

NEWS RELEASE

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Title: Campbell County and the Wyoming Department of Transportation Kick-Off the Campbell County Coal Belt Transportation Study

Begin News Release:

Campbell County, in conjunction with the Wyoming Department of Transportation (WYDOT), has begun a transportation study within the coal production regions of Campbell County. The study will be conducted by Kadrmass, Lee & Jackson of Gillette, WY and developed under the guidance of a Steering Committee represented by Campbell County, WYDOT and the Federal Highway Administration.

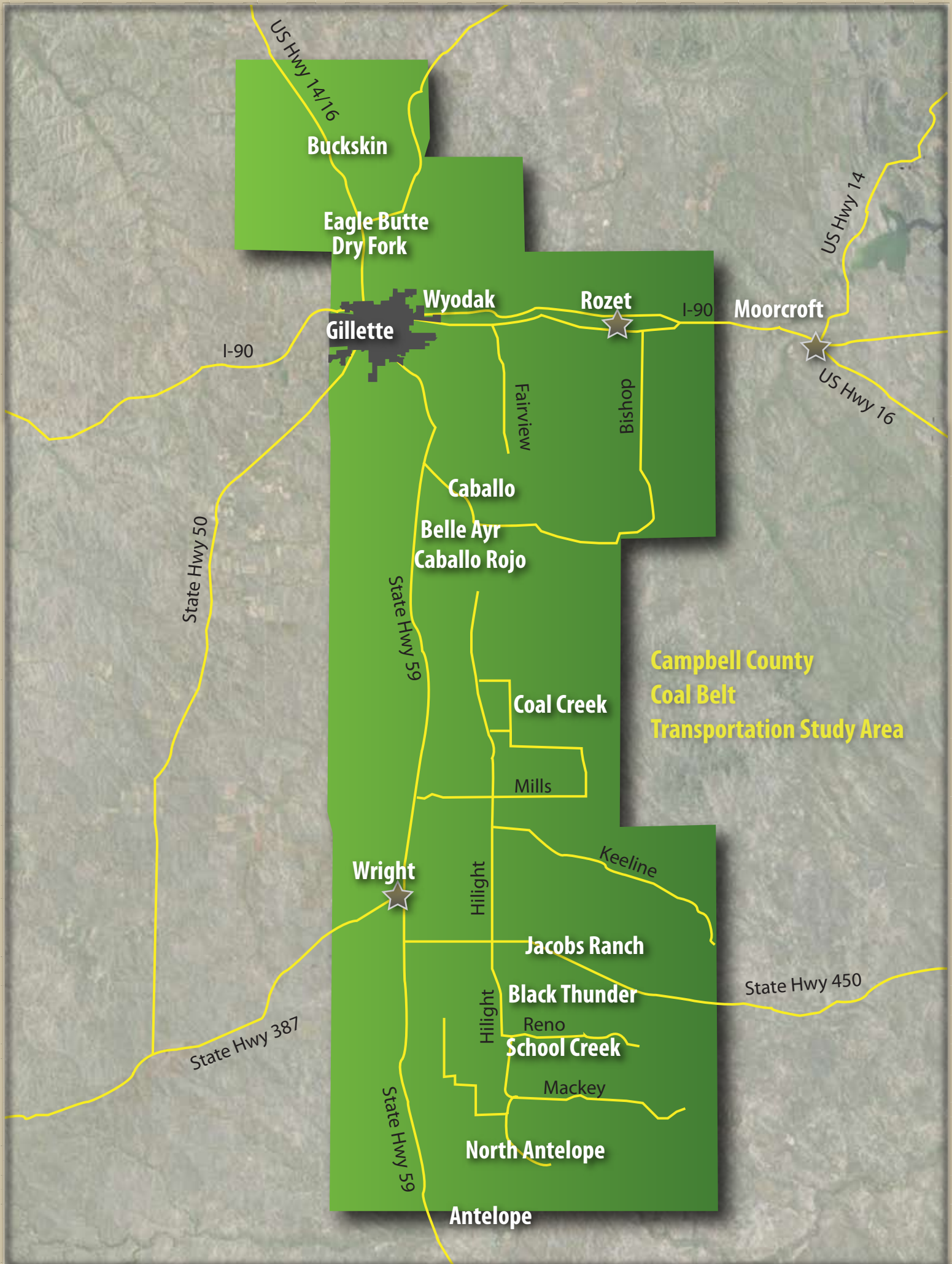
The study area for this project spans through Campbell County's primary coal, oil and gas production areas. It starts approximately 13 miles north of Gillette and extends approximately 48 miles south of Gillette and contains a varying east to west width of 18 to 24 miles. It's comprised of 36 townships and encompasses approximately 1,300 square miles. The area within the City of Gillette's corporate boundaries is not to be included in the study. Please see the study area map attached to this news release.

The study will develop a prioritized transportation plan by identifying and evaluating Campbell County's present and future (year 2040) transportation needs. This transportation plan is intended to serve as a comprehensive planning tool for the development of Campbell County's transportation network planned in concert with Campbell County's Industry needs and those of its citizens.

There will be public input processes throughout the study period. During the initial data acquisition phase, stakeholders will be identified, contacted and asked to participate in an interview process and/or fill out a mail-in questionnaire. A "needs analysis" will be performed to help guide the transportation system evaluation and future road corridor projections. This work is anticipated to be complete by May 2010. The transportation system evaluation and preliminary report findings will conclude by the end of July 2010. A public input meeting will

be conducted in early August prior to development of the final report and final presentation to the County Commissioners.

For further information, please visit www.campbellcountycoalbelt.com where you will find contact information, study milestone dates, study progress reports and have an opportunity to take an on-line survey.



US Hwy 14/16

Buckskin

**Eagle Butte
Dry Fork**

Wyodak

Rozet

I-90

Moorcroft

US Hwy 14

Gillette

I-90

US Hwy 16

Fairview

Bishop

Caballo

**Belle Ayr
Caballo Rojo**

State Hwy 50

State Hwy 59

**Campbell County
Coal Belt
Transportation Study Area**

Coal Creek

Mills

Wright

Hilight

Keeline

Jacobs Ranch

State Hwy 450

Black Thunder

Reno

School Creek

Hilight

Mackey

State Hwy 387

State Hwy 59

North Antelope

Antelope