

State News for NSPE Members

Laramie City Council Approves Infrastructure Planning for the Future

Laramie City Council unanimously awarded a \$2 million construction to Laramie-based Big Hunhks Excavation during a recent regular meeting, [WyomingNews reports](#).

The bid is to begin the final stage of a long-term infrastructure improvement effort in West Laramie.

"This is an exciting project that we've been working on for many, many years," Public Works Director Brooks Webb said during the June 3 meeting. "This is Phase 2 of the Wyoming Avenue Project, which is the final phase of the project. The first phase, we completed last year, when the stormwater outfall line was installed."

Phase 2 of the project includes the installation of water lines, curbs, gutters, sidewalks and concrete pavement along Wyoming Avenue between Pierce and Johnson streets, and Colorado Avenue between Jefferson Street and Wyoming Avenue.

"The stormwater outfall line will drain the area around Wyoming Avenue out to the wetlands," Webb said. "... Before we put the street in, we're going to be replacing the water line underneath. There's an old 6-inch ductile iron water line that runs on Wyoming and Colorado (avenues). We're going to replace that with an 8-inch PVC before the street comes in." [Read more](#).

Proposed FEMA Change Could Leave Wyoming Towns in Trouble

In an effort to slash spending by the Federal Emergency Management Agency, White House officials are considering drastically raising the threshold for how much damage a natural disaster must cause before local governments will qualify for

federal help rebuilding, [WyoFile reports](#).

Under the new proposed criteria, Wyoming's state and local governments wouldn't have been eligible for federal compensation for public infrastructure losses in recent disasters of note — including last year's historic wildfires and flooding in 2023 and 2017 — an official with the Wyoming Department of Homeland Security told a state legislative committee Monday.

Under the current calculation, a disaster has to do more than \$1.1 million in damage to public infrastructure before Wyoming can turn to the federal government for help. President Donald Trump's administration is considering changing that threshold to \$4.4 million, according to an internal memo reported on by CNN. [Read more](#).

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Get Ready to Celebrate PE Day

The annual [Professional Engineers Day](#) will be celebrated on August 6, 2025. Save the date and get ready to share your photos and selfies as part of the online virtual event using the hashtag #LicensedPEday on X (Twitter), Facebook, Instagram or LinkedIn.

Share your reasons for being a PE and give special recognition to your colleagues and teams. Prepare for the celebration and gear up by visiting the [PE Day Logo Store](#).



Showcase the Contributions of PEs During National Safety Month

NSPE is recognizing [National Safety Month](#) on our social media channels during June. This is a great way to promote professional engineers and the ways in which your companies/organizations are keeping the public and employees safe in all the work that you do.

If you have any onsite/project related photos and messaging (details to summarize activities and safety philosophy) that will illustrate the following topics areas --

Employee Engagement (June 8-14), Roadway Safety (June 15-21) and Wellbeing (June 22-30)—share them on your own social media channels using the hashtag #NationalSafetyMonth and tag NSPE so we can help spread the word!

2025 Spring Webinar Series Available On-Demand

Did you miss any of our spring WORKability Wednesdays Webinars? No worries! Members can access recordings of the following webinars free of charge through the [PE Institute](#). *Members are advised to consult their state licensing board to determine requirements for PDH or CPD credits.

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