, supports recognition of County roads and rights-of-way, and supports correction of roadless inventories that do not accurately reflect existing roads or traditional access. Accordingly, implementation of the rescission should require accurate identification of existing County and public roads, R.S. 2477 assertions, rights-of-way, and other legally recognized access before future roadless-related management decisions are made. At the same time, the County recognizes that the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area has statutory purposes and restrictions that remain in place. Support for rescission of the 2001 Roadless Rule should not be construed as a request to alter those separate statutory limitations. Rather, the County seeks management flexibility within the authorities that actually govern each National Forest System unit.

The County strongly supports the proposal's emphasis on place-based decisionmaking informed by State, Tribal, and local communities. The final rule and decision documents should make clear that affected counties are governmental planning partners, not merely members of the general public, when roadless-area decisions are addressed through forest-plan development, amendment, or revision. Sweetwater County's Federal Lands and Resources Plan states that the County shall be directly involved in development and implementation of the Ashley National Forest Management Plan and the Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area Plan, and it calls for federal planning documents to be consistent with the County Plan to the maximum extent permitted by federal law. The County therefore requests that USDA expressly recognize the importance of coordination with affected county governments and consideration of adopted local land-use and natural-resource plans. This local coordination is especially important if a future forest plan proposes restrictions on road construction, timber harvest, or other activities that would have effects comparable to the national rule being rescinded.

Sweetwater County recognizes that land management plans may retain or adopt restrictions where those restrictions are supported by site-specific resource conditions and the applicable

planning record. However, USDA should avoid simply recreating the 2001 Roadless Rule through broad forest-level administrative designations that presume roadless character should take priority over other multiple uses. Future restrictions should be narrowly tailored and supported by demonstrated resource needs, best available information, consideration of social and economic effects, protection of valid existing rights, and meaningful coordination with State and local governments. The analysis should also consider the full spectrum of recreation. Sweetwater County supports hunting, fishing, camping, hiking, bicycling, motorized recreation, wildlife habitat, scenic resources, and healthy watersheds as components of multiple-use management. Retaining access and active-management options can benefit many of those same values, particularly where vegetation treatment, wildfire response, road maintenance, or access to public facilities is needed.

For these reasons, Sweetwater County supports finalization of the proposed rescission of the 2001 Roadless Area Conservation Rule. In the final rule and associated decision documents, the County asks USDA to preserve forest-level, place-based decisionmaking; provide meaningful coordination with affected county governments; recognize existing roads, rights-of-way, valid existing rights, and traditional access; retain appropriate tools for forest health, hazardous-fuels reduction, wildfire response, timber management, recreation, and infrastructure access; and avoid replacing the national Roadless Rule with equally broad administrative restrictions that have not undergone appropriate local analysis and coordination. The County appreciates the opportunity to comment and looks forward to continued coordination with USDA and the U.S. Forest Service concerning management of the Ashley National Forest, Flaming Gorge National Recreation Area, and other National Forest System lands affecting Sweetwater County.

Sincerely,

Sweetwater County
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MEETING REQUEST FORM

Meeting Date Requested: September 1, 2026	Contact Phone and E-mail: 307-872-3910/swchr@sweetwatercountywy.gov
Presenters Name, Title and Name of Organization: Garry McLean, HR Director and IMA	Exact Wording for Agenda: 10:25- Health Insurance Renewal for Calendar Year 2027
Preference of Placement on Agenda & Amount of Time Requested for Presentation: 20 MIN	Will there be handouts? (If yes, include with meeting request form) Yes
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Contribution Schedule - Active Employees and Retirees (Pre-65)
Effective 1/1/2027

\$500 Deductible Plan			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 1,339.07	\$ 1,164.99	\$ 174.08
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,704.19	\$ 2,352.65	\$ 351.54
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 2,099.13	\$ 1,826.24	\$ 272.89
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,984.21	\$ 2,596.26	\$ 387.95
Family	\$ 4,090.76	\$ 3,558.96	\$ 531.80

\$1,000 Deductible Plan			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 1,265.43	\$ 1,164.20	\$ 101.23
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,555.46	\$ 2,351.02	\$ 204.44
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,983.67	\$ 1,824.98	\$ 158.69
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,820.07	\$ 2,594.46	\$ 225.61
Family	\$ 3,865.76	\$ 3,556.50	\$ 309.26

\$1,500 Deductible Plan			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 1,203.13	\$ 1,175.46	\$ 27.67
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Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,886.00	\$ 1,842.62	\$ 43.38
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,681.25	\$ 2,619.58	\$ 61.67
Family	\$ 3,675.43	\$ 3,590.90	\$ 84.53

\$4,000 Deductible Plan			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
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Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,184.73	\$ 2,184.73	\$ -
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,695.90	\$ 1,695.90	\$ -
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,410.91	\$ 2,410.91	\$ -
Family	\$ 3,304.94	\$ 3,304.94	\$ -

HDHP \$1,750/individual; \$3,500/family			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 1,101.13	\$ 1,013.04	\$ 88.09
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,223.71	\$ 2,045.81	\$ 177.90
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,726.15	\$ 1,588.06	\$ 138.09
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,453.96	\$ 2,257.64	\$ 196.32
Family	\$ 3,363.87	\$ 3,094.76	\$ 269.11

DENTAL			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Dental Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 48.60	\$ 42.30	\$ 6.30
Employee & Spouse	\$ 130.91	\$ 113.89	\$ 17.02
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	\$ 98.07	\$ 14.65
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	\$ 98.07	\$ 14.65
Family	\$ 178.48	\$ 155.30	\$ 23.18

SPOUSAL HRA PLAN			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Cost to County	Differential
Employee & Spouse	\$ 1,892.93	\$ 1,541.39	\$ 351.54
Family	\$ 2,863.53	\$ 2,331.73	\$ 531.80

Spousal HRA—For employees who are covered under a spouse's group plan, a Spousal HRA plan will reimburse employee for the cost of health insurance premium, co-pays, co-insurance, and prescription costs. Employees who enroll in the SPOUSAL HRA Plan will not be covered through UMR - their only coverage will be through their spouse's plan.

See Enrollment Guide for More Information

Notes:

Health Insurance:

- 5% increase to the following deductible plans: \$500, \$1,000, \$1,500, \$4,000 and High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP)

The High Deductible Health Plan (HDHP) deductible is changing from **\$1,700/\$3,400** to **\$1,750/\$3,500** to comply with IRS requirements.

Dental Insurance:

- No change to current premiums

Vision Insurance:

- 3 Year Rate Guarantee (No change to current premiums)

Spousal HRA Premium Rates are based on 70% of the \$500 deductible premium rates

HSA Contribution	
Monthly	Annually
\$ 62.50	\$ 750.00
\$ 125.00	\$ 1,500.00
\$ 125.00	\$ 1,500.00
\$ 125.00	\$ 1,500.00
\$ 125.00	\$ 1,500.00

VISION			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Vision Premium	Cost to County	Employee's Contribution
Employee	\$ 12.33	\$ 10.73	\$ 1.60
Employee & Spouse	\$ 17.67	\$ 15.37	\$ 2.30
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 17.67	\$ 15.37	\$ 2.30
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 31.64	\$ 27.53	\$ 4.11
Family	\$ 31.64	\$ 27.53	\$ 4.11

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Sweetwater County
Retiree Health Insurance Premium Schedule

APPROVED RETIREE Premium Schedule				
POST - 65				
Effective 1/1/2027				
Coverage Level	Health	Dental	Vision	Total Premium
Retirees Carveout - Single	\$725.05	\$48.60	\$12.33	\$785.98
Retiree Carveout - Married	\$1,365.55	\$130.91	\$17.67	\$1,514.13

Keaton D. West

Approved at the 9/1/2026 meeting

Rates are effective 1/1/2027

Notes:

Sweetwater County Post-65 Retiree plan requires that Retiree be enrolled in Medicare as Primary; Sweetwater County's Post-65 plan acts as a Medicare Supplement plan

Health, dental and vision plans can be unbundled, i.e., Retiree can choose health, and waive dental and or vision, or any combination.

If any coverage is waived, Retiree can never re-enroll in that coverage.

Retiree can enroll spouse and / or dependents under the Retiree plan only if spouse and / or dependents were enrolled in the health insurance plan prior to the employee's retirement.

Sweetwater County
Proposed
Health Insurance Rates
Calendar Year 2027



Pre 65 Retiree Rates
Effective 1/1/2027

\$500 Deductible Plan		DENTAL		VISION	
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Dental Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Vision Premium
Employee	\$ 1,339.07	Employee	\$ 48.60	Employee	\$ 12.33
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,704.19	Employee & Spouse	\$ 130.91	Employee & Spouse	\$ 17.67
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 2,099.13	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 17.67
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,984.21	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 31.64
Family	\$ 4,090.76	Family	\$ 178.48	Family	\$ 31.64
\$1,000 Deductible Plan		Notes:			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,265.43				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,555.46				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,983.67				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,820.07				
Family	\$ 3,865.76				
\$1,500 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,203.13				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,429.67				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,886.00				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,681.25				
Family	\$ 3,675.43				
\$4,000 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,081.84				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,184.73				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,695.90				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,410.91				
Family	\$ 3,304.94				
\$1,750 HDHP					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,101.13				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,223.71				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,726.15				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,453.96				
Family	\$ 3,363.87				

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Rates Approved at the 09/01/2026 Board Meeting
Rates effective 1/1/2027

Sweetwater County
Health Insurance COBRA Rates
Calendar Year 2027



COBRA Rates, includes 2% Admin Fee

Effective 1/1/2027

\$500 Deductible Plan		DENTAL		VISION	
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Dental Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Vision Premium
Employee	\$ 1,365.85	Employee	\$ 49.57	Employee	\$ 12.58
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,758.27	Employee & Spouse	\$ 133.53	Employee & Spouse	\$ 18.02
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 2,141.11	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 114.97	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 18.02
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 3,043.89	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 114.97	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 32.27
Family	\$ 4,172.58	Family	\$ 182.05	Family	\$ 32.27
\$1,000 Deductible Plan		The COBRA rate is the regular premium plus 2% to cover the administrative costs of managing COBRA coverage.			
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,290.74				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,606.57				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 2,023.34				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,876.47				
Family	\$ 3,943.08				
\$1,500 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,227.19				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,478.26				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,923.72				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,734.88				
Family	\$ 3,748.94				
\$4,000 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,103.48				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,228.42				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,729.82				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,459.13				
Family	\$ 3,371.04				
HDHP \$1,750/individual; \$3,500/family					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,123.15				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,268.18				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,760.67				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,503.04				
Family	\$ 3,431.15				

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Sweetwater County
Health Insurance COBRA Rates
Calendar Year 2027

**COBRA Rates, does not include 2% Admin
Effective 1/1/2027**

\$500 Deductible Plan		DENTAL		VISION	
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Dental Premium	Coverage Level	TOTAL Vision Premium
Employee	\$ 1,339.07	Employee	\$ 48.60	Employee	\$ 12.33
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,704.19	Employee & Spouse	\$ 130.91	Employee & Spouse	\$ 17.67
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 2,099.13	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 17.67
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,984.21	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 112.72	Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 31.64
Family	\$ 4,090.76	Family	\$ 178.48	Family	\$ 31.64
\$1,000 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,265.43				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,555.46				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,983.67				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,820.07				
Family	\$ 3,865.76				
\$1,500 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,203.13				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,429.67				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,886.00				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,681.25				
Family	\$ 3,675.43				
\$4,000 Deductible Plan					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,081.84				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,184.73				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,695.90				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,410.91				
Family	\$ 3,304.94				
HDHP \$1,750/individual; \$3,500/family					
Coverage Level	TOTAL Health Premium				
Employee	\$ 1,101.13				
Employee & Spouse	\$ 2,223.71				
Employee & 1 Dependent	\$ 1,726.15				
Employee & more than 1 Dependent	\$ 2,453.96				
Family	\$ 3,363.87				

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Sweetwater County - Lincoln Financial - Life Insurance Rates

Effective 1/1/2027 - 1 Year Rate Guarantee

	Basic Employee Life	Basic Emp AD & D	Basic Dep Life	Long Term Disability
Rate	\$2.43	\$0.75	\$0.85per family unit	\$0.334 per \$100 of salary
Benefit	\$ 30,000	\$ 30,000	\$2,000 spouse; \$1,000 dependent	66 2/3% of salary up to a maximum of \$10,000/month
Comment	no change	no change	no change	Premium for LTD plan is increasing from \$.318 per \$100 of salary to \$.334 per \$100 of salary

no change	
Voluntary Life Age Band	Voluntary Life Rates per \$1,000
Under 25	\$0.068
25 - 29	\$0.068
30 - 34	\$0.068
35 - 39	\$0.084
40 - 44	\$0.120
45 - 49	\$0.181
50 - 54	\$0.287
55 - 59	\$0.462
60 - 64	\$0.708
65 - 69	\$1.200
70 - 74	\$2.270
75+	\$2.270

no change
Voluntary AD&D Rates (EE/SP/CH)
\$0.03 per \$1,000

no change
Voluntary Child Life
\$10,000 for \$2.00 per month

Keaton D. West, Chairman

Rate Guarantee through 12/31/2026

Rates Effective: 1/1/2027
