



## Be emergency-prepared as summer approaches

*Get up to speed on wildfire preparedness and sign up for alerts to stay in-the-know*

It is no secret that fire dangers have become more prevalent along the Front Range. The northern Colorado community was impacted by the Cameron Peak Fire, Boulder County is still recovering from the Marshall Fire and fire activity has already increased this year.

Thankfully, the Loveland Fire Rescue Authority (LFRA) and other emergency service organizations in northern Colorado are doing their part to ensure that the Loveland community is prepared ahead of our next fire event.

### **LFRA working to create fire resilient society**

As part of its fire management efforts, LFRA is actively working to update its Community Wildfire Preparedness Program (CWPP) to create a more fire resilient society through fire management and community engagement. A CWPP focuses on issues such as wildfire response, hazard mitigation, community preparedness, and structure protection. This program will help LFRA identify and prioritize areas for hazardous fuel reduction treatments, recommend the types and methods of treatment that will better protect the area and essential infrastructure, and recommend measures to reduce structural ignitability.

The LFRA will host an Open House and Wildfire Awareness Program at Station 7, 2629 N. County Road 27, from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. on May 21. LFRA and its regional response partners will offer detailed information on wildfire prevention and preparedness. No registration is required.



Loveland Fire Rescue Authority firefighters put out a fire in the area.

### **Sign up for emergency alerts**

Loveland residents should sign up for emergency alerts to ensure that they will be notified. Here are four ways to stay connected:

- Create an account at [NOCOAlert.org](https://nocoalert.org) to receive emergency alerts on a cell phone, text and/or email.
- Text the word NOCOALERT to 888777 to receive a text message for all emergency alerts in the area.
- Download the ReachWell by Flyer Connect App on any smartphone to receive emergency alerts in any preferred language.
- Bookmark the webpage [NOCOAlert.org](https://nocoalert.org) and follow NoCo Alert on Facebook and Twitter to see real-time, critical emergency information.

### **CELEBRATE LOVELAND COMMUNITY NIGHT OUT ON JUNE 15**

Sign up to host a block party for Loveland Community Night Out, Wednesday, June 15 from 6 to 9 p.m. Sign up to host a block party: [lovgov.org/eventpermits](https://lovgov.org/eventpermits).



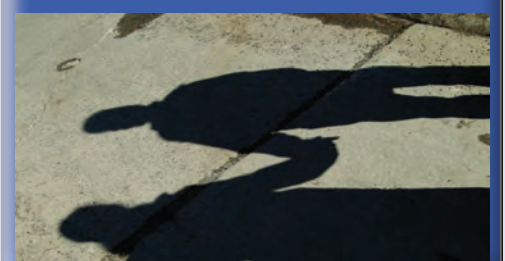
### **GEAR UP FOR LOVELAND WALK & BIKE MONTH EVENTS IN JUNE**

Get outdoors and have fun exploring Loveland with over 12 different walk or bike events in June, including Everybody Bike Day on June 22. Get the scoop: [lovgov.org/walkandbikemonth](https://lovgov.org/walkandbikemonth).



### **JOIN US FOR A HOMELESSNESS TOWN HALL ON MAY 23**

Learn more about the City's homelessness strategic plan and provide valuable feedback in a virtual town hall on Monday, May 23 from 6 - 7:30 p.m. Register: [lovgov.org/homelessness](https://lovgov.org/homelessness).





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or visit [LovelandPulse.com/PulseInProgress](http://LovelandPulse.com/PulseInProgress)**

## City begins 2022 Street Rehabilitation Program

The City's Street Rehabilitation Program (SRP) employs a network level, long-term strategy that enhances pavement performance by using an integrated, cost-effective set of practices that extend pavement life and improve safety. Ultimately, The City wants to keep the good roads good, while working to make the bad roads better.

Starting this year, the SRP will use a new method of evaluating and prioritizing rehabilitation areas. Every three years, the City will complete a comprehensive pavement assessment to determine the condition (PCI) of the network which will provide detailed information about surface distresses (cracking, rutting, etc.) and structural integrity. With this information, the City is able to incorporate current costs and budgets to build the year's program.

For 2022, the SRP has budgeted \$2.5 million for concrete repairs and \$5.1 million for asphalt maintenance.

The "Preliminary 2022 Rehabilitation Areas" can be viewed at [lovgov.org/streets](http://lovgov.org/streets). The locations are subject to change based on budgetary constraints.

The construction will typically occur in three phases.

1. Concrete repairs to damaged curb, gutter, and/or curb ramp upgrades/installation where required by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).
2. Preparation of the road surface. This may include crack filling before chip seal operations or, milling off the top two inches before paving back a new asphalt surface.
3. Installation of the new surface. The photos below show the treatments that will be most used in 2022.

Concrete work has already begun in a few areas to make way for the asphalt operations. Typical working hours, for all phases, are weekdays from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m., however work may occur outside these times or on the weekends to expedite the work.



**Chip Seal**



**Mill and Overlay - Asphalt Paving**



**Hot-In-Place Recycling**



# From Snowy Caps to Loveland Taps

Since 1887, Loveland Water and Power (LWP) has provided residents with safe, affordable water, sourced fresh from the Rocky Mountains. Water travels through mountain streams, creeks and tunnels before a brief stop at the Water Treatment Plant and then to more than 25,000 homes and businesses in our 33-square-mile service area.

**1** Rain and snowmelt collect in the lakes and rivers of the Upper Colorado River Basin on the Western Slope.

**2**

The 13.1-mile Alva B. Adams Tunnel, part of the Colorado-Big Thompson Project (C-BT), takes water from Grand Lake under the Continental Divide to the Big Thompson River.

**3**

Additional rain and snowmelt from Rocky Mountain National Park and the surrounding area contribute to water collection in the Upper Big Thompson Watershed.

**4**

The Big Thompson River carries water down the Big Thompson Canyon where LWP can either divert it directly from the river or from Green Ridge Glade Reservoir, which stores water diverted from the river by the C-BT system of canals and structures.

**The Loveland Water Treatment Plant operates 24 hours a day and purifies up to 38 million gallons per day.**

**Laboratory personnel ensure drinking water meets or exceeds our high quality standards before it is sent to homes and businesses.**

**LWP maintains more than 475 miles of water lines and more than 370 miles of sewer lines underground throughout Loveland. The average household in Loveland uses about 9,000 gallons of water per month.**

**5**

Treated water travels directly to residents through the distribution system, which includes storage tanks for additional capacity.

**LWP can store 20.3 million gallons of drinking water in tank storage.**

## From Our Community to the Next

After Loveland uses its water, it gains new life at our water reclamation facility where it is cleaned and sent downstream to other communities. Wastewater travels through sewer lines that connect to homes and businesses in Loveland—not to be confused with stormwater, which is collected in storm drains and managed by the stormwater division of Loveland Public Works.

**1**

Lovelanders send wastewater through sink drains, toilets and appliances that use water like washing machines and dishwashers. Wastewater is then transported through sewer lines to the Loveland Water Reclamation Facility.

**2**

Operators monitor plant parameters, flows and apply process control methods which recycle the wastewater into high-quality water that can be returned to the Big Thompson River. Operators sample water at every stage of the process and laboratory personnel ensure it is safe for people and aquatic life.

**3**

Clean, treated water is then released into the Big Thompson River and sent downstream to other communities on the Eastern Plains.



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## UTILITY NEWS



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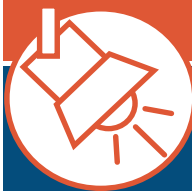


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## MAY SPOTLIGHT

Did you know that Loveland Water and Power produces videos about projects, community events and instructional videos about how you can use your utilities efficiently? **Search "Loveland Water and Power"** on **YouTube.com** to stay in the loop.

### Free irrigation assessments are coming in June!

Slow the Flow offers water-efficient, in-ground sprinkler consultations for your residential property. You can also find rebates on qualified irrigation controllers, rotary nozzles and rain sensors. Go to [resourcecentral.org/sprinklers](http://resourcecentral.org/sprinklers) or call **303.999.3824**.

Do you receive a home utility report in your mailbox? Did you know LWP offers an online efficiency portal where you can **earn points toward a gift card** just for registering your account and doing an online home assessment? [lovelandwaterandpower.org/HUR](http://lovelandwaterandpower.org/HUR)

**We want to see you Loveland!** LWP sponsors and attends multiple local events each year. We enjoy meeting customers and answering your questions about your utilities. Check out the calendar at [lovelandwaterandpower.org](http://lovelandwaterandpower.org) to see where we'll be this summer!



## EVERYTHING YOU NEED TO KNOW ABOUT SPRINKLER PERMITS & BACKFLOW

### What is backflow? Why is it important?

Water supply systems must contain a minimum of 20 PSI of pressure so the water flows as intended when you turn on a faucet or flush a toilet. A drop in pressure that causes the flow to reverse, which can happen if a pipe freezes or bursts unexpectedly, is called backflow. Without a valve to prevent backflow, foreign pollutants can potentially enter the clean water supply.

### When do I need to get a sprinkler permit?

- Per Loveland Municipal Code, permits are required before installing a new sprinkler system or if a system is repaired, expanded or modified.
- Property owners can perform normal maintenance on their sprinkler systems including replacing sprinkler heads or repairing a leak without obtaining a permit.

**Permits are free and required for all homeowners and contractors. To obtain a permit, please complete the sprinkler permit application form at [lovelandwaterandpower.org/sprinkler](http://lovelandwaterandpower.org/sprinkler).**

### Why is a sprinkler permit important?

A sprinkler permit assures proper installation of the backflow assembly on a sprinkler system. A permit also ensures sprinkler systems are sized correctly for flow and pressure demands.

### How can sprinkler system owners prevent backflow?

Sprinkler systems installed before regulations were developed, unapproved installations and simple wear-and-tear of backflow assemblies all pose serious risks to our drinking water. Commercial, multi-family and dedicated irrigation backflows are required by Colorado and federal law to undergo annual backflow prevention testing. Single-family homeowners are also encouraged to test backflow assemblies annually.

### What is an approved backflow assembly?

The Colorado Water Quality Division identified approved backflow assemblies for use in Colorado. Approved assemblies are marked with the ASSE or USC stamping. Customers should be aware that both approved assemblies and unapproved devices are on the market. For a list of certified backflow prevention testers in Northern Colorado approved by the Backflow Prevention Education Council of Colorado, go to [bpecc.us/find-a-tester.html](http://bpecc.us/find-a-tester.html).

**Learn more about backflow prevention at...**  
**[lovelandwaterandpower.org/backflow](http://lovelandwaterandpower.org/backflow)**

