For release: August 13, 2013

Contact:
STACEY JOHNSON
Communication Services Specialist
Direct: 720-874-6545
Mobile: 303-903-1778
E-mail: sjohnson2@arapahoegov.com

Arapahoe County approves permit for oil and gas pipeline

County Commissioners approve construction of Front Range Pipeline through Arapahoe County

Littleton, Colo.—On Tuesday, the Arapahoe County Board of County Commissioners unanimously approved a land-use permit allowing the construction of a portion of the natural gas pipeline in Arapahoe County to transport natural gas liquids from Weld County to Texas.

The Commissioners approved the Use by Special Review permit subject to 19 conditions, some of which include the hours of operation, settlement of an easement agreement, a maintenance agreement for private roads impacted and assurance that construction will only take place where homeowners have signed an easement.

Front Range Pipeline, LLC — a partnership between Anadarko Petroleum, Enterprise Products Partners and Denver-based DCP Midstream — has already received approval for construction of the 435-mile pipeline from Weld County, Elbert and El Paso County.

“The Front Range Pipeline is important to the continued growth and prosperity of Colorado’s economy. Pipelines create jobs, infrastructure and tax revenue, and are a safe alternative for transporting energy resources,” said Arapahoe County Commissioner Nancy Sharpe.

The Front Range Pipeline originates in Weld County, just east of Greeley and cuts through Arapahoe County for 13 miles along Manila Road. Easements have been signed by most homeowners in Arapahoe County impacted by the construction of the pipeline. All properties in the construction area are zoned A-1 (agriculture).

Once the pipeline passes through Arapahoe County it will continue southeast until it reaches Skellytown, Texas where it will be sent on to refineries. The pipeline is 16 inches in diameter and can carry an average of 150,000 barrels of liquid per day, but can accommodate up to 230,000 barrels daily. The pipeline is designed to carry natural gas liquids, including butane, propane and ethane.

Construction of the pipeline will begin in the next month. The expected completion date for the pipeline is sometime within the fourth quarter of this year.

###