

# ERIE EDITION

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## WATER CONSERVATION

### HOW ERIE PRESERVES THIS PRECIOUS RESOURCE

**C**onservation is an important component of the Town of Erie's Water Conservation Plan. During the heat of summer, we want to remind our residents of the variety of water conservation measures we have in place to achieve targeted savings and preserve this most precious resource.

#### VOLUNTARY WATERING RESTRICTIONS

Erie's demand management program has three levels to limit water usage. Level III calls for the highest amount of water savings and is only required in times of emergencies, whereas Level I and II encourage conservation and enforce water savings during a drought. The Town encourages voluntary compliance with Level I at all times. Level I permits lawn watering and drip irrigation twice per week.

**Track your water usage with a Water Consumption Tracker for \$105. To order, call 303-926-2700.**

#### FREE SPRINKLER INSPECTION

The Town has partnered with the Center for ReSource Conservation to provide FREE sprinkler inspections to residents from June-August. Inspections include customized watering schedule, learn do-it yourself maintenance and tips on how to improve efficiency. Space is limited and appointments will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

#### DO-IT-YOURSELF IRRIGATION AUDIT KIT

Thanks to the popularity of the irrigation audits provided over the past several years, the Town of Erie has Do-It-Yourself Irrigation Audit Kits available through the Department of Public Works.

#### NEW! INDOOR WATER INSPECTION PROGRAM

The Center for ReSource Conservation will offer an indoor water inspection program for residents. It includes evaluation of inside water use and water fixtures, and an offer to install at least two aerators and one low-flow showerhead. Inside water inspections are available March-May and September-December.

#### WASHING MACHINE REBATES

The 2012 High Efficiency Washing Machine Rebate Program provides 80 \$50 rebates available on a first-come, first-serve basis. One rebate per family account.

#### NORTHERN INTEGRATED SUPPLY PROJECT

NISP is a proposed water storage and distribution project that will supply 15 Northern Front Range water partners with 40,000 acres of new, reliable water supplies each year. NISP will allow us to store water currently leaving the state in wet years and make it available in dry years. Collectively, the NISP participants have reduced their water usage by more than 30% in the past 20 years. We do understand the need to conserve, but we also realize we must increase our storage capacity.

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**!** For more information, please visit the Water Conservation page at [www.erieco.gov](http://www.erieco.gov).



## BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Erie Board of Trustees meets the second and fourth Tuesdays of the month in the Town Hall boardroom located at 645 Holbrook Street. Contact the Board via email at [bot@erieco.gov](mailto:bot@erieco.gov) or through the Town Clerk's Office at 303-926-2731. The Trustees' individual email addresses and phone numbers are listed below:

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# MAKING IT HAPPEN!

## A LETTER FROM MAYOR JOE WILSON



In May of this year, Erie took a major leap forward to enhance our local economy. We studied and identified common threads among the few elite performing municipalities in economic development. Most of the biggest, most exciting retail projects realized anywhere began as a result of relationships built at the annual ICSC (international council of shopping centers) and RECon (Retail real estate convention), so that's where we set off to!



RECon ICSC 2012, is the world's largest gathering of franchisors, builders and retailers. Virtually every serious player (and a few sharp local governments) in the industry is there, making plans, deals and searching for fertile ground.

I was extremely proud of the staff, AJ Krieger, Fred Diehl and Trustee Gruber and Mayor Pro

Tem Grassi for doing a great job organizing logistics, putting in grueling hours and joining me in taking Erie's message of opportunity to the world!

I was also proud of how much more effective and technologically capable we were compared to many of the competing cities that attended. Our focus was keen and we had over a dozen strategic meetings with key national developers and retailers as a result of attendance. We have entered stage II of our follow up meetings to determine future actions with these new partners. Newly hired Erie team member, Jennifer Haskamp, specializes exclusively in economic development and was brought in specifically to grow these new opportunities into realities, benefitting our local economy and providing us all with more options for local goods and services. To get a taste of our outward bound message to the EcoDev community, go to our website, click the "Economic Development" button then activate the PREZI screen on the lower page and scroll through.

In Erie, we are committed to actively pursuing a better future for our citizens rather than just hoping it comes our way. Look for some great news in the year to come.

Have a terrific summer, my friends!

Mayor Joe Wilson

**TOWN OF ERIE COMPLETE PROPERTY TAX MILL LEVIES FOR 2012**  
 General Operating Funds: 7.288 (\$203.04\*) • Trails & Natural Areas Acquisition: 4.000 (\$111.44\*) • Erie Community Center Construction Bond: 5.858 (\$163.20\*) \*Example: If you own a home with an actual value of \$350,000, your total Town of Erie Mill Levy for 2012 would be \$477.68.



# 7TH ANNUAL FALL CLEAN-UP

## TWO GREAT WAYS TO GET RID OF UNWANTED HOUSEHOLD ITEMS

The Town of Erie Department of Public Works is partnering with Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley and the Front Range Landfill to assist residents in disposing of unwanted household items, building materials and yard waste during the 7th Annual Town of Erie Fall Clean-Up set for Saturday, September 8, 2012.

### DROP OFF UNWANTED ITEMS AND YARD WASTE AT FRONT RANGE LANDFILL:

The Front Range Landfill will accept large household items and yard waste. Hours of operation will be from 7:00am to 2:00pm. Residents may dispose of any large household items as well as tree limbs or other yard waste FREE OF CHARGE. The entrance to the Front Range Landfill is located on the east side of Weld County Rd 5 south of Weld County Rd 6. Residents must show either a Town of Erie water bill or driver's license with an Erie address as proof of residency.



located at 150 Bonnell Avenue in Erie. Hours of operation will be from 7:00am to 2:00pm on Saturday, September 8 only. The service center is located on the south side of Bonnell Ave approximately one half mile east of County Line Rd. Town of Erie Department of Public Works staff will be on site to assist residents with unloading items for donations. Residents must show either a Town of Erie water bill or driver's license with an Erie address as proof of residency. All donations must be clean, in working order and must be approved by Habitat for Humanity staff and are accepted at their discretion.

### Please note the following:

- All loads must be covered.
- All loads must be level with bed of the truck and/or trailer.
- Construction materials such as roofing shingles, concrete, and framing materials could be subject to charges.
- Items that will not be accepted include hazardous materials such as refrigerators, car batteries, tires, and paint.

### DONATE USED HOME SUPPLIES AND BUILDING MATERIALS TO HABITAT FOR HUMANITY:

Habitat for Humanity of the St. Vrain Valley will have a collection center set up at the Leon A. Wurl Service Center

### Below is a partial list of accepted items:

- Remodeling and Building Materials
- Furniture
- Lawn and Garden
- Wall Coverings
- Large and Small Appliances
- House Wares
- Window Hardware
- Heating and Cooling
- Sporting Goods
- Aluminum Cans
- Motor Vehicles
- Scrap Metal
- Ranch Supplies

To view Habitat for Humanity's complete Material Donation Overview, please visit [www.LongmontReStore.webs.com](http://www.LongmontReStore.webs.com).



## MOSQUITO CONTROL

The Town of Erie has contracted with Colorado Mosquito Control to provide the Town's mosquito surveillance and control activities for the 2012 season. Since May of this year, Colorado Mosquito Control has been identifying and monitoring potential mosquito breeding sites. When sites are found with mosquito larvae, technicians apply larvicides to control the mosquitoes before they become adults.

Colorado Mosquito Control will also provide any needed adult spraying services for the Town throughout the summer. Adult spraying needs will be based upon a combination of Public Health Department recommendations, residential complaints, adult mosquito population numbers and the season's potential West Nile virus activity. In advance of any general residential adult spraying applications, the town will provide public notice and Colorado Mosquito Control will contact any residents that have requested that they be notified.

Contact Colorado Mosquito Control to be notified prior to spraying operations in your neighborhood by being placed on their notification call list and/or shutoff list, and to report high levels of mosquito activity, standing water or to add any potential breeding sites on private property into the surveillance program.

**COLORADO MOSQUITO CONTROL: 303-558-8730**  
**TOLL-FREE COMMENT LINE: 877-276-4306**



### FIGHT THE BITE

The Town of Erie and public health officials would like to remind residents that this is the time of year when West Nile virus (WNV) activity can quickly increase. Therefore, residents are urged to take precautions to protect themselves by following the Four Ds:

- 1 Avoid the outdoors from **dusk to dawn**.
- 2 **Drain** standing water outside your home.
- 3 **Dress** in long sleeves and pants.
- 4 Use **Deet**-enhanced insect repellent.

**!** For more information on the Town of Erie Fall Clean-Up, please contact Raelynn Ferrera at [rferrera@erieco.gov](mailto:rferrera@erieco.gov) or 303-926-2880.

# 2012 UPCOMING EVENTS

## MOVIE IN THE PARK SERIES

Back for the 3rd year! Grab your blanket or lawn chair and head to the Erie Community Park! Movie will begin at dusk (around 8:30pm) Don't miss out on this great family event! Free Admission! Concessions will be sold. No alcohol or tents/canopies please. Check our website at [www.erieparksandrec.com](http://www.erieparksandrec.com).

**Dates:** Saturday, July 14  
**Location:** Erie Community Park  
**Time:** 7:30-10:00pm



## MIGHTY KIDS' TRIATHLON

Jump in the pool, hop on your bike, and tie up your running shoes for our 5th Annual Mighty Kids' Triathlon at the Erie Community Center and Park! Entry fee includes t-shirt, refreshments, goody bag, and award ceremony!

**Date:** Saturday, August 11  
**Location:** Erie Community Center  
**Time:** 8:00am

**AGE DIVISIONS**  
**Boys/Girls':** 5-6, 7-8, 9-10, 11-12

**DISTANCES**  
**Ages 5-8:** Swim (25 meters), Bike (1 mile), Run (1/2 mile)  
**Ages 9-12:** Swim (50 meters), Bike (2 miles), Run (1 mile)

REGISTER ONLINE OR AT THE ERIE COMMUNITY CENTER

This event sells out every year, so register early! Course maps and more information available at [www.erieco.gov/specialevents](http://www.erieco.gov/specialevents) or call 303-926-2550.

## 8TH ANNUAL CONCERT IN THE PARK SERIES

A DJ will warm up the crowd starting at 5:00pm with the main act taking the stage at 7:00pm. Come early and get a great seat! Free Admission! Concessions and beer/wine will be sold. No alcohol may be brought in. No tents/canopies please.

Back by popular demand, That Eighties Band is coming to rock Erie! Denver is home to That Eighties Band, one of the most popular 80's tribute bands in America. The group has performed at over 1,000 concerts, corporate events, and weddings!

**Date:** Saturday, July 28  
**Location:** Erie Community Park  
**Time:** 5:00-9:00pm



## NATIONAL NITE OUT TUESDAY, AUGUST 7

On Tuesday, August 7, 2012, the Town of Erie Police Department invites neighborhoods throughout Erie to join forces with thousands of communities nationwide to help celebrate National Nite Out.

### REGISTER YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD'S BLOCK PARTY TODAY!

Each year, approximately 40 Neighborhood Block Parties register with the Erie Police Department and participate in a variety of community events. Register today and an Erie Police Officer will be scheduled to visit your event.

**NATIONAL NITE OUT IS DESIGNED TO:** Have citizens become more aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and what impact citizens' participation can have on reducing crime, drugs, and violence within the community. Also to strengthen neighborhoods and police/community partnerships by sending a message to criminals that Erie's neighborhoods are organized in their efforts to prevent crime.

National Nite Out is sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, the Colorado Neighborhood Resource Center, The Erie Police Department, the Erie Community and Police Partnership, and Erie Neighborhood Watch.

Contact: Please Email Lee Mathis or call the Town of Erie Police Department at 303-926-2800.

**!** For information on all Erie Parks & Recreation programs and events, contact us at 303.926.2550 or visit the website at [www.erieparksandrec.com](http://www.erieparksandrec.com).