

# FRUITA

## COLORADO

### Weekly Info Update

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To: MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL  
From: MIKE BENNETT, CITY MANAGER  
Date: July 29, 2016  
Re: WEEKLY INFO UPDATE

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#### **Tuesday's City Council Meeting**

The agenda includes a handful of important planning items including, three public hearings: Sacred Heart Church re-zone request and preliminary plan reviews for Adobe View North and Aspen village subdivisions. A couple consent items important to point out are the resolution to change Enoch's Lake to day use only for the remainder of the year and a resolution for first release of the SIA for Village at Country Creek.

#### **Lagoon Redevelopment Survey (Repeat)**

As we begin the project to use our AGNC grant to do a redevelopment plan of the lagoon property, we have released a public survey that I encourage you to share with residents and take yourselves. The notice is below. The link can be found here:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/FruitaLagoons>

#### **TID BITS:**

- This week staff has been busy working on finalizing the GOCO and TAP grants for the Kokopelli section of the Riverfront Trail.
- Collbran and the Job Corps hosted a very nice municipalities dinner Thursday that was attended by myself and counselors Bonar, Karisny and Kreie.
- Mark has notified all downtown businesses of the new sign ordinance being in effect.
- Staff had a positive meeting with US Tractor this week.
- PD went to Enoch's lake Wednesday to notify campers with a written notice that we will be changing to day use only effective Aug. 1.
- Public Works staff posted the new sign at Enoch's on Thursday.
- A press release was sent to media and posted on Facebook by Chief Macy regarding the change at Enoch's Lake.

*Honor the Past – Envision the Future* **FRUITA**

- Budget, budget, budget is what staff are focusing much attention to right now for 2017.
- Staff is also updating the new gofruita site change over that will go live later in August.
- Unfortunately, the lagoon ponds are turning over and causing a smell again. Staff has been able to manage the smell outside of when it turns over and is working to get it under control again.
- CDOT Region 3 Office will be conducting annual county meetings to discuss transportation issues and future projects on Sept. 26, 2016, at 1:30 pm at 544 Rood Avenue in Grand Junction.
- We are also working hard on designing and finalizing various business recruitment materials for upcoming trade shows.
- Below is a fact sheet on Tularemia from Mesa County as there have been two confirmed cases in rabbits this summer in the valley (one in Fruita area).

#### **FRUITA IN THE NEWS (or related news to the area):**

- The story of 'Mike the headless chicken is legendary in Fruita- Denver station TV spot: <http://kwgn.com/2016/07/25/the-story-of-mike-the-headless-chicken-is-legend-in-fruita/>
- Fruita coffee shop gains recognition with unique perks—New Fruita coffee shop gains popularity throughout community TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/fruita-coffee-shop-gains-popularity-with-unique-perks>
- Pizza for Canyons: Hot Tomato hosts Colorado Canyons Assoc. Fundraiser TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/pizza-for-canyons-hot-tomato-hosts-colorado-canyons-assoc-fundraiser>
- Food drive is a hand-up for families, not a hand-out TV spot: <http://www.kjct8.com/content/news/Food-drive-is-a-hand-up-for-families-not-a-hand-out-388043302.html>
- Study details the economics of mountain biking: <http://www.kjct8.com/content/news/Study-details-the-economics-of-mountain-biking-388488502.html>
- Fruita asking for help determining future of sewer treatment lagoons: <http://kool1079.com/fruita-sewer-lagoon-redevelopment-survey/>
- Colorado State Patrol Fruita Division is one of first in state to receive memorial car TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/colorado-state-patrol-fruita-division-is-one-of-first-in-the-state-to-receive-memorial-car>
- Rabbit infected with Tularemia found in Fruita area TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/rabbit-infected-with-tularemia-in-fruita-area>
- Father, Son duo rope in family rodeo tradition TV spot: <http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/father-son-duo-rope-in-family-rodeo-tradition>
- Controlled burn in Fruita spreads smoke over the valley: <http://www.nbc11news.com/content/news/Controlled-burn-in-Fruita-spreads-smoke-over-the-valley-388162542.html>

- Commissioner candidate's roadside signs go missing TV spot:  
<http://www.westernslopenow.com/news/local-news/commissioner-candidates-roadside-signs-go-missing>

**UPCOMING EVENTS** *(When an RSVP is required I will include the information. I also ask that you let Deb know if you plan to attend so we can make sure to post if multiple council members plan to attend. Deb would also be happy to RSVP for you.):*

- All summer events listed below.
- **Tomorrow, July 30**, don't forget the Farmer's Market from 8:30 - 12:30 in Civic Center Park with live music starting at 10 am with Zac Grant.
- **August 12**, 3-5 pm at the GJEP offices is an Ice Cream Social and Open house. (Full invite below).
- **August 13**, 9am – noon is our Bicycle Rodeo at the FCC.
- The Fruita Community Calendar is available on the website at: <http://www.fruita.org/calendar>.
- The **2015** Events Information is also available online at: <http://www.fruita.org/parksrec/page/special-events>

CC: Department Directors

# Fruita Lagoon Redevelopment Survey

The City of Fruita is seeking public input on the potential opportunities in redeveloping City-owned properties near the Colorado River. Your input on the types of uses and ideas on how the properties are developed are greatly appreciated.

[Begin Survey](#)

## **BACKGROUND**

The City of Fruita owns properties located at the west end of Raptor Road with riverfront access to the Colorado River & Little Salt Wash, as well as having potential commercial uses along the I-70 frontage. Prior to 2011, the properties served mainly as the site of the City's sewer treatment lagoons. The lagoons have since been decommissioned and a riverfront trail has been constructed along the riverfront.

## **PURPOSE**

The City recognizes that the undeveloped areas of the lagoon properties have a great deal of potential that could support the goals of the City. The City is seeking to gather ideas from the community that can be used to develop a conceptual master plan for the site and provide the City with direction as opportunities arise.

**PROJECT LOCATION MAP**



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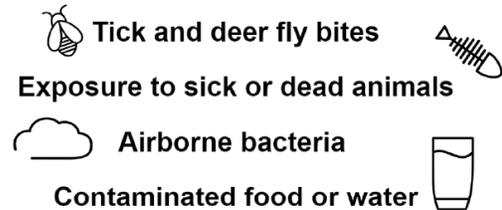
# FACTS ABOUT TULAREMIA

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## WHAT IS TULAREMIA?

Tularemia spreads to humans through several routes, including tick and deer fly bites or direct exposure to an infected animal. This disease is extremely contagious and potentially fatal, but is easily treated with antibiotics.

## HOW IS IT SPREAD?



## WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS?

*Symptoms can vary depending on the route of infection, but may include:*

- A skin ulcer that forms at the site of infection, usually from a tick or deer fly bite or from handling an infected animal
- Swollen painful lymph glands, usually in an armpit or groin
- Eye pain and swelling
- Sore throat or mouth ulcers
- Cough, chest pain, or difficulty breathing
- Fever

## WHAT TO DO IF YOU BECOME ILL?

**Call a healthcare provider right away**



## HOW TO PREVENT TULAREMIA TRANSMISSION?



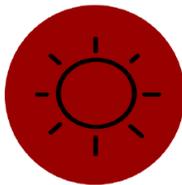
### Protect yourself from ticks/deer flies

- Wear long-sleeved shirts and long pants
- Tuck your pants into your socks
- Wear a broad-brimmed hat
- Use an EPA-approved insect repellent against ticks



### Avoid handling wild animals

- If you must, move the animal using a long handled shovel, double bag the carcass, and place in an outside trashcan
- Remember to wash your hands thoroughly with soap and hot water after moving the carcass



### Take care while working outside

- Use protective gear when disturbing the soil, clearing weeds or brush, and mowing the lawn



### Protect your pets

- Avoid letting pets outside unsupervised or off leash
- Provide pets with flea and tick protection and don't let them come in close contact with wild or dead animals
- Contact a veterinarian if your pet develops a fever or swollen glands

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For more information, please visit:  
[www.cdc.gov/tularemia](http://www.cdc.gov/tularemia)



**MESA COUNTY  
HEALTH DEPARTMENT**  
*Working Together for a Healthy Community*

## 2016 Summer Events and Activities in Fruita

June 3-4	Mike the Headless Chicken Festival		Downtown Fruita
June 9	Thursday Night Concert – Jack and Jill	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
June 11	Dinosaur Day	9am - 5pm	Dinosaur Journey Museum
June 15	Colorado Riverfront Concert – March Forth	7:00pm	James M Robb Colorado River State Park
June 16	Thursday Night Concert – The Navigators	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
June 22	Bike to Work Day Breakfast by FHW (Flash Ride from Dinosaur Journey To Community Center 6:30 am)	7:30-9am	Fruita Community (Recreation) Center
June 23	Thursday Night Concert – Bicycle Annie	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
June 24	Food Truck Fridays	5:30 – 8:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
June 25	Fruita Farmers Market Starts (each Saturday)	8:30 am – 12:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
June 30	Thursday Night Concert – Centennial Band (City Council Ice Cream Social)	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
July 3	Fruita Fireworks Display (Fireworks Set-off at Dusk from Snooks Bottom)	Dusk	Viewing Throughout Fruita
July 3	Fruita Family Fun Fair	5 – 9 pm	South Side Market Place
July 7	Thursday Night Concert – Stoned	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
July 14	Thursday Night Concert – Flat Top Reed	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
July 20	Little Salt Wash Trail Dedication (Ride, Run, Walk from Fruita Community Center to State Park. Dedication Prior to Concert.)		James M Robb Colorado River State Park
July 20	Colorado Riverfront Concert – Subdudes	7:00pm	James M Robb Colorado River State Park
July 21	Thursday Night Concert – Sleep Junkys	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
July 22	Food Truck Fridays	5:30 – 8:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
July 28	Thursday Night Concert – Retrospectacle	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
Aug 4	Thursday Night Concert – Zolopht	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
Aug 4	Colorado Riverfront Concert – Buckwheat Zydeco	7:00pm	James M Robb Colorado River State Park
Aug 6	Cops and Cars for Special Olympics		Fruita Monument High School
Aug 11	Thursday Night Concert – Williams Brothers Band	7:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
Aug 13	Bike Rodeo		Fruita Community (Recreation) Center
Aug 13	Tour of the Valley – Bicycle Tour		Fruita Area Roads
Aug 26	Food Truck Fridays	5:30 – 8:30pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park
Sep 10	Dog Daze at the Outdoor Pool		Fruita Community (Recreation) Center
Sep 17	Final Farmer's Market	8:30am – 12:30pm	Downtown Fruita
Sep 23-25	Fruita Fall Festival		Downtown Fruita
Sep 30	Food Truck Fridays	5:30 – 8:30 pm	Downtown Fruita – Civic Center Park

\*Also don't forget the Tuesday night Rodeos at Rim Rock during the summer.

# ICE CREAM SOCIAL

*& OPEN HOUSE*



## COME JOIN US!

The GJEP team would like to say *thank you* for all you do...



Enjoy some Enstrom's ice cream on us while you explore our office and get to know our staff and board members a little bit better.

**FRIDAY,  
AUGUST 12**

**3:00-5:00 PM**

**GJEP**

*122 N. 6th Street*



## ***Families are welcome!***

Please RSVP to Terri by August 9 with how many people you're bringing: [terri@gjep.org](mailto:terri@gjep.org).

We look forward to seeing you!  
Kristi, Steve, Terri & Cilia