



KIOWA COUNTY: THE HIGH PLAINS OF SOUTHEAST COLORADO

One of the most important events in American History, the purchase of the Louisiana Territory in 1803, doubled the size of the United States. Included in this purchase was most of the Eastern half of Colorado including our present Kiowa County.

On the first day of August 1876, President Grant, issued a proclamation declaring Colorado admitted to the Union of States. Since it was the one hundredth anniversary of American Independence, Colorado was nicknamed the “Centennial State”.

At this time, Indians roamed the plains and big cattle and sheep ranches were prevalent on grassland that was free for the taking.

Governor Job A. Cooper, signed a bill creating the new county of KIOWA on April 11, 1889. The name, Kiowa, came from the Kiowa Indians who lived in the region where Kiowa County was established.

During the early settlement of Kiowa County, the naturally occurring Great Plains Reservoirs attracted Indians, settlers and trappers. The Indian named reservoirs include: Neesopah, meaning “Black Water”; Neegronda, meaning “Big Water”; Neenoshe, meaning “Standing Water”; and Neeskah, meaning “Queens Lake”. These recreational waters attract many people to this area today.

The early settlers arrived by covered wagon, horseback, foot and by train. The Pueblo and State Line Railroad, later purchased by the Missouri Pacific Railroad, played a large part in the development of Kiowa County. The major towns were located along its lines. The towns remaining today are as follows:

ARLINGTON is located at the western end of Kiowa County and was once a prosperous community. Little remains of it now but a post office and a few residences.

EADS, named after an engineer, was established in 1887 during the construction of the railroad. Eads is located in the approximate center of the county and has been the county seat since 1901.

CHIVINGTON, named after the famous Colonel John M. Chivington, was once the *real town* of Kiowa County. In 1864 volunteer troops of Colonel Chivington, a former minister, engaged in a bloody battle with the Indians camped along Sand Creek. This famous battle is known as the “Sand Creek Massacre”.

HASWELL, whose name is believed to have been chosen because the community has-a-well, was originally platted in 1908. Having the “NATION’S SMALLEST JAIL” gives Haswell a distinction no other U.S. city can claim.



BRANDON was established in the later part of 1887. In its early days, Brandon was quite a little town. It was the main trading spot for that area. But the depression and the Dust Bowl era of the “Dirty Thirties” took their toll on this community as well as the others in the county.

SHERIDAN LAKE was a thriving community even before the railroad was constructed. The town was named from a local body of water. The lake had gotten its name from the fact that General Phillip Sheridan of Civil War fame, camped on its shores when hunting buffalo.

TOWNER is the first town located in Kiowa County on the east end lying just two miles from the Colorado-Kansas state line. Local Historians believe the settlement was started as a camp for the railroad construction crew in 1887.

AGRICULTURAL RESOURCES

Kiowa County is located in the prairie lands of southeastern Colorado.

It is rectangular in shape, with Kansas as its eastern boundary. The county measures 78 miles long east to west and is 24 miles in width. Total land area is 1,148,160 acres or 1794 square miles. Elevation ranges from 3,800 feet above sea level in the southeast corner to 4,600 feet in the northwest.

Major drainages in the county are Adobe and Mustang Creeks which drain the western portion, Rush Creek and Sand Creek in the central portion and Wildhorse, Buffalo, and White Woman Creeks in the eastern portion. The drainages tend to be intermittent but Adobe, Rush and Sand Creeks have small continuous flows during wetter years.

Soils in Kiowa County are generally good, however precipitation is the limiting factor for agriculture. Climate is mild and semi-arid with average annual precipitation averaging from 12 inches in the west end to 16 inches at the eastern boundary. With good management, crop rotations and conservation tillage, farming can be very productive. Fieldwork by USDA for Kiowa County soil survey was mostly completed in 1976-77.

Agricultural land is 60% (660,000 acres) cultivated and 40% (450,000 acres) range land for grazing. Approximately 6,000 acres of the cultivated land are irrigated from wells. Cultivated acres generally fall in two classes of soil, sandy and loam. Sandy land has traditionally been planted to continuous cropped grain sorghum and forage sorghum while the loamy soils have been planted to winter wheat in a summer-fallow rotation.

In recent years a substantial increase in acreages of oil type sunflower seed and dryland corn has been occurring. Millet (90% for grain) is also a minor crop in the county.

Currently 30% (205,000 acres) of the cultivated land in Kiowa County is planted to grass under the Department of Agriculture's Conservation Reserve Program. This CRP land is under a 10-year contract to remain in permanent vegetative cover. Most contracts expire in 2007 and 2008.

Private livestock operations are almost entirely beef cattle. Cow / calf and stocker operations (35,000 head) are common. Livestock sales are mainly handled by sale barns in La Junta and Burlington, Colorado. Newsham Hybrids Inc. operates a major commercial breeding and confined swine operation in Kiowa County and a feed mill in Brandon.



Agri-business enterprises in Kiowa County involve grain elevators in Haswell, Eads, Brandon, Sheridan Lake and Towner. Commercial agricultural chemical applicators, fuel suppliers, and parts stores are located throughout the county. Over 2,000,000 bushels of commercial and 5,000,000 bushels of on farm grain storage is available in the county.

Implement dealers and farm & ranch suppliers are located in nearby towns within an hour drive.

Complete details on crops, soils, climate,

water supply, physiographic, relief and drainage, and copies of soil surveys are available from the USDA Service Center in Eads.

CLIMATE AND GEOGRAPHY

January Average High	23.0° F
July Average High	90.0° F
Annual Precipitation	14. In.
Annual Snowfall	20.0 In.
Elevation	4,300 Ft.
Area	1,785.9 Sq mi

WILDLIFE RESOURCES

Kiowa County is situated in the eastern Great Plains of Colorado. There are 7 irrigation reservoirs within Kiowa County. When full, the lakes have a combined surface area of 23 square miles (14,645 acres) and 58 miles of shoreline. Six of the seven reservoirs are in a cluster called the Great Plains Reservoirs situated 12 miles south of Eads. Adobe Creek Reservoir (Blue Lake) is situated 15 miles south of Haswell in the western part of the county. These reservoirs offer warm water fishing, water sports and waterfowl hunting. Bird watchers enjoy the wide variety of waterfowl, shore birds, prairie songbirds and raptors.

WATCHABLE WILDLIFE

The least tern, piping plover, mountain plover, snowy plover, lesser prairie chickens and burrowing owls are threatened or endangered species which are found in various habitats in the county. Bald and golden eagles and the largest wintering population of lesser snow geese in Colorado are found on the reservoirs. Canadian geese and other waterfowl also winter in the area. Lesser sandhill cranes are fall and spring visitors.



HUNTING

Although most hunting in Kiowa County is on private land where permission is required, hunters have public access to a management area administered by the Colorado Division of Wildlife around the Great Plains Reservoirs. Hunting for snow and Canadian geese in the management area is available on a first come first serve basis. Each year the Division of Wildlife digs hunting pits in the field for decoy hunting and around the lakes for firing lines.

Healthy populations of mule deer, white tailed deer and antelope are found throughout the county. Upland game includes pheasant, scaled quail, morning dove, cottontail and jack rabbits.

Furbearers include coyote, badger, skunk, red fox and swift fox.

FISHING

Area reservoirs are excellent warm water fisheries. Wiper, saugeye, walleye, crappie, channel catfish, largemouth bass, bullhead, drum and carp are abundant. Fish of 5 pounds and up are common. Public access exists on Adobe Creek (Blue Lake), Neegronda, Neenoshe, Neeskah (upper Queens and lower Queens) Reservoirs. Neesopah (Sweetwater and Jet Lake) are surrounded by privately held land. Boating is permitted on all lakes with public access except during the

waterfowl hunting seasons. There are no marinas for boating supplies or fuel.

CAMPING

Unimproved camping is available without fee on all lakes with public access. There is one private campground (Cottonwood Park) on the north side of Neegronda Reservoir. Cottonwood Park has water, shower and bathroom facilities and limited electrical hookups. Public toilets are available at Adobe, Neenoshe, Neegronda, and Neeskah.

NATURAL RESOURCES

Oil and gas production are important enterprises in various areas throughout the county. Approximately 73 oil wells and 55 natural gas wells are in current production. Leasing of surface, subsurface and mineral rights for oil and gas exploration provides significant income for some landowners. Colorado Interstate Gas has major natural gas transmission pipelines crossing the county and there is a pumping substation located 13 miles north of Eads along U.S. Highway 287.

The only mining activities in the area provide limestone and gravel from quarries operated by the county. Limestone is crushed and hauled as road base for unpaved roads. Aggregate for concrete is available along the Arkansas River approximately 25 miles south of Kiowa County.

Irrigation water is limited and comes from wells. The main aquifer in Kiowa County is located in the alluvium of Rush and Big Sandy Creeks. In the southeastern corner of the county, a few wells are tapping the Ogallala Formation. The water table in this area varies and expansion for irrigation is regulated.

Kiowa County does have approximately 14,645 surface acres of irrigation storage in three reservoirs which are enhanced natural reservoirs filled through a canal system from the Arkansas River. None of this water is used to irrigate Kiowa county land. All water from these reservoirs flows south to adjoining counties for irrigation.

Water sources for livestock grazing are available in the county. Water is pumped mostly using windmills and, submergible pumps where electricity is available. Buried water pipelines are used in many locations to distribute water from wells to outlying pastures.

RESERVOIRS BASED ON ESTIMATED HIGH WATER LINE

LAKE NAME	SURFACE ACRES	SQUARE MILES	SHORE MILES
Mud Lake	250	.39	2.5
NeeGronda	2700	4.22	8.8
NeeNoshe	3200	5.00	10.2
Neeskah (Upper & Lower Queens)	1000	1.56	5.2
Neespah (Sweetwater & Jet)	425	.66	3.2
Neespah (Sweetwater & Jet)	900	1.41	6.25
Adobe Creek	950	1.48	5.91
Adobe Creek	9425	14.72	42.06
Total All Reservoirs	14645	22.88	58.06

INTERSTATE HIGHWAYS

I-70: 60 miles north
 I-25: 90 miles west
 Other Major Highways in the Area: U.S. Highway 287, U.S. 50, Colorado Highway 96, U.S. Highway 50, U.S. Highway 385

Highway distance to Cities:

To: **Lamar**
 From Sheridan Lake: 41 miles
 From Eads: 36 miles
 From Haswell: 56 miles

To: **LaJunta**
 From Sheridan Lake: 94 miles
 From Eads: 66 miles
 From Haswell: 45 miles

To: **Pueblo**
 From Sheridan Lake: 149 miles
 From Eads: 121 miles
 From Haswell: 90 miles

To: **Co Springs**
 From Sheridan Lake: 158 miles
 From Eads: 130 miles
 From Haswell: 130 miles

To: **Denver**
 From Sheridan Lake: 193 miles
 From Eads: 165 miles
 From Haswell: 168 miles

PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION

Kiowa County Transit
 Kiowa County Commissioners
 PO Box 100
 Eads, CO 81036
 (719) 438-5810

AIR TRANSPORTATION

Eads Municipal Airport
 37850 U.S. Highway 96
 Eads, CO 81036
 (719) 438-5590
 Located 1 mile west of Eads
 Services: 9 privately owned hangars,
 3 tie-down spots - no charge.
 Lighted wind sock
 Radio: CTAF 122.9
 Elev: 4,245 Feet
 Lights: LIRL
 Lat: N38°28.50 Long: W102°48.53
 Approaches: CATF 122.9
 Runway: 17/35 3860x60-A

Noise/Landing Procedures:
5000 MSL all aircraft.
Airport Services: No fuel, unattended.
Phone for local calls
on South side of East
Hanger.
Transportation: None
Other: Industrial Park

Miles to nearest commercial airport:
36 to Lamar, 130 to Colorado Springs

Lamar Municipal Airport

Lamar, CO 81052
(719) 336-7701
RY 35 threshold lights 95feet from runway
end. Agricultural operations on and in
vicinity of airport. Public phone located
near tiedowns and south hangar.
Den FSS 122.1R, 116.9T.



TRUCK & TRANSPORT

Tri County

C/O Jeff Uhland
37450 Hwy 96
PO Box 394
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5666

Weber Water Service

PO Box 1232
Sheridan Lake, Co 81071
(719) 729-3583

Don & Sally Butler

6100 County Road 78
PO Box 394
Towner, CO 81071-9615
(719) 727-5500

Ron Bohrer

Box 2
Haswell, CO 81045
(719) 436-2255

Larry Tuttle

13565 County Road 78
Towner, CO 81071-9706
(719) 727-5300

Butch Robertson, H-B Trucking

17999 County Road 50
Chivington, CO 81036-9707
(719) 729-3542

Tom Swopes

21885 County Road 50
Chivington, CO 81036-9707
(719) 729-3542

Brian Berggrens, Berggrens Ag Service

78180 Hwy 96
Towner, CO 81071-9613

Saffer Spray Service

PO Box 171
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5346

Kirk Barlow

PO Box 435
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-2222

DJ Nelson

PO Box 348
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5857
(719) 892-0167 (cell)

Eads Ready Mix

PO Box 435
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5589

Newsham Hybrids

c/o Mark Engle, CEO
316 N. Tejon St.
Colorado Springs, CO 80903
(719) 630-3200

RAIL TRANSPORTATION

A shortline operator, the Colorado Kansas & Pacific Railway, leases the rail line from Towner at the East End of Kiowa County to North Avondale Junction west of Boone, CO. The line is owned by the State of Colorado. CK&P is a major transporter of Southeast Colorado grain products.

REGIONAL OFFICIALS

U.S. Senators (Party): Sen. Wayne Allard (R), Sen. Ben Nighthorse Campbell (R)
U.S. Representatives (Party-District) :
Rep. Bob Schaffer (R-4)
State Senators: Rep. Mark Hillman (R-2)
State Representative: Brad Young (R-63)
Regional Contact: Southeast Colorado Enterprise Development, Jan Anderson (719) 336-3850
Dept. of Local Affairs Contact:
Lee Merkel (719) 544-6577

KIOWA COUNTY GOVERNMENT 2002

Mailing Address: PO Box 100
Eads, Co 81036
County Structure: Board of three County Commissioners with an appointed Administrative Assistant.
County Commissioners: Rod Brown
Vern Harris
Dutch Eikenberg
Phone: (719) 438-5810
Fax: (719) 438-5327
E-mail: kiowacty@ria.net

Administrative Assistant: Karen Krueger
(719) 438-5810

Attorney: Wendy Shinn
PO Box 390
Assessor: Penny Weirich
(719) 438-5521
Clerk & Recorder: Betty V. Crow
Fax: (719) 438-5327
Treasurer: Steve K. Baxter
(719) 438-5831
Coroner: John C. Hadley
(719) 438-2251
County Court Judge: Gary Davis
(719) 438-5531
District Court Judge: Stan Brinkley
Phone: (719) 438-5558
CSU Extension Office: Bruce Fickenscher
Phone: (719) 438-5321
Civil Defense
Director: Danny Christie
Phone: (719) 538-2288
Sheriff: Gary Rehm
Phone: (719) 438-5411
Social Services (719) 438-5541



SERVICES & UTILITIES

FIRE PROTECTION – 2002

Fire Marshall: Danny Christie
Phone: (719) 438-5400
Volunteers: 18
Equipment: 1 pump & roll truck, 1 forest Service truck, 1 water truck, 1 4x4 grass fire truck, 1 4x4

rescue truck with extrication
equipment, 1 4x4 utility
transport

kiowacountycolo.com
Kiowa County Dedicated Website
kcedf@kiowacountycolo.com

ELECTRIC

Southeast Colorado Power Association
901 West 3rd
LaJunta, CO 80150
(719) 384-2551
Service Area: All of Kiowa County
excluding an area at Towner.
Capacity: 25 mega watts
Active Customers: 600

LANDFILL

Collectia, LTD.
PO Box 492
Ulysses, KS 67880
(316) 356-4836

Contact Kiowa County Commissioners
for Landfill information at (719) 438-
5810.

TELEPHONE

Eastern Slope Rural Telephone Assn.
PO Box 397
Hugo, CO 80821
(719) 743-2441
Service Area: Eads and Haswell areas.

Sunflower Telephone Company
PO Box 236
Tribune, KS 67879
(316) 376-4444
Service Area: Sheridan Lake and
Towner areas.

MEDIA AND COMMUNICATIONS

Kiowa County Press
PO Box 248
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5800

**KIOWA COUNTY
DEMOGRAPHICS**

Per Capita Income

	1997	1998	1999
Kiowa Cnty	\$29,124	\$34,265	\$34,822
Colorado	\$27,951	\$29,856	\$31,533

2000 Property Taxes for Kiowa County

Mill Levy	42.733
Assessed Value	\$ 25,126,840
Property Tax Revenues	\$ 1,243,972
Current Assets (all funds)	\$ 4,104,491
Current Liabilities (all funds)	\$ 57,255

2000 Auxiliary Data

Population	1,622
Vehicle Registrations	1,215
Retail Sales (K\$)	\$13,101
State Sales Tax Paid	\$114,724

KIOWA COUNTY EDUCATION

Eads RE-1

Number of Students: 296
Number of Schools: 3
Number of Teachers: 24
Student/Teacher: 12.6
Graduation Rate: 99.0%

Plainview RE-2

Number of Students: 83
Number of Schools: 2
Number of Teachers: 12
Student/Teacher: 6.9
Graduation Rate: 100.0%

Nearest Four-Year College: University of
Southern Colorado – Pueblo

Nearest Community Colleges: Lamar
Junior College – Lamar, Otero Junior College –
La Junta

HASWELL TOWN GOVERNMENT - 2002

Address: PO Box 70
Haswell, CO 81045
Phone: (719) 438-5810
Mayor: Delcarl (Dutch) Eikenberg
Council: Greg Miller
Donald Oswald
Sarah Peil
Pam Lessenden
Mickey Peil
Floyd Cordova
Town Clerk: Sharon Pearson
Certified Water
Technician: Van Brown, Jr.
Water
Superintendent: James Englehardt
Fire Chief: James Englehardt

SERVICES & UTILITIES

PROPANE GAS

Haswell Propane
40 Hwy 96 East
PO Box 151
Haswell, CO 81045
(719) 436-2301

FIRE PROTECTION – 2002

Fire Chief: James Englehardt
Volunteers: 8
Equipment: 2 trucks, 1 rescue truck

LANDFILL

Landfill Location:
Haswell; 1 mile south of town on County
Road 19.5.

WATER UTILITY – 2002

Provider: Town of Haswell
Address: P.O. Box 40
Phone: (719) 436-2233
Contact: Town Clerk, Certified
Operator
Capacity: 178,000 G.P.D.
Residential Rates: \$13.00 per month +
\$1.00 per thousand over 4000 gallons.
Out of City Limits: \$13.00 per month +
a set peroration.
Stock Water: \$1.00 per thousand gallons.
Meter Deposit: \$50.00 (Refundable when
moving)
Meter Hook-ups: \$75.00 per Meter
Commercial Rates: Same as residential
Tap Fees: \$150.00
5/8-Inch Connections: Almost all lines.

Treatment Process:

1. Screening
2. Presedimentation
3. Chemical Dosing
4. Prechlorination
5. Coagulation
6. Flocculation
7. Clarification
8. Filtration
9. Post Chlorination

Water Production

Infiltration Plant (Ground Water) .29 MGD
*/MGD – Million Gallons Per Day

EADS TOWN GOVERNMENT – 2002

Address: PO Box 8
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5590
Mayor: Larry Michael
Council: John Philpy, Dean Loukonen,
Jan King, Daryll Adamson, Dorie
Musgrave
Fax: (719) 438-5652
Town Clerk: Dawna Peck
City Manager: Van Brown, Jr.
Fire Chief: Casey Sheridan

SERVICES & UTILITIES

LAW ENFORCEMENT– 2002

Emergencies Dial 911

Sheriff: Gary Rehm
1305 Goff St
PO Box 427
Eads, CO 81036
Phone: (719) 438-5411
Fax: (719) 438-2205
Employees: 1-Sheriff, 2-Deputies,
1-Office Clerk
Vehicles: 4

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Senior Patrol Officer: Chad W. Ray
110 W. 13
Eads, CO 81036
Phone: (719) 438-5590
Fax: (719) 438-5652
Employees: 1- Senior Patrol Officer

HEALTH SERVICES

Weisbrod Memorial Hospital and Nursing Home

1208 Luther
Eads, Co 81036
(719) 438-5401
Administrator: James Murphy
Patient Capacity: 8
Nursing Home
Resident Capacity: 34
Employees: 77

Eads Medical Clinic

1211 Luther
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-2251

Kiowa Home Health

210 W. 12th Street
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5765
Director: Connie Richardson
Nursing care services & home making

Services. Home Health Aides, skilled
Nursing Services. Physical, Speech &
Occupational Therapy.

Dental Wellness Clinic

Mark Seward, DDS
1213 Main
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5626

Reedy Dental Hygiene

1213 Main
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5893
Joyce Reedy

Kiowa County Health Nurse

Laverle Kelley
1206 Luther
Eads, CO 81036
(719) 438-5782

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Ambulances: 3
EMT's: 10

FIRE PROTECTION - 2002

Fire Chief: Jay Haase
Phone: (719) 438-5590
Volunteers: 13
Equipment: 2 trucks-pump & roll

WATER

Provider: Town of Eads
Contact: Dawna Peck
PO Box 8
Eads, CO 81036
Phone: (719)438-5590
Plant Manager: Van Brown
Capacity: 1MGD
Avg. Demand: .15 MGD
Peak Demand: .72 MGD, .50 MGD Summer
Commercial Rates: Up to 3,000 gal - \$12.50 /
month, \$.95 per thousand gallons after that.

Residential Rates: Same as commercial
 Hardness: 480 ave
 Fluoride: 1.5 ppm natural
 Tap Fees: \$200
 Material & Inspection for any size line is paid after installation cost is known.
 Treatment Processes: Chlorination
 Corrosion Control Program
 Water Production: 4 wells northeast of Eads 1 MGD, 2 back up wells in Eads (.2 MGD)
 Number of Connections:

<u>Inside City Limits</u>	<u>Outside City Limits</u>
Residential Units	
332	25
Non Residential Units	
66	9

SEWER

Provider: *Town of Eads*
 Contact: Van H. Brown, Jr.
 PO Box 8
 Eads, CO 81036
 Phone: (719) 438-5590
 Max. Daily Capacity: .150 MGD
 Avg. Daily Capacity: .073 MGD
 Avg. Flow treated: .065 MGD
 Peak Flow treated: .090 MGD
 Seasonal discharge of effluent
 Equipment- Aeration Equipment C/2
 Population Served: 900
 Health Department Classification: D
 Tap Fees: \$100
 Fees: Within City Limits: \$8.50/month
 Outside City Limits: \$8.50/month
 Inspection furnished by Town.

<u>Inside Corporate Limits</u>	
Residential Units:	332
Non-residential Units:	66

<u>Outside Corporate Limits</u>	
Residential Units:	9
Non-residential Units:	2
100 % of residents served by system.	

NATURAL GAS

Greeley Gas Company
 Residential and commercial
 P.O. Box 650732
 Dallas, Tx 75265-0732
 (719) 336-4318 or (888) 442-1313
 Rates available upon request.
 Areas of service: Eads and Brandon.
 Service Center in Lamar.

PROPANE GAS

Eads Consumer Supply
 500 E. 15th
 PO Box 98
 Eads, CO 81036
 (719) 438-2201

TRASH SERVICE

Provider: *Collectia, LTD.*
 PO Box 492
 Ulysses, Ks 67880
 (316) 356-4836

**SHERIDAN LAKE TOWN
 GOVERNMENT – 2002**

Address: PO Box 1254
 Sheridan Lake, CO 81071
 (719) 729-3519
 Mayor: Jerry Weber
 Council: Tim Harris
 Town Clerk: Wilma Eitel

SERVICES & UTILITIES

WATER

Provider: Sheridan Lake Water Company
 Contact: Merle Shalberg
 15555 Road 67
 Sheridan Lake, CO 81071
 Phone: (719) 729-3548
 Operator: Van Brown

Capacity: .216 MGD*
Commercial Rates: \$26.00 min.-1st 20,000 gal.
\$1.00 per thousand gallons after that.
Residential Rates: Same as commercial
Fluoride: 1.7 ppm natural
Tap Fees: \$750 plus material
Material & Inspection for any size line is
paid after installation cost is known.
Treatment Processes: Chlorination
Corrosion Control Program-Chlorination
Water Production: 1 well 10 miles
northwest of Sheridan Lake-.216 MGD,
1 back up well 5 miles northwest of
Sheridan Lake-.150 MGD

Number of Connections:
Residential Units - 52

FIRE PROTECTION – 2002

Sheridan Lake

Fire Chief: Vernon Harris
Phone: (719) 729-3400
Volunteers: 10
Equipment: 1 pumper truck, 1 grass
fire
truck

Towner

Fire Chief: Robert Hopkins
Volunteers: 11

AMBULANCE SERVICE

Sheridan Lake / Towner

Ambulances: 2
EMT's: 4

ELECTRIC

Eastern Colorado Utility Co.
Residential and commercial
58801 E. Hwy 36
Strasburg, CO 80136
(303) 662-4220

Rates available upon request.
Areas of availability: Sheridan Lake
and the area northeast.

Wheatland Electric

PO Box 230
Scott City, KS 67871
(316) 872-5885
Service area: 1/8 miles west of Towner,
½ mile south of Towner, the Town of Towner.
Power Production: Sunflower Electric
Company
Rate Schedule: Available upon
Request.

PROPANE GAS

Kiowa Oil

PO Box 1327
Sheridan Lake, CO 81071
(719) 529-3319

SPORTS - ACTIVITIES - EVENTS

T Ball, Softball & Baseball

Boys and Girls
Ages: 4-6
Ages: 4-19
Contact Diane Crow (719) 438-5805

***Aerobics and Floor Exercises**

Location: Court House Basement
Time: 5:00 PM
Monday, Wednesday & Thursday, Labor
Day through Memorial Day
Monday & Wednesday, Memorial Day
through Labor Day.
*There is not a fee at this time. Contact Joan
Hawkins (719) 729-3525

Summer Reading Program & Book Mobile

Contact: Sharon Johnson (719) 438-5581

Kiowa County Fair: Rodeo, barbeque,
parade & dances
When: 2nd week in September
Where: Kiowa County Fairgrounds
Phone: (719) 438-5321

4th of July Celebration

Eads: Fireworks display at the
Kiowa County Fairgrounds
Sheridan Lake: Parade, barbeque, fireworks
display.

Southeast Colorado Bass Tournament

When: 2nd weekend in June
Contact: Max Owens (719) 438-5812
Rod Johnson (719) 438-5722

Eads Chamber Fishing Tournament

When: 1st weekend in June
Contact: Jerry Frederick
(719) 438-5760

Masonic Lodge Annual Barbeque

When: 1st Saturday in May
Where: Community Building in Eads
Time: 6:30 PM
Phone: (719) 548-5449

Little Britches Rodeo

Calf roping, breakaway roping, team roping,
dally ribbon roping, barrel racing, pole
bending, trail course, goat tying,
bull-dogging, bareback riding, saddlebronc
riding, bull riding.

Divisions: Junior ages 8-13
Senior ages 14-18

Entry Fees: \$10.00 per event
\$7.50 Insurance

When: June
Contact: Lori or Monte Richardson
(719) 438-5397

Junior Olympic Wrestling

When: 3rd Saturday in March
Where: Eads High School
Entry Fee: \$6.00
Ages: 4 through Junior High
Contact: Doug Uhland (719) 438-5679

Demolition Derby

When: 2nd Sunday in September
Where: Kiowa County Fairgrounds
Entry Fee: \$50.00
Admission Fee: Adults \$4.00
Children \$2.00
Phone: (719) 438-5321

Annual Road Rally

When: October
Where: The County Seat
Entry Fee: \$20.00 per team
(2 people per vehicle)
Time: 11:00 AM
Contact: Linda at The County Seat
(719) 438-9984
Scavenger hunt, prizes, raffle & dinner

Art in the Park

Contact: Sandy Jones
(719) 438-5583

4-H Exhibit Day

When: 1st Monday in August
Where: On a rotating basis between
Kiowa Community Building
and the Plainview School

Lion's Club Bingo and Hamburger Fry

When: April
Where: Kiowa Community Building
Contact: Mike McCloud
(719) 438-5658

Chamber of Commerce Carnival

Games, booths & prizes
When: Early April
Time: 7pm-9pm
Where: Eads Community Building
Phone: (719) 548-5449

Chamber of Commerce Christmas Celebration

Lighting of the Christmas lights, Santa Claus,
Chili supper by Fire Department and EMT's
When: December
Where: Eads

Bowling Tournaments

When: Spring and Fall
Where: Kiowa Albright Hall in Sheridan Lake
Phone: (719) 729-3502

Annual Eads Lion's Club Auction

When: April
Contact: Mike McCloud
Where: Fairgrounds
Phone: (719) 438-5658

Weisbrod Hospital and Nursing Home Auxiliary Annual Fall Bazaar

When: November
Where: Community Building in Eads
Phone: (719) 548-5449

RECREATION FACILITIES

Eads Swimming Pool

Open Memorial Day until school starts.
Swimming lessons available
Call to reserve pool for private parties
(719) 438-5513

Central Kiowa Recreation District

Supervised Gymnasium, basketball & weightlifting available during the summer.
Contact Elaine Lindholm in Eads at
(719) 438-5849

West Kiowa Recreation District

For information call:
Barbara Stavely (719) 4362294

Sheridan Lake, Towner Recreation District

For information call:
Fannie Murdock (719) 729-3532

Horseshoes, Tennis Courts

For information call:
KCEDF (719) 438-2200

Kiowa Albright Center

Bowling, games, pool tables
Located in Sheridan Lake (719) 729-3502

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

American Legion

For information call:
Bill Woelk (719) 438-5382

Baby Bear Hugs Volunteer Meeting

When: 3rd Thursday
Time: 4:30 PM
Advisory Board meeting
When: 3rd Friday
Time: 12:00 PM
Contact: Carol Spady
Phone: (719) 438-5782

Chamber of Commerce – Eads

(719) 438-5590
PO Box 169
Eads, CO 81036

Haswell Recreation

Co-sponsors dances and community suppers,
supervised gymnasium
Contact: Barb Stavely, President
Phone: (719) 436-2294

Share Colorado Food Distribution

Food distributed monthly
Contact: Marsha Myers
Phone: (719) 438-5451

Crow-Luther Arts Center

For information call:
David Gray (719) 438-2218
Ty Valentine (719) 438-2214

Eads Golf and Country Club

Privately owned course, open to the public.

Eads Senior Citizen Center

Ceramics Mondays and Tuesdays all day,
Meals on Wheels, Quilting 2nd Tuesday each
month, Cards on Monday nights.
(719) 438-5678

Eagle Booster Club

For information call Marilyn Baxter
(719) 438-3499

Kings Daughters

Women of Sheridan Lake Bible Church
When: 3rd Thursday each month
For information call (719) 729-3499

Kiowa County 4-H Council

When: 3rd Sunday each month
Phone: (719) 438-5321

Lions Club

Meetings 1st and 3rd Tuesday each month,
Bingo 2nd Thursday each month 7:00 PM
Contact: Mike McCloud
Phone: (719) 438-5658

Masonic Lodge

Meetings September through May
When: 1st and 3rd Thursday each
Month
Contact: Dave Crow
Phone: (719) 438-5805

Hunter Education Range & Mixed Bag Club

Trap, 3D Archery, Pistols, Rifle and Sporting
Clays. Trap shooting league March
through September.
Contact: Rod Johnson (719) 438-5722
Marty Miller (719) 438-5720

Progressive Club

For information call Hazel Krueger
(719) 438-5715

Rebekahs

When: 2nd and 4th Tuesday monthly
Where: Odd Fellows Hall
Time: Summer 8:00 PM, Winter
7:00 PM
Contact: Fay Barber (719) 438-5385

**Senior Citizens-Brandon, Towner,
Sheridan Lake**

When: 1st Monday Pot Luck dinner
Where: Community Hall
Time: 12:00 PM
Ceramics every Monday 9:00AM – 4:00PM

Shriners

Dinner meeting and program
When: Last Saturday each month
Time: 6:30 PM

For more information call Ray Aldridge at
(719) 438-5887

**Weisbrod Hospital and Nursing Home
Auxiliary**

When: 3rd Tuesday each month
For more information call Alice Weil,
resident (719) 438-5498

West End Golden Age Seniors

When: 1st Wednesday each month
What: Business meeting supper
Wanda Lessenden, Director (719) 436-2359

WIFE (Women In Farm Economics)

When: 2nd Tuesday each month
What: Supports farm economics
Contact Kathy Burrows (719) 727-4025

