GET EDUCATED ABOUT THE WEST NILE VIRUS

As summer approaches, the mosquito and tick populations begin to emerge from hibernation. In addition to being an annoyance, these little buggers can actually transmit serious diseases like West Nile Virus (WNV).

Larimer County is one of the top counties in the nation for incidents of infection by WNV. County records show that the virus infects people in, or near, Berthoud every year. For those with compromised immune systems, it can be fatal.

PREVENTION IS THE BEST CURE

The best way to avoid the West Nile Virus is to prevent mosquito bites.

To make sure your home remains West Nile-free this summer, use these basic techniques:

Drain or dispose of standing water
- Mosquitos breed in water, so keep bird baths, clogged gutters, and kiddie pools clean

Dress appropriately
- Wear lightweight, long-sleeved shirts and long pants while outdoors

Defend yourself
- Use insect repellent on exposed skin, especially during the peak season for West Nile Virus (June–August)

Be aware at dawn and dusk
- While our sunrises and sunsets are beautiful, they are also peak mosquito biting hours

CONSTRUCTION UPDATES

The roundabout on CR 17 and Woodcock St. was delayed by rainy and wet weather, but it is still slated for completion in the middle of June.

You may have also noticed that parts of CR 17 are in need of some new paint. The road will be resurfaced prior to painting to eliminate the need to paint it twice.

Town staff is putting together a road construction project list for the remainder of the year. This will be finalized with the Town Board in June and then shared with residents.

Finally, Love’s Travel Stop has begun construction near I-25 and is scheduled for completion in December 2017.
SUMMER CODE ENFORCEMENT

1. Cut weeds and grasses
   All plants, brush, or grass must be cut and removed before they become weeds

2. Keep your property clean
   The accumulation of garbage or trash is prohibited and all trash must be kept in containers

3. Water responsibly
   Major irrigation systems should not run between 10 a.m. and 6 p.m.

EMERGENCY ALERTS

The Larimer Emergency Telephone Authority (LETA911) is the governing authority for 9-1-1 in Larimer County. You can sign up for emergency alerts to be delivered to your cell phone, email, or home phone. Learn more and register at www.leta911.org.

WATER SAFETY TIPS

The Town of Berthoud is fortunate to have its own water and wastewater treatment plants. To keep these running at top capacity, remember to keep fats, oils, and greases (FOGs) out of your drains.

Dispose of FOGs like bacon grease and cooking oil in the trash to avoid costly repairs to your property.

Also, remember that the toilet is not a trashcan! Flush only items that belong in the toilet and keep the rest out of our water system.

COMMUNITY STATS – APRIL 2017

147 TOTAL PERMITS
87 SINGLE-FAMILY DWELLINGS
VALUATION: $17,681,817

SALES TAX COLLECTED
APRIL 2017 $360,500
APRIL 2016 $173,041
SALES TAX YTD 2017 $1,453,081

546 SAFETY CALLS
ANIMAL CALLS...........14
ASSIST OTHER AGENCIES (FIRE/MEDICAL) ............19
CITIZEN ASSISTS.........26
TRAFFIC STOPS..........66

Questions? Comments? Suggestions? Compliments?
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