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**PUBLIC MEETING SET FOR APRIL 7 IN BRIGHTON TO DISCUSS
NEW METRO WASTEWATER RECLAMATION DISTRICT FACILITY**

DENVER, March 18 — The Metro Wastewater Reclamation District is hosting a public meeting April 7 in Brighton to answer questions about and discuss a new wastewater treatment facility planned for the northern outskirts of Brighton.

The meeting is scheduled to start at 6 p.m. at the Brighton Recreation Center at 555 North 11th Avenue.

The facility under discussion is being planned by the Metro District to serve communities in the northern metropolitan Denver region that need updated and expanded wastewater treatment, said Metro District Manager Catherine R. Gerali.

“Existing facilities will soon reach their capacity limits,” Gerali said, noting that the facility will be “one of the most advanced in the western United States.”

She added that advanced treatment is required because protecting the South Platte River in the years to come requires “treating to more stringent standards” than existing facilities currently can meet.

She explained that the new facility will include effective odor control and that the architecture and landscaping will blend in with the surrounding community.

The new facility will be located at the northwest corner of Highway 85 and 168th Avenue (Weld County Road 2). The estimated in-service date is 2015.

The Metro District is the wastewater treatment provider for most of metropolitan Denver and is the largest wastewater treatment agency in the Rocky Mountain West. Last year the Metro District treated an average of 140 million gallons of wastewater daily for 1.6 million residents.

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