



**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
OFFICE OF THE CITY MANAGER
April 30, 2009**

Reduce Fuel Bills – Be More Comfortable

Steamboat Springs, Colorado—The City of Steamboat Springs would like to inform the community of the Northwest Colorado Council of Governments' (NWCCOG) Energy Management Program.

This program, also known as Weatherization, weatherizes homes for low and moderate income households to reduce their fuel consumption and heating costs. Weatherization services include caulking, weatherstripping, insulation, furnace tune-ups, and the installation of storm windows, and new energy-efficient furnaces and refrigerators. The weatherization process also corrects any health and safety problems found such as gas leaks and carbon monoxide problems. Every home that uses propane or natural gas receives a minimum of two safety inspections.

If your income is at or below the guidelines listed below, the NWCCOG Energy Management Program can do this work on your house or mobile home FREE OF CHARGE.

Household Size	Income
1	\$18,889
2	\$25,327
3	\$31,765
4	\$38,203
5	\$44,641
6	\$51,079

If you receive LEAP, TANF, OAP, or SSI, you automatically qualify for NWCCOG's Weatherization services.

The improvements will be made by NWCCOG Weatherization Specialists through federal and state grant monies. Funds available to weatherize homes in Routt County in 2009 are significantly greater than in past years.

If you are interested in finding out more about this program, please call 1-800-332-3669.

###

Contact Information:

Nancy Engelken, Affordable Housing Coordinator
or nengelken@steamboatsprings.net

(970) 871-8253

137 10th Street, P.O. Box 775088, Steamboat Springs, Colorado 80477
(970) 879-2060 – Fax (970)879-8851 – www.steamboatsprings.net