

Community Services and Facilities

Health and Safety

Police

- **Riverton Police** provides services police protection to the community out of city hall, 24-hours a day.
- The agency has 26 sworn officers and 14 civilian employees.
- To the extent it can, the department provides pro-active, community-oriented services, but the department would like to offer more programs and community-oriented policing.
- Riverton Police has agreements with the **Fremont County Sheriff's Office** to respond to calls outside city limits on an as-needed basis.
- Riverton's response times meet national standards. The police department would like to add cars and equipment.

Fire and Emergency Medical Services

- **Riverton Volunteer Fire Department:** 314 E Washington Ave provides volunteer fire and EMS service.
- **Fremont County Fire District** has a fully trained volunteer force in firefighting and has Emergency Medical Technicians, Confined Space Rescue Squad, High Angle Rescue Squad, and a Haz-Mat Team.
- **Fremont County Ambulance** also serves Riverton.
- **Fremont County Search and Rescue** provides specialized rescue services for local backcountry enthusiasts.

Medical

- **Riverton Memorial Hospital** is a 70-bed acute care facility with 50 member physicians and 24-hour emergency care. The award-winning health care provider serves Riverton and surrounding areas.
- The hospital offers a variety of in-patient and out-patient health care services. Mobile Health Testing Services are available at CWC.

Utilities

Gas and Electric

- **KN Energy:** Provides natural gas to residents of Riverton. System capacity for the service area is at 13,000 mcf. This far exceeds the current peak demand of 6,268 mcf.
- **Pacific Power:** Provides electricity with a base monthly rate of \$8.46/month for the first 20 kWh and 5.329 cents per additional kWh.

Water Collection and Distribution

- Riverton provides drinking water to approximately 9,900 residents inside city limits.



KEY TRENDS

Police

- Demands for police services are increasing as the community grows. Future considerations may include developing a joint facility for use by Riverton Police and the Fremont County Sheriff's office.

Medical

- Riverton's Memorial Hospital currently undergoing a \$9 million expansion and renovation to better serve the community.
- The hospital will be adding to additional operating rooms and its own oncology clinic—offering patients an alternative to being bused to Casper for treatment.

Solid Waste and Recycling

- The city's Yard Waste Program is a model for recycling. In 2007, approximately 37,000 cubic yards of collected yard waste translated into a huge savings of landfill space and dramatically cut down the number of 22-mile trips the city's garbage trucks made to the Riverton/Sand Draw landfill.

Sources:

www.trashmatters.org
<http://www.riverton.wyoming.com>

[Interviews with Riverton Memorial Hospital staff and Riverton Police.](#)



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Solid Waste and Recycling

- The Fremont County Solid Waste Disposal District (FCSWDD), in cooperation with the City of Riverton, offers mulch, wood chips, compost and fertilizer for sale in bulk—all of which come from the collection of yard waste within the community.
- The City of Riverton offers residents weekly curbside pickup by type of recyclables and also provides centralized recycling stations throughout the community.
- The City of Riverton's Yard Waste program won the FCSWDD's group recycling award in 2007. Since 2002, the blue bin program has meant substantial savings to the FCSWDD by diverting 40% of the waste going into the landfills during the summer months.

- The City received an Environmental Protection Agency award in 2007 for the rehabilitation of its water treatment plant, which will keep its system in compliance with new surface water treatment requirements.
- The water treatment system consists of a Water Treatment Plant, thirteen water wells, one booster station, and five reservoirs. The five reservoirs can store as much as five million gallons of water for reserves.
- The Water Treatment Plant operates during peak times of the year (May thru Sept.). Its design capacity is 4 million gallons per day. The average production during the summer peak usage is 3.5 million gallons per day.
- The water wells are located in various locations through out the City and at the Airport. Each well produces an average of 230 gallons per minute. These wells are used primarily in the off peak season (Oct. thru Apr.) when the average demand on the system is about 1.6 million gallons per day.

Wastewater Treatment and Collection

- The Riverton Wastewater Treatment Plant was designed to treat 4.9 million gallons of waste per day. At present, the incoming waste flow averages 1.8 million gallons per day.
- The plant was built in 1986 and has averaged 95% removal of the incoming pollutants each day. The by-product of the treatment process is class A Biosolids (sludge). The Biosolids are then sold to the public as a soil amendment for lawns and gardens. The last three years, the Wastewater Treatment Plant has sold an average of 250 cubic yards per year.

Water Collection and Distribution

- The Water Collection and Distribution Department is responsible for replacing curb stops, cleaning of sewer lines and manholes, sewer line and water line repairs, water meter installation and repairs, and reading in excess of 4,000 water meters each month for generation of utility bills, storm drain cleaning and maintenance, and maintenance of many miles of irrigation ditches

Sanitation: Solid Waste and Recycling

- Riverton Sanitation Department collects and transports residential and commercial solid waste, yard waste, as well as special pickups, roll-off container rental and handling, construction dumpster rental and handling, and dumpster delivery and pickup in city limits.
- Riverton is primarily served by the Sand Draw Landfill located 14 miles east of Riverton off of Gas Hill Road. The landfill is estimated to have a 20 year capacity. Potential expansion beyond the landfills existing 80 acres in the future will require a 20-year plan and additional funding sources.