

## Press Release

Interested Rangely residents are organizing the White River Area Preparedness, Inc. (WRAP) group. With the slogan, "Plan, Prepare, Protect," the group's mission is to "...develop individual, family, and community preparedness; to provide assistance and relief to Rangely area residents in the event of disaster or infrastructure collapse; to educate, protect, strengthen, and provide planning and resources for critical needs such as power, water, food, medical care, and wastewater to support [the] community."

Guided by the general instruction of Michael Mabee, author of *The Civil Defense Book: Emergency Preparedness for a Rural or Suburban Community*, members are taking courses in the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program; organizing into teams by skills and knowledge, and looking forward to trainings so they can be prepared to assist neighbors, community members, and area residents within a 60-mile radius.

Attorney Kelly Clark is preparing IRS 501 (c) (3) compliant documents for non-profit status along with an initial organizational structure with assistance from temporary directors Elaine Urie, Jane Pennell, Heather Fitzpatrick, Mark Stamos and Susie Berardi.

WRAP's Website, in its early phase, is being put together by Mark Stamos, go to [www.wraprangely.com](http://www.wraprangely.com) and check it out. Information on meetings, videos, etc. will be posted on this site.

For more information and to inquire about meeting times, contact initial organizer and Rangely resident, Don Davidson at (970) 417-7773. ###