

# PUBLIC NOTICES

## NOTICE OF INTENT TO ABANDON RAIL SERVICE AB 1343

Saratoga Railroad, LLC ("Saratoga") gives notice that on or about January 13, 2025, it intends to file with the Surface Transportation Board ("Board"), Washington, DC, a Notice of Exemption pursuant to 49 C.F.R Part 1152 Subpart F – Exempt Abandonments and Discontinuances, permitting Saratoga to abandon an approximately 23.71-mile rail line extending from Walcott, WY (M.P. 0.57) to Saratoga, WY (M.P. 24.28) in Carbon County, Wyoming (the "Line"). The Line traverses the United States Postal Zip Code territories 82331 and 82335. There are no customers served on the Line, which has been out of service for more than twenty years. The proceeding has been docketed as AB 1343.

The proposed action entails the abandonment of rail service over the Line. For abandonments, the Board's Office of Environmental Analysis ("OEA") generally will prepare an Environmental Assessment ("EA"), which normally will be available 25 days after the filing of the abandonment notice of exemption. Comments on environmental and energy matters should be filed no later than 15 days after the EA becomes available to the public. Such comments will be addressed in a Board decision. Interested persons may obtain a copy of the EA or make inquiries regarding environmental matters by writing to OEA, Surface Transportation Board, 395 E Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20423, or by calling that office at (202) 245-0295.

Appropriate offers of financial assistance ("OFAs") to continue rail service can be filed with the Board. Requests for environmental conditions, public use conditions, or rail banking/trails use also can be filed with the Board. An original and 10 copies of any pleading that raises matters other than environmental issues (such as trails public use, and OFA) must be filed directly with the Board's Section of Administration, Office of Proceedings, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423 [See 49 C.F.R. §§ 1104.1(a) and 1104.3(a)], and one copy must be served on the applicants' representative [See 49 CFR § 1104.12(a)]. Questions regarding OFAs, public use, or trails use may be directed to the Board's Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs, and Compliance at 202-245-0230. Copies of any comments or requests for specific Board action should be served on the applicant's representative: Spencer M. Naake, Mullins Law Group PLLC, 2001 L Street NW, Suite 720, Washington, DC 20036; phone: 202-663-7831.

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### Notice Request For Bids

The Carbon County Fire Protection District is accepting bids for (1) new 2024 or newer model year, 4-wheel drive, 60 inch cab to axle, 4 door crew cab, utility box truck with the following minimum specifications:  
6.7 L Turbo Diesel Engine.  
Automatic transmission with overdrive. Minimum 150 Amp alternator.  
Full size spare tire. Solid White in color.  
Trailer towing package with trailer brake control. Cruise control.  
Air conditioner. AM/FM radio.  
Heavy duty floor mats. Heavy duty battery.  
Heavy duty cooling system with transmission cooler. Back Up Camera.  
Bedliner.  
All Terrain Light Truck Tires. 40/20/40 Split Bench Seat.  
Protective Style bumper and Grill Guard Installed. Cold Weather Package.  
Tilt Steering Column. Tow Hooks.  
Shift on the fly transfer case. Upfitter switches.  
Minimum GVWR 16,500 pounds.  
Heavy duty, one-piece, protective bumper with grill guard installed.  
Delivery of sale within 60 days of acceptance of proposal by

District.

Mail bids to the Carbon County Fire Protection District. 812 E. Murray Suite C. Rawlins, WY. 82301 or email jrutherford@carbonwypfd.com.  
Please indicate on the envelope or subject line "Fire Dist. Pickup". All sealed bids must be received at the Carbon County Fire Protection District Office by January 15, 2025, by 5 PM. Bids will be opened January 16, 2025 during the Regular Fire District Board Meeting.  
Bidder understands and accepts responsibility, if bids are sent electronically by email, they may not be received by the district, therefore not eligible for consideration.  
The Carbon County Fire Protection District reserves the right to reject any and all bids or to accept any bid which, in its sole and absolute judgment, shall under all circumstances best serve the district's interest. No bids will be considered that are received after the scheduled time. The district reserves the right to waive any and all formalities of any bid.

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# REFLECTIONS FROM OUR FILES

January 8, 1925 100 Years Ago

## Mrs. Ross Inaugurated at Capital City Last Monday

First Woman to Be Made Governor of Any American State — Inaugural Address Was Very Brief

Shortly after noon last Monday in the senate chamber of the Wyoming state capitol, occurred the ceremonies which made Mrs. Nellie Tayloe Ross governor of the commonwealth of Wyoming, succeeding her late husband, William Br. Ross. The oath of office was administered by Chief Justice Chas. N. Potter of the state supreme court.

The address of the new governor was very brief and entirely devoid of any discussion of political matters. She said:

"My friends:  
"Owing to the tragic and unprecedented circumstances which surround my induction into office, I have felt it not only unne-

cessary but inappropriate for me now to enter into such a discussion of policies as usually constitutes an inaugural address.

"This occasion does not mark the beginning of a new administration, but rather a resumption of that which was inaugurated in this chamber two years ago. It is well understood, I am sure, that it is my purpose to continue, as I am convinced it is the desire of my state that I should, insofar as changing conditions will permit, the program and policies then launched.

"I avail myself of this opportunity to acknowledge the gracious consideration shown my by Governor Lucas during the period h has served as chief executive of our state and to say that I look forward confidently to that same degree of cooperation with

him and with the other state officers and with the legislature, that during my husband's term lightened for him the burdens of official life and contributed to his satisfaction and joy in service.

"In approaching the responsibilities of this exalted office, I do so with profound sense of the high obligation it imposes upon me. That the people of Wyoming should have placed such trust in me — in large measure, I feel an expression of their recognition of my husband's devotion to their interests, and of his contribution to the progress of the state — calls forth in this solemn hour my deepest gratitude and challenges e to rise to the opportunities for service thus made possible, and to dedicate to the task before me every faculty of mind and body with which I may

be endowed.

"Such dedication I now offer to my state, relying upon Divine help for strength and guidance."

Secretary of State Frank E. Lucas, who has been acting governor since the death of Mr. Ross, also addressed the large assemblage saying in conclusion:

"Speaking for all the state officers, I desire to wish for the incoming incumbent, the governor-elect, a successful administration, and pledge to her the loyal support and cooperation of all the members of the present state administration, and ask that all citizens of Wyoming ever remember that she is governor of the state, and that they aid and assist in every way possible toward making her administration a successful one."

January 9, 1975 50 Years Ago

## Industrialists purchase Silver Spur from Sidleys

William D. Sidley has sold the Silver Spur Ranch near Encampment after nearly 41 years of operating the ranch and raising commercial Hereford and registered Charolais cattle. The Sidley family has watched the ranch grow to biome internationally known for its Charolais cattle operation. The purchasers of the ranch in the multi-million dollar land deal ar Mr. and Mrs. Edward W. Cook of Membphis, Tenn., and Mrs. and Mrs. John L. Welsh, Jr, of Houston, Tex. The ranch will be managed by James York, Jr.

Cook is chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Cook Industries, one of the nations leading grain exporters. Cook Industries also engaged in the merchandising of other agricultural products, the production of materials

for the building industry, pesticides, insurance, and real estate development. Welsh is an independent oil operator in Houston.

The Silver Spur ranches comprise over 11,000 acres and have a cow-calf capacity exceeding 1500 units. In 1934 Sidley purchased the heart of the Silver Spur Ranch, the Hawkes-Huston Ranch, comprising 3,500 acres of irrigated native hay meadow and some pasture. The ranch has been increased in size over the years and is situated in the Saratoga-Encampment valley between the Medicine Bow Mountains and the Sierra Madre Range. All of the creeks from both sides flow into the North Platte River, Through the years the lands that the Sidleys have added to the ranch have been irrigable. Water for irrigation is everything in this country

and the Silver Spur is well supplied.

When William D. Sidley first took up ranching in the Platte Valley he raised commercial Hereford cattle. Over the years numerous loads of carload feeder calves were shown at the National Western Stockshow in Denver with several awards being won.

In 1954 the first Charolais bulls were purchased by the Silver Spur, at a time when, according to Sidley, "Nobody in our whole Rocky Mountain country had ever heard of them. After making the change to Charolais, we have endeavored to breed the finest Charolais possible, always concentrating on breeding fast gaining beef-type animals." The Silver Spur has at the present time one of the finest Charolais herds in the Rocky Mountain West.

According to Jim York, Jr., the present purebred Charolais herd will be kept at the Silver Spur until May 10 when a dispersal sale will be held at the farmer-Rancher Livestock Commission in Fort Collins, Colo. These cattle were not included in the sale. He also added that the ranch would have less registered cattle and that it would be a cow-calf operation rather than a yearling operation in the future.

Jim York, Sr. has moved to Encampment with his family after managing the Silver Spur Ranch for the past 14 years. According to him, Sidley is retaining his home at the South Ranch of the Silver Spur (headquarters of the ranch) and also some adjacent mountain pasture. Sdley plans to run some cattle in the summer with the assistance of York. This will be known as the 7 Bar Ranch.

## SAVE THE DATE NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION TITLE 17 SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE

In pursuant to Wyoming Code; notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Planning and Zoning Commission of Saratoga.

The Town of Saratoga Planning and Zoning Commission has recently drafted an ordinance that will fully repeal and re-write Title 17 "Subdivisions"; within the Saratoga Town Code. The purpose of the revision is to clarify the process and development requirements when subdividing property or altering existing subdivision boundaries within the Town limits of Saratoga. The revision also clarifies the processes and assurances required when making public improvements during the subdivision process including but not limited to; roads, sewer, water, natural gas, curb and gutter, etc. Prior to recommending the ordinance for adoption to the Town Council, the Planning Commission is requesting input from the matter on the topic. The Commission would appreciate any information that could be beneficial in improving this process for the staff, residents, developers, elected officials and residents alike. A copy of the proposed ordinance is available online at: [HYPERLINK "http://www.townofsaratoga.org"](http://www.townofsaratoga.org) www.townofsaratoga.org or at Town Hall at the address listed below.  
The hearing will take place at;  
Time: 5:30pm  
Date: January 14th, 2025  
Where: Town Hall (Council Chambers)  
110 E. Spring Ave.  
Saratoga, WY 82331

This is an opportunity for the public to provide opinions, insights and information to the Saratoga Planning and Zoning Commission as it pertains to the subdivision process within the Town Limits. Written comments may be mailed to:  
Saratoga Planning Department  
P.O. Box 486  
Saratoga, Wyoming 82331  
For questions or information please contact the Saratoga Planning Department at the mailing address above or call 307-447-2882.

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### Town of Saratoga Cash Requirements 12-17-2024

Armstrong Consultants, Inc - \$12,713.80; Armstrong Consultants, Inc - \$14,400.00; BCN - \$109.01; Carbon Power & Light Inc. - \$14,659.88; Caselle, Inc. - \$1,347.00; Kelsey Kristen Huntoon - \$30.00; Kylie M Waldrip, P.C. - \$1,063.00; Motorola Solutions, Inc. - \$1,494.48; MPM Corp - \$605.00; One-Call of Wyoming, Inc. - \$27.75; Perue Printing - \$761.30; Pitney Bowes Global Finan - \$431.37; Platte Valley Porta Pots, In - \$300.00; Rocky Mountain Battery LL - \$303.90; Saratoga Carbon County J - \$350.00; Saratoga Feed and Grain - \$11.99; Saratoga Recycling - \$30.00; Saratoga Sun - \$4,578.00; Shively Hardware Co - \$10.99; Stinker Stores, Inc - \$2,238.65; TACONE Consulting - \$1,000.00; US Bank - \$1,973.53; Valley Oil Company - \$921.05

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### Carbon County Fire Protection District Notice of Date and Time of Regular Meetings for 2025

The Carbon County Fire Protection District regular monthly meetings for 2025 will be held only once a month on the third Thursday of each month commencing at 6:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Platte Valley Community Center in Saratoga, WY.

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### NOTICE OF ABANDONED VEHICLE SALE February 5, 2025 from 1:00 to 2:00 pm Elk Mountain Onsite 212 1st Street Hanna, Wyoming 82337

2007 Dodge Caliber LP: JBU 1094 OH Vin: 1B3HB28B87D3806 Amt: \$7,500	1998 Dodge Grand Caravan LP: QDI 503 CO Vin: 1B4GP54L8WB768038 Amt: \$8,200
2004 Honda Element LP: 248 BTF LA Vin: 5J6YH27384L015979 Amt: \$9,990	2016 Toyota Corolla LP: U970PN UT Vin: JTNK4RBE4K3048611 Amt: \$12,500
2000 KIT Travel Trailer LP: 2993540 UT Vin: 1KT266T27Y2993540 Amt: \$7,500	1997 Acura CL LP: HGM 5218 TX Vin: 19UYA1246VL024266 Amt: \$6,550
2003 Mercedes Benz LP: LKG 5177 TX Vin: WDBUF65J43A131823 Amt: \$8,500	2003 Lincoln Aviator LP: 6 890 WY Vin: 5LMEU78H93ZJ33773 Amt: \$7,500

2003 Toyota Camry LP: 48B MYX OR Vin: 4T1BG22KXXU501054 Amt: \$7,500	2001 Chevrolet Impala LS LP: DW 4218 IL Vin: 2G1WH55KX19135805 Amt: \$9,500
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2011 BMX X3 LP: BEN 7797 WA Vin: 5UXWX5C56BL713088 Amt: \$11,500	2006 Pontiac Grand Prix LP: UNKNOWN Vin: 2G2WP552461164477 Amt: \$7,200
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2008 Nissan Altima LP: JFP 2751 OH Vin: 1N4AL21E88C183827 Amt: \$9,500	2021 Nissan Sentra LP: AAL01658 MT Vin: 3N1ABS8U8MY315096 Amt: \$14,500
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1998 Ford F150  
LP: RCJ 0143 TX  
Vin: 1FTZF1729WKA38300  
Amt: \$6,500

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