

### **2016ANNUALREPORT**

A Leading Voice for Responsible Oil and Gas Development



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### LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

#### Colorado's energy industry was front and center in 2016. And once again, Vital for Colorado played an active role supporting the industry, its employees and highlighted their critical part of our state's economy.

Vital for Colorado continued its robust outreach and engagement program hitting more than 100 community events, business meetings and symposia across the state. These efforts propelled our coalition above the 60,000-member mark making our coalition among the biggest and broadest business groups in the state.

The expanded coalition came at an opportune time as anti-energy activists again set their sights on blocking energy development by amending Colorado's constitution. They launched two initiatives aimed at furthering oil and gas setbacks that would have blocked 90% of the state from energy development and another that would have created a patchwork of laws governing oil and gas development.

While proponents of these measures claimed to be grassroots, the vast majority of their funding came from outside Colorado, including from countries overseas.

Vital for Colorado and our coalition partners stood firm against these ballot petitions helping to build the opposition and inform voters of the consequences these proposed constitutional amendments posed. We worked through our vast network to encourage Coloradans to decline to sign the petitions and persuaded others to remove their names, if they did sign.

These efforts proved successful as Coloradans rejected the anti-energy petitions, which failed to collect enough signatures to qualify for the 2016 ballot, preventing another costly and divisive battle in November.

These proposed anti-energy constitutional amendments – which bore more than passing resemblance to those put forth in 2014 – prompted Vital for Colorado to endorse Amendment 71, which sought to make it harder to amend our state's foundational document. Colorado has one of the easiest constitutions to amend in the nation, and beyond oil and gas, many of Colorado's businesses and industries have been the target of crippling constitutional amendments in the past and have had enough.

The Vital for Colorado board of directors deployed additional resources to support the effort to limit special interest meddling in our constitution and help safeguard our state's business community and citizens.

Vital for Colorado joined with businesses, chambers of commerce, agricultural interests, community groups and other community leaders to amass a powerful alliance to support raising the bar for constitutional amendments. Colorado voters agreed with the proposal and supported Amendment 71 with almost 56% of the vote.

We are proud of our 2016 successes, and we hope to build on them with you in 2017 and beyond. On behalf of our 16-person Board of Directors, thank you for being part of our team and working to make Colorado's business climate the best in the world.

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Chairman of the Board

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### MISSION AND PLEDGE

### OUR MISSION

To promote the benefits of energy production in Colorado, highlight energy resource extraction as a critical part of Colorado's state economy, and support a rational, well-regulated, and competitive regulatory environment which allows energy production in the state to thrive responsibly.

### 7 PRINCIPLES

#### 1. Recognize Economic Benefit

The oil and gas industry is a key driver of Colorado's economy. Last year, the industry supported over 213,000 Colorado jobs and more than \$25 billion in economic activity, helping make Colorado the fifth fastest growing economy in the U.S.

#### 2. Be a National Leader

Colorado is a recognized national leader in energy regulation. We have the most comprehensive and stringent environmental rules in the nation, including rules that require disclosure and ensure the safety and transparency of fracking.

#### 3. Maintain History of Safety

Fracking has been safely used in Colorado for more than 60 years and more than 90 percent of all wells today are fracked. Fracking is a transformational technology, opening up more than 100 years of domestic natural gas.

#### 4. Rely on Science, Facts & Data

Policymakers and the public should rely on science, facts and data to guide discussion, not scare tactics and hyperbole.

#### 5. Integrate Backup Sources

Development of natural gas is indispensable to the continued expansion of wind, solar and other renewable forms of energy in the state. Because the wind doesn't always blow and the sun doesn't always shine, natural gas is an integral backup energy source—a cornerstone of Colorado's "all of the above" energy policy.

#### 6. Promote Comprehensive Regulation

Colorado should continue to regulate oil and gas development in a comprehensive, statewide manner, rather than a patchwork quilt of inconsistent regulations. A comprehensive and consistent approach to oil and gas development is the best and only way to ensure that Colorado protects our natural environment while remaining an inviting place for current and future energy investment.

#### 7. Employ Non-Traditional Approach

We oppose attempts to politicize energy regulation, enact wholesale energy bans or create regulatory chaos by repealing Colorado's traditional statewide approach to energy regulation.

#### We Support Responsible Oil and Natural Gas Development and We Oppose Energy Bans and Patchwork Regulations

Our coalition agrees with the seven principles regarding oil and natural gas development and hydraulic fracturing, or fracking.

These principles are paramount to a vibrant and successful oil and natural gas industry in Colorado.



### EDUCATION AND OUTREACH EVENTS

With over 100 events, Vital for Colorado engages communities throughout the state by attending local events and festivals to meet with Coloradans face-to-face to talk about the importance of responsible energy development.

#### **JANUARY**16

21 Lifting the Oil Export Ban - What It means to Colorado

#### **FEBRUARY**16

18 Governor's Forum on Colorado Agriculture

#### MARCH16

8 AIPG Legislative Reception11 The Tribune Home and Garden Show

#### **APRIL**16

23 Dia Del Nino28 CPW Partners in the Outdoor30 Greeley Philharmonic Shakespeare's Influence Revisited

#### **MAY**16

- 7 Denver Cinco de Mayo
  7 The Derby Party
  7 Northern Colorado's Hispanic Chamber Cinco De Mayo
  14 Salute to Seniors
- **21** Erie Town Fair and Balloon Festival
- 28 Erie Concert in the Park (That Eighties Band)
- 28 Stenger Invitational

#### JUNE16

- **3** Food and Flick
- **4** Berthoud Day
- 4 Denver Heart Walk
- 4 Johnstown BBQ days
- **11** NAPA TOYOTA 150 @ Colorado National Speedway
- **11** Erie Brewfest
- **11** Pedaling 4 Parkinson's
- 12 Market at the Fort
- **13** CCA Convention
- **18** Denver Pridefest
- **18** Erie Concert in the Park (Funkiphino)**18** Hudson Festival
- 18 Juneteenth Music Festival
- 19 Monster Trucks Show With DX @ Colorado National Speedway
- **19** Denver Pridefest Parade
- 22 Bike to Work Day
- **24** Greeley Stampede
- 24 Bike MS
- **24** Frederick in Flight
- 25 Brighton Chamber Duck Race
- 25 The Polo Classic
- 26 Colorado Latino Festival

#### JULY16

- 1 Western Conservative Summit
- 2 Energy Day
- 3 Colorado National Speedway
- **3** Independence Eve
- 4 Fourth at Firestone
- 8 Colorado Black Arts Festival
- 9 Eaton Days
- 9 Erie Concert in the Park (Face)
- **10** Market at the Fort
- 16 LaSalle Days
- 22 NE Weld Country Fair
- 23 Craft Beer Roundup at Chainsaws and Chuck Wagons
- 23 Erie Concert in the Park (The Samples)
- 27 Weld County Fair
- 28 Arapahoe County Fair
- **29** Denver County Fair
- 30 Dragon Boat Festival

#### AUGUST16

- 3 Adams County Fair
- 3 Bonanza Creek BBQ
- 5 Friday Fest
- 5 Larimer County Fair
- 6 Carbon Valley Music & Spirits Festival
- 6 Erie Concert in the Park (Phat Daddy)
- 6 Kersey Day
- 12 Carnation Festival
- 12 Friday Fest
- 7 Larimer County Fair Rodeo Night
- 13 Georgia Boys Blues, Brews and BBQ
- 13 Milliken Beef & Beans
- 13 Severance Days
- 13 Southeast Weld County Fair
- 14 Market at the Fort
- 19 Friday Fest
- 23 COGA's RMES
- 25 RMES Business Power Lunch
- 26 Colorado State Fair
- 27 AgriCULTURE Fest & Feast

### EDUCATION AND OUTREACH EVENTS

#### **SEPTEMBER**16

3 The Pro Series @ Colorado National Speedway
9 Conserving Nature's Resources
10 Mead Community Day
10 Trapper Days
16 Denver Post Pedal the Plains
18 Fiestas Patrias

NOVEMBER16

29 Colorado Business Roundtable's 3rd Annual Legislative Reception

23 OktoBREWfest

OCTOBER16 1 Colorado National Speedway 1 Miners Blast 1 Oktoberfest

29 Brad Paisley Live @ Falcon Stadium

- **1** Airforce Falcons Football Game vs. Navy
- 15 Americas Latino Eco Festival
- **22** Air Force Football Game vs. Hawaii
- 28 Halloween Safe Night
- 31 Trunk or Treat Safety Night



### MAINTAIN COLORADO'S REASONED APPROACH TO DEVELOPING ENERGY RESOURCES By Peter Moore

As published in The Denver Post on December 19, 2016.

After years of engaging stakeholders, vetting energy regulations, and grappling with legal challenges, Coloradans continue to embrace a thoughtful and reasoned approach to responsibly developing our energy resources.

Colorado has some of the toughest, most rigorous environmental regulation of oil and gas in the world, and a welcoming attitude toward new development.

For some fringe environmental groups, the toughest oil and gas regulations in America aren't enough. In 2016, this band of extreme voices tried to attack oil and gas development on multiple fronts.

But time and time again, anti-fracking activists were soundly defeated by the forces of common sense and responsible energy development.

We saw a small faction of legislators continuing to push a rejected, narrow agenda threatening thousands of Colorado energy jobs. Bills aimed at redundant and overlapping regulatory schemes to efforts to thwart mineral rights owners all met the same fate. Each time, Vital for Colorado and other business leaders pushed back against these harmful proposals, stopping the legislation in its tracks. Republicans and Democrats killed these bad-for-business, anti-drilling bills.

Last spring, environmental activists tried to recall a Thornton City Council member for the high crime of, get this, working for an oil and gas company. A handful of the most notorious and well-heeled anti-fracking organizers flooded the community with smears and deceit, only to have voters in Thornton slam the recall door in their face. The Thornton recall failed for not having anywhere near enough signatures.



**Peter Moore**, CEO & President Shareholder Robinson Waters & O'Dorisio, P.C.

Undeterred, this summer, many of the same activists pushed divisive constitutional ballot measures that would have cut off 90 percent of the state from developing our energy resources. These narrow interests tapped into hundreds of thousands of dollars from out-of-state environmental groups sharing a common mission of banning hydraulic fracturing. We saw great fanfare when they submitted their petitions to the secretary of state, but later learned that they were submitting many empty boxes with few petitions. Despite this well-funded effort, Coloradans rejected these damaging proposals by declining to sign their petitions.

Not to be outdone, many of the same activists focused their attention and flailing angst at Amendment 71, a bipartisan measure seeking to make it more difficult to amend the state constitution by requiring greater statewide input for constitutional ballot petitions. National environmental groups spent heavily to oppose Amendment 71 equating it to a proxy fight on energy development, even though it was no such thing. Greenpeace even sent its blimp to Colorado to oppose the initiative. But just like their empty petition boxes, the air-filled blimp on loan from Washington, D.C., failed persuade local voters as Amendment 71 passed with over 55 percent of the vote and winning 60 of 64 counties.

The wholesale defeat of anti-fracking extremists here is notable because it's the third year in a row fracking foes have lost. After convincing a couple towns to pass short-term bans on drilling, the environmental community has seen a pair of anti-drilling initiatives wither on the vine in 2014, the defeat of a proposed fracking ban in Loveland, the defeat of multiple anti-energy local candidates in 2014 and 2015, and a 2016 Colorado Supreme Court decision saying the energy bans were themselves illegal and unconstitutional.

Added together, the picture that emerges couldn't be clearer — the cottage industry of environmental groups opposing fracking have been completely and totally rejected by mainstream Colorado. While periodic fights will continue as long as these groups have access to out-of-state environmental donors, the crusaders against responsible energy development have lost credibility with the public because they have lost the debate.

In 2017, Colorado leaders should re-commit to developing energy policy in the right way. That means tough and comprehensive regulation of the industry, and a broad commitment to protecting responsible energy development here for years to come.

### OIL EXPORT BAN PANEL at School of Mines





#### January 21, 2016 5:30-7:30pm Green Center – Bunker Auditorium

Colorado School of Mines 924 16th Street, Golden, CO 80401

Panel: U.S. Representative Ed Perlmutter (D) CO

U.S. Representative Ken Buck (R) CO

**Christopher Guith** U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Institute for 21st Century Energy

**Geoff Houlton** Dir. of Commodity Fundamentals Anadarko Petroleum Corp.

> John R. Grizz Deal CEO IX Power Clean Water

Craig W. Van Kirk Professor Emeritus Petroleum Engineering Colorado School of Mines

> Moderator: Dan Haley President & CEO, Colorado Oil and Gas Association

Register at lifttheoilexportban.eventbrite.com









## LEADING THE WAY TO ENERGY INDEPENDENCE

For decades our nation worked to identify strategies aimed at becoming energy independent. Now with the technological advancements in hydraulic fracturing, we're on the cusp of not only energy independence but becoming an energy exporter helping developing nations transition to clean burning fuels.

While many in the urban centers enjoy lower utility bills, the abundance of affordable, homegrown energy development has also reduced operating costs for Colorado's farmers and ranchers. Hydraulic fracturing and horizontal drilling have allowed many farmers and ranchers to maximize their property investments by leasing their surface and subsurface rights to energy developers. This added income supplements off-season family budgets and allows for greater investment opportunities in new and efficient agricultural equipment. These new opportunities help keep family-owned farms productive and attractive for the next generations to remain in rural communities.



Chad Vorthmann, Executive Vice President, Colorado Farm Bureau

Preserving this way of life was a driving force for the Colorado Farm Bureau to weigh in against the proposed hydraulic fracturing bans. Recently, the Colorado Supreme Court agreed with our position and rejected those bans. The justices rightly decided that property owners would be adversely affected by these and any future bans. Specifically, the court's decision says, "Longmont's fracking ban, which limits fracking to those parts of a pool outside city limits, likewise increases the cost of producing oil and gas and reduces royalties." Many Colorado family farms have realized the benefits of these royalty payments, while others are still planning to leverage these opportunities into additional financial investments to repay debt and prepare for the future.

These bans, if upheld, would have created uncertainty for these family farms, robbing them of their property and financial investments. While these bans were only in a handful of towns, the Colorado Supreme Court recognized the writing on the wall saying, "...Longmont's fracking ban may create a 'ripple effect' across the state by encouraging other municipalities to enact their own fracking bans, which could ultimately result in a de facto statewide ban."

With this case behind us, Colorado's rural and agricultural communities need certainty to move forward and continue to identify solutions that balance the needs of all stakeholders. As we realize our country's energy independence and the benefits to rural Colorado, our future has never been brighter.

### THORNTON READY TO MOVE PAST DIVISIVE RECALL

As published in The Westminster Window on June 6, 2016.

Like many cities around the state, Thornton faces a number of challenging and important decisions for our communities and our residents. From economic development to affordable housing to public safety to traffic, we're constantly working together as a city council to make the best decisions for our residents and our city.

Unfortunately, since March this progress and collaboration took a backseat to a proposed recall of one of our councilmembers. A vocal minority of Thornton residents, using extreme bullying tactics and personal insults, pushed the city council to ban energy development within city limits. After hearing from all sides of the debate and discussing the issue with staff, the majority of the city council felt this wasn't the right move for Thornton, especially in light of the fact that we don't have any active permits to drill oil wells within our boundaries and that the state Supreme Court has already ruled that cities can't ban energy development.

For this single vote, these activists took extreme action by pursuing a recall of Councilwoman Jan Kulmann, simply because she's employed by an energy producer, claiming her employment was a conflict of interest. Before the vote, Kulmann correctly sought the advice of our city attorney whose legal analysis determined that Kulmann did not have a conflict of interest and that she had an obligation as a duly elected councilmember to vote on the issue. That should have ended any recall pursuits, but these activists pressed ahead for two months purportedly collecting signatures to recall Councilwoman Kulmann and impose a special election that would have cost taxpayers up to \$100,000. This is money that is much better spent on other items that would actually benefit our residents.

For months, the recall served as a distraction to city council and represented the worst in politics.

By Mayor Heidi Williams



Heidi Williams, Mayor, City of Thorntom

Luckily, reason prevailed and Thornton voters rejected the idea, standing firmly by Kulmann. Clearly, the fact that recall supporters didn't submit their signatures by the deadline leads me to believe their intent was to intimidate and bully Kulmann and others on city council.

The Thornton City Council was specifically designed to be made up of residents who bring their personal background, expertise and diverse opinions to the city council, which helps ensure the city council makes the best decision for our residents. These different and opposing viewpoints help us create better public policy and ensure different voices are heard.

We face a divisive and frustrating political climate that's turning off voters and potential political participants. Our city should be promoting greater civic engagement and encouraging more of our citizens to serve and run for public office. Sadly, the contention around this recall operates as a deterrent and breeds cynicism we then need to overcome.

With the recall distraction hopefully behind us for good, we must rebuild our spirit of collaboration and get back to the people's business. Thank you for rejecting this bad idea, and I look forward to working with you to continue our progress and make Thornton even greater than it already is.

### KDMT RADIO

In 2016, Vital for Colorado expanded its outreach by hosting radio shows twice a month on AM 1690 KDMT during the evening drive time. We interviewed Vital for Colorado Board Members along with business and industry leaders speaking to the importance of promoting a healthy Colorado economy from different perspectives and experiences.



Join Vital for Colorado Chairman Peter Moore as he chats about important business and oil and gas issues with leaders from across the state and nation the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month from 4-5 pm on AM 1690 in Denver.

### STUDY THE FRACKING PROPOSALS

As published in the Highlands Ranch Herald on May 11, 2016

Guest column by Robert Golden, Mike Kopp and Jeff Wasden

With the Colorado Supreme Court's decision preserving responsible energy development in the state, fringe activists will attempt one final Hail Mary aimed at amending the Colorado Constitution.

Backers of four measures targeting oil and gas development in Colorado have begun collecting the 100,000 signatures necessary for them to appear on the November ballot. If successful, they would essentially eventuate with a patchwork of local regulations that would, in effect, ban fracking, undermine property rights and destabilize Colorado's business environment.

The claim is made that the backers are simply local citizens, merely concerned with protecting their communities. But in reality, their activities are being pushed by out-of-state interests with an agenda quite unlike the citizens of Colorado who welcome the economic boom the oil and gas industry fuels in our state.

Our three organizations, by strong contrast, are deeply rooted in Colorado. We are both local and statewide. Together we represent thousands of the great companies in Colorado who do business across the breadth of the Centennial State. We stand with Vital for Colorado in support of a collaborative, responsive and transparent regulatory system managed at the state level, not the confounding, contradictory one envisioned by some unseen special interest.

While the proposed ballot measures are written to appear reasonable, we wish to be clear: They are de facto bans on fracking.

For example, Initiative 40 would grant unprecedented power to local governments to ban outright any business or industry they don't like, regardless of state, federal or international law.

Initiative 63 is written so broadly that it would potentially empower nearly anyone to drag another into court over an alleged crime against the environment.

Initiative 75 would further politicize the oil and gas industry by granting local governments broad new regulatory powers that could imperil tens of thousands of jobs in a heartbeat.

Initiative 78 would require oil and gas operators to create an incredible buffer zone (called a setback) of at least a half-mile from things like "open space" areas and intermittent streams. When you consider the lay of the land in some parts of the state it is clear that would mean a ban on fracking.

These initiatives are best seen as blunt instruments aimed at hurting a vital Colorado industry. There is a better way. For starters, we need to let the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission continue implementing the recommendations made recently by the governor's oil and gas task force. The recommendations are the capstone of a great deal of bipartisan work done by members of the environmental community, elected officials and the oil and gas industry. Let's give them a chance to work before considering additional changes.

As the signature-gathering efforts move forward, we encourage readers to consider the impact these measures could have on Colorado, including the loss of: billions of dollars in economic activity, hundreds of millions in tax revenues and tens of thousands of jobs.

We believe the best way to achieve economic prosperity and environmental conservation is through dialogue, collaboration and cooperation, as we've seen with the governor's task force. Let's work together to see that we continue this strong partnership.

Robert Golden is president of the South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce. Mike Kopp is the executive director of Colorado Concern, an alliance of top business executives with a mission of enhancing the Centennial State's business climate. Jeff Wasden is president of the Colorado Business Roundtable, an advocate for proactive, pro-business legislation that strengthens the economy and allows businesses to grow and thrive in Colorado and the region. All three serve on the board of directors for Vital for Colorado, a coalition of business, civic and economic development leaders along with more than 56,000 Coloradans from across the state dedicated to supporting and promoting the benefits of energy production in Colorado.



Robert Golden



Mike Kopp



Jeff Wasden

### VITAL NEWS COVERAGE

Vital for Colorado has been mentioned over 50 times in the state's media coverage. The following are the key press mentions and news releases driven by Vital for Colorado.



#### Adams County Residents Push Back Against Fracking Moratorium

DENVER (Jan. 27, 2016) – Early this morning, the Adams County Commissioners opposed a moratorium or temporary ban on fracking after hearing hours of testimony from businesses, associations and individuals. Even the overflow room was nearly full with the majority coming from local residents opposed to the fracking halt.



**"Power Lunch" aims to illustrate economic strength of oil and gas workers** Vital for Colorado organizes first annual event

DENVER (Jan. 28, 2016) – Today, Colorado's tens of thousands of oil and gas workers will leave their brown bag lunches behind and go out to lunch. Vital for Colorado, the sponsor of the initiative, says the aim is to show the financial benefits of the oil and gas industry on the state's economy.

#### Business Groups Applaud Supreme Court Energy Ruling



DENVER (May 2, 2016) – Today, the Colorado Supreme Court rejected attempts by two northern Colorado municipalities to place a ban or moratorium on hydraulic fracturing, a process used in the vast majority of oil and gas wells.

## TIMES-CALL

**Longmont fracking ruling: 'Blow to democracy' or 'win for individual property rights'?** *Colorado reacts to court's fracking decision* By Karen Antonacci, Times-Call Local News May 2, 2016

May 4, 2016

May 2, 2016

May 2, 2016

### THE DENVER POST

**Colorado's financially wounded drillers ante \$6M to fight anti-frack measures** By Aldo Svaldi, The Denver Post May 4, 2016



#### Study the fracking proposals

Guest column by Robert Golden, Mike Kopp and Jeff Wasden, May 11, 2016

### VITAL NEWS COVERAGE

June 1, 2016

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June 14, 2016



DENVER BUSINESS JOURNAL

Recall of Thornton councilwoman, an oil & gas engineer, fizzles Denver Business Journal, June 1, 2016

**Recall of Thornton councilwoman fizzles** *Northglenn Thornton Sentinel, June 6, 2016* 



**Negative economic impacts of energy setback initiative 40 times worse** Potential economic boon for West Slope jeopardized

DENVER (June 14, 2016) – The news continues to worsen for the proponents of Initiative #78, which aims to add mandatory 2,500-foot setbacks from new and existing oil and natural gas operations. Earlier this month, the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission (COGCC) released a report detailing that the proposed setbacks would ban 90% of Colorado from future energy development. The report drew the ire of business leaders around the state.

July 14, 2016

July 14, 2016



**1000s of oil & gas jobs at stake with Colorado ballot proposal, says CU study** *Denver Business Journal, Jul 14, 2016* 



**Devastating impacts of setback initiative continue to worsen** New study describes economic impact of Initiative #78

DENVER (July 14, 2016) – Today, a new economic study confirms the devastating financial impacts a proposed anti-energy initiative will have on Colorado's economy. The Business Research Division of the University of Colorado's Leeds School of Business finds that proposed Initiative #78, which aims to increase setbacks from energy development to 2,500 feet, would cost Colorado billions in its gross domestic product and over 100,000 jobs.

**Petition signers request removal from anti-energy ballot issues** Withdrawals cite economic woes caused by the initiatives

DENVER (July 28, 2016) – With days left to submit initiative packets for the November ballot, some Colorado voters have requested their names be removed from the anti-energy ballot measures. Voters who signed petitions can remove their names any time before proponents submit their petitions by filing a request with the Secretary of State's office.

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### DENVER BUSINESS JOURNAL

1000s of oil & gas jobs at stake with Colorado ballot proposal, says CU study Denver Business Journal, Jul 14, 2016

July 28, 2016

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> **After Early Losses, Industry Stops Anti-Fracking Measures** *Bloomberg BNA Sep. 20 2016*

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### BUSINESS AND ASSOCIATION COALITION MEMBERS

During the course of 2016, Vital grew its coalition from 56,000 associations, businesses and individuals, to over 60,000 coalition members. Thanks to our supporters and the following businesses and associations that have joined Vital for Colorado.

#### ASSOCIATIONS A

ACEC Colorado Action 22. Inc. American Council of Engineering Companies of Colorado American Trucking Association Americans For Prosperity, Colorado Arvada Chamber of Commerce Associated Builders and Contractors, Rocky Mountain Associated General Contractors of Colorado Associated Governments of Northwest Colorado Association of Equipment Manufacturers Aurora Chamber of Commerce В Brighton Economic Development Corporation Brush Area Chamber of Commerce Building Jobs 4 Colorado С Cañon City Chamber of Commerce Carbon Valley Chamber of Commerce Castle Rock Chamber of Commerce Centennial Institute Chamber of Commerce of Highlands Ranch Children's Voices of Colorado Childrens Hospital Colorado Citizens Action for Safe Energy-CASE Citizens Supporting Property Rights City of Craig City of Rifle Club 20 Coloradans for Responsible Energy Development Colorado Apartment Association Colorado Arborists and Lawncare Professionals

Colorado Asphalt Pavement Association Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry Colorado Association of Conservation Districts Colorado Association of Home **Builders** Colorado Association of Mechanical and Plumbing Contractors Colorado Association of Plumbing-Heating-Cooling Contractors Colorado Association of Realtors Colorado Automobile Dealers Association Colorado Bankers Association Colorado Business Roundtable Colorado Cattlemen's Association Colorado Competitive Council (C3) Colorado Concern Colorado Contractors Association Colorado Dairy Farmers Colorado Farm Bureau Colorado Forum Colorado Hospital Association Colorado Issues Coalition Colorado Licensed Beverage Association Colorado Log Cabin Republicans Colorado Mining Association Colorado Motor Carriers Association Colorado Mule Deer Association Colorado Oil and Gas Association Colorado Outfitters Association Colorado Prosperity Project (CO P2) Colorado Ready Mixed Concrete Association Colorado Republican Business Coalition Colorado Restaurant Association Colorado Rural Electric Association Colorado Springs Regional Business Alliance

Colorado Stone, Sand & Gravel

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DALTA (Denver Association of Lease & Title Analysts) Delta Area Chamber of Commerce Delta County Farm Bureau Delta Dental of Colorado Denver Association of Petroleum Landmen Denver Chamber Denver Energy Network Denver Metro Commercial Association of Realtors Denver Metro Young Republicans Denver Petroleum Club Denver Safari Club International Denver South Economic Development Partnership Desk and Derrick Club Dolores Chamber of Commerce Douglas County Business Alliance Downtown Denver Partnership, Inc. Durango Chamber of Commerce

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Fort Collins Board of Realtors Fort Lupton Chamber of Commerce Fremont County Commissioners Fruita Chamber FUEL-Colorado

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Parker Chamber of Commerce Portland Cement Association-Rocky Mt. Region Ports-to-Plains Alliance Progressive 15 R

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San Juan Basin Farm Bureau Sedgwick County Economic Development Corp. Smethles new coalition (sterling ranch chamber) South Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce Southeast Weld County Chamber of Commerce Steamboat Energy Group Sunrise Republican Women T Town of Dinosaur

Town of Meeker Town of Parachute Town of Platteville Town of Rangely

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Yuma County Farm Bureau

#### BUSINESSES

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Services Adora Inn Advanced Automotive & Truck Repair Inc Advanced Refrigeration Inc. **AFB** Enterprises Affordable Trailers Inc. **AGPROfessionals** AHI Home Inspections Air Compressor Service Air Pollution Testing, Inc. Air Systems Engineering Inc. Aire Serv of Weld County Al Brown Painting Alder Hot Oil All Purpose Rental All Seasons Rental-Hotsy All Sound Designs Alla Express Allen Unique Autos Allie Ooop Studio Allmer Farm & Ranch Alpine Floral Altira Group Alway's Picken AM Ellis Consulting AMC Developing, LLC America It's Time American Auto Body American Black Gold Investments American Mountain Supply American Northwest Realty American Shale Oil, LLC Americare Services AmeriRealty, LLC Amos Counseling Andrade Tactical Consulting Angel Transmissions Anytime Services, LLC AP Construction, Inc. APC Construction Co., LLC Apex Energy Group Applied Control Aquifer Tek ARC Group Arnett Trucking, LLC

ARS, Inc. Asher Associates Aspen Country Realty Associated Brokers & Consultants, Inc ATI Insulation ATP Services, LLC Auctoris Audio Hospital Audio Video Experts Audubon Engineering Auer & Associates, LLC Auer Bird Valley Auto Collision Specialists Automated Business Products Automation Plus Inc. Automotive Services of All Sorts, Inc. Axa Advisors В B & L Industries B & N Performance. Inc. B.A.M.M. Inc. B&B Welders Supply, Inc. B2 Orchards & Tree Farm B2B CEO Back Home '83-Soap & Candle, Co. Backcountry Realty Baker Hughes **Balance Biomechanics** Baldwin Farm Ballard Cabinetry Barn Media Barron's Oil Field Service, Inc. Barry E. Walter Sr. CO **Baseline Engineering** Battlement Fabrication Battlement Mesa Chiropractic Center Battlement Mesa Company Bayswater Exploration & Production, LLC BBS Pros Inc. BCS Development, LLC Beaver Real Estate Beer Barn II Begier's Health Bar Bell ATM Service, Inc.

Bella's Bio Aesthetics **Bellomy Transfer** Belton Livestock Berthoud Drug Best Exploration, Inc. Best Paper & Ink Best Sign Systems, Inc. Bevjac Land & Cattle, LLC Big D's Big O Tires, Cortez Big Sky Energy Equipment Bijou Creek Service & Supply, LLC **Biz Card Express** BlacFrac Black Diamond Outreach Black Dog Consulting Black Mountain Glass Black Mountain Pump Service, Inc. Blackeagle Energy Services BlackGold Supply, Inc. Blue Earth Construction Blue Moon Bar & Grill Blue Mountain Inn & Suites Blue Spruce Inn Blush Salon and Spa Bob Johnson Automobile Appraisal Bob The Builder, LLC **Bolton Construction Bookcliff Survey Services** Boone's Brew LLC Boulder Garage Boundary Resource Development, II C Bourland & Leverich Brady Trucking Brand Construction Brandt Logging, Inc. Bray Commercial Brent's Country DJ and Karaoke Bridge to Nowhere Tea Party Brighton Auto Body Inc. Brooks International Broomfield 912 Brownlee Enterprises & Consulting BSI-Crowd Control, LLC Buck n Bull RV Bud's Signs

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Springs Certek Heat Machine Certified Electric Supply Challenge for Health, LLC Champion Boots Chapman's Automotive Charcoal Restaurant Charity Meinhart Design Chemical Weed Control, Inc. Cheryl & Co Real Estate Chuck Whiteman and Associates (CWA) Citadel Advisory Group, LLC Citadel Security and Investigations Clark Energy Corp. Clarks Clarks Auto Classic Auto Body Classic Nails & Day Spa Claussen Consulting Clean Fix LLC Clear Creek Insurance & Financial Services, Inc. Clifton Liquors Inc. **CMB** Farrier Service Coleman's Capco Services, LLC Colorado Business Consulting Services Colorado Business Consulting Services Colorado Fireside, Inc. Colorado House District 7 Republicans Colorado Interiors, Inc. Colorado Kitchens, LTD Colorado Saddlery Colorado School of Mines Columbine Ford Columbine Hearing Center Column Commercial Partners **Comet Cleaners** Community Hospital, Grand Junction CommWest Compass Equipment Services, LLC Computer Business Solutions

Connollly Financial Group Consolidated Electrical Distributors COPS Productions Cornerstone Ventures, Inc. Coronado Liquor Mart Cosmo Enterprises Inc. dba Rapid Refill Ink Coteau Flow Testing Cottonwood Florist Couey Cattle Ranch Country Lodge Courageux Development Courtyard and Residence Inn by Marriott- Grand Junction Cox Livestock, LLC Craig and Alisa, LLC Cranium 360 Cranston Land & Development Crichton Consulting Services Crichton Consulting Services Cripple Cowboy Cow Outfit, Inc. Crossfire. LLC Crown Supply Company Culinary Corner Cuppa Joe @ Wendlls Curl Up & Dye Hair Salon Currier Ranch Custom Industries, Inc. D D & G Trucking

D & G Wrecker Service D & P Water, Inc. D and B Auto Dad & Dude's International/Dad & Dude's Breweria/Dude's Brews Dan Larson Communication Dave's Welding, Inc. Davetos David A. Pickett, Realtor Davis Clothing Company DC Promotional Products DeBeaue Liquor Dee's Pace Deft Communications Delta Cabinet Company Delta Elevator Delta Timber Company Denver Machine Shop

DeVinny Jewelers, Inc. DGP Engineering Diemoz Construction Co. Diesel Service & Supply DiFranco's Italian Restaurant Dilligaf, Inc. Diva Team at Keller Williams Colorado West Realty Diversified Services, Inc. **DLP** Construction Don's Oilfield Service, Inc. Donaho Oil & Gas Consultants, LLC Dotsero Resources and Marketing Double D Field Services Double F, Inc Double R Associates, Inc. Downhole Tool Service, LLC Drive Train Industries Driver Developments DTZ Ducey Electric Duco. Inc. Duffys Outdoor Power Equipment Dunn Family Farm DW Metal Works F

E & E Door & Window E-Z Consulting E'Toile Designs by Amanda Eagle County Republicans Eagle Environmental Consulting, Inc. Eagle Plumbing & Septic, LLC Eagle's Wing Natural Bison Earth Saving Solutions East Valley Liquor Eco Peak Solutions Edge Energy **EHL** Consulting Eide Bailly, LLP EKS&H Elk Cove, LLC Elk Mountain Inn Elk Park Forest Restoration, LLC Elk Peaks Consulting Group, LTD Elk River Enterprises Elkhorn Construction, Inc. Elm Ridge Exploration Co., LLC

Elwood Staffing EmTech, Inc. En-Sim Partnership, LLC Energy Field Security, Inc. **Energy Real Estate Solutions** EnerPlus England Fence Co. Enserca Energy Enstrom Candies, Inc. Environmental Testing, Inc. Envision Products, Inc. Equal Justice Foundation Erv's Upholstery Escape Landscapes, Inc. Esplin's Wildlife Studio Essence Photography Essential Marketing Event Wizards Evergreen Environmental Engineering, Inc. Express Employment Extex Division Order Services, LLC. Extinguisher Solutions, Inc.

Farnsworth Boutler Farthing Ranch Fashion Firearm Handbags Fast Frame FCI Constructors, Inc. Femme Fatale Handbags, Ltd. Fidelity Mortgage Company Fifty Shadz Salon Final Option **Financial Foundations** Financial Management Resources Fireplace West Fisher's Liquor Barn Fisher's Market, LLC Flairmont Furniture Flat Creek Digital Flat Creek Management, LLC Flat River Agri, Inc. Flat Tops Ranch Flint Personnel Flower Motor Co., Inc. Footers Catering Forbes Certified Welding, LLC Foreland Resources, LLC

Forethought.Net Foundation Repair of Western Colorado Four Sons Logistics, LLC Four States Gasket & Rubber Fourpoint Energy Fox Engineering Solutions, Inc. FR's for Less Fram Operating Frank Henry Equipment Frankie's Coffee Free Reign Ent. Freedom Property Management Frisco Napa Auto Fritzler Resources, Inc. Frontier Appliance Fruita Grand Junction Body & Paint Fruita Liquor Mart Funshares RV G

Galloway & Co. Gamba & Associates, Inc. Garfield Steel Garretson's Sport Center Gas Products Corporation Gateway Self Storage Gecko Car Wash General Heating & Air Conditioning George Dunham Real Estate (GDRE) George Leing for Colorado Gilco Petroleum Park, LLC GJ Auto Sales, LLC Glacier Ice Arena Glenwood Partnership LLLP Global Nitrogen Services **GM** Cleaning Services GMCO Corporation GMx Consulting, LLC Gold Eagle Mining, Inc. GoldLeaf CareGivers. Inc. Goldleaf HomeHealth Gonzalez Insurance Group LLLC Gonzo, LLC Goolsby Brothers & Associates, Inc. Gordon Graves, LLC

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H & H Enterprises, Inc. H & H Environmental H & K Trucking, LLC H Reed & Company H-Motel Haag Geo-Consulting Hair On Wheels Hall Media Group, LLC Hallmark Photos Hammerhead Paint Services. LLC Hammond's Golf Hands Automotive Handwerk Arts Hanson International Happy Hollidays, LLC Harrahs Hair-Skin-Nails Hawks Air Service Hayward Ranch Outfitters HCE Properties, LLLP Heads Up Taxidermy Heil Trucking Helping Hand Contracting Heritage Building Higgy INV., LLC High Country Auto High Desert Floral High Desert Outdoor Power High Plains Cattle Supply, LLC High Voltage, Inc. Highland Cycles Hillside Rental Holistic Health Options Hollidays Grill Home Loan State Bank

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J & LL Services J & M Machine J-W Power Company J. Paul & Debbie Brown Ranch J.I.M.Z. Industries Jack Schneider Farms, LLC James A. Anderson Construction Co., Inc. James K. Poole, Esg. James S. Simes Sales Jan's Auto Janet Rowland Consulting Jasmine's Coffee & Tea Café

Jason's Automotive, LLC Java Jct Coffee House Jay Slash Bar, LP Jay's Butcher Block Jay's Steakhouse JD Carey Construction Jean's Printing, Inc. Jeremiah L. Woodward Authorized Mac Tool Distributor Jerrys Outdoor Sports JJ's Tire & Automotive JLH Welding & Repair, Inc. JMB Marketing Joe Mason Insurance Agency, Inc. Johnie's Garden, Inc. Jolly Bros, LLC Jonathan L. Phetteplace Jones Transportation Inc. Joni Inman Consulting Jons Custom Creations Tattoo Jost & Shelton Energy Group, P.C. JR's Carriage Service JRT Trucking JSC, Inc. Juct'n Square Pizza JW Fabrication

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KB Oil Tools KBrownlee Appraisals, LLC KCSS Trucking KE Thompson, LLC Keane on Safety, Inc. Ken's Reproductions Kendrick Truck & Trailer LLC Kenny's Steak House Kenny's Welding Kentwood City Properties Kersey Market Kersey Pizza Kersey Pool Hall Kidds Automotive Repair Service KJ Dunston Trucking, Inc. **KM** Collections Kokopelli Liquors Komotodo Sushi Burrito Kop Directional Service KP Sales & Marketing, Inc. KSJ Ventures

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Lone Tree Energy & Associates, LLC

Lonestar Ranch Lonestar Ranch Long View Systems Longs Peak Advisors Loomis Farms and Ranch Lost Creek Guide Lost Solar Outfitters, LLC Louie's Pizza, Inc. Loveland Auto Auction IT.IIC LTD Consulting, LLC Lucas Industrial Repair, Inc. Luckii Productions, LLC Ludwig And Associates Luk-Key Ventures, LLC Lundvall Energy Park Luster Trucking Co., М

M & J Enterprises M & M Communications M & M Excavation M & M Hauling M&E Trucking LLC Mac's Place, LLC Majestic Trophy Outfitters Major Mortgage MAK Energy, Inc. Mama's Cake Classics Mama's Restaurant Marie-Margot Couture Marquee, LLC Marsh Trucking, LLC Master Automotive Masters, LLC Mathers Bar & Café Maves Construction, Inc. Maxxed Out 4x4 Mazzotti Farms MC Mountain Homes McGowan Consulting McGuire Auto Parts McPherson Construction, LLC Med-Botics Meeker Café Meeker Collision Center Meeker Drugs, Inc. Meeker Embroidery Meeker General Merchantile

Meeker Realty, LLC Meeker Video Mercellina Dairy, LLC Mercellina Dairy, LLC Mergelman Enterprises Merrick and Co. Merritt & Associates GC. Inc. Mesa Bearing & Power Transmission Mesa Crate & Pallet Mesa Energy Partners Mesa Moving Mesa Verde Motors Mexican House Meeker MHA Petroleum Consultants, LLC Michael B. Higginbotham, LLC Michael Burkhard Real Estate Michael L. Baker Insurance Agency, Inc. Micro Plastics, Inc. Mike's Friendly Delivery Service, LLC Mike's Mountain Motors Mile High Energy Solutions Miller Pumps/Packers Millers Grill Mine Safety Instructor Miner's Claim Corporation MJK Sales & Feed, Inc. MJS Safety, LLC Mohr's Automotive Mona Lisa Mugshots Monadnock Mineral Services, LLC Montrose Implement & Motorsports Montrose Mini Storage Montrose Tire & Brake Montrose Water Factory LLC Monument Cleaners Monument Garage Door, LLC Monument Homes Monument Insurance Monument Powder Monument View Lake LLC Monumental Companies, LLC Monumental Well Services Moody Insurance Agency

Moose, LLC

More Air, LLC Morris Monument Morris Optical, LLC Morrow Ventures, LLC Mortenson Construction Mosnes Consulting Mountain Chevrolet Mountain High Paint Mountain Quality Marketing LLC Mountain States Welder Repair, LLC Mountain Transmission Mountain Valley Realty Mountainman Home Improvements. Inc. Mr. Cobbler Mr. Detector Mr. T's Hardware & Building Supply Murr Siler & Accomazzo Mustang Energy Resources MVR Resources, Inc. MW Hotel Consaulting Ν

Nachos Mexican Fine Dining Nameloc Construction Management, Inc. Narrow Gate Ministries National Geological Services, Inc. National Loan Clearinghouse National Marketing Group National Oilwell Varco NCPS-Nabors Completion and **Production Services** Networks Unlimited NexGen Oil and Gas. LLC Nichols Insurance Agency NLS Business Solutions Northeast Planes Aviation, Inc. Northern Colorado Real Estate Northstar Gas Company, Inc. Northwest Auto Glass Northwestern Enterprises, LLC NTL Management Systems Nucor Nuss Investigations

O'Connor Design Group, Inc. OAG Holdings, LLC Oasis Ventures Limited Olathe Corn Company, LLC Old Mountain Gift & Jewelry Old Town Living Olsen, Reyes & Sauerwein Olson Strategies & Advertising Open Range Service, Inc. Organo Gold Our Energy Moment Out West Electric Outcold Productions, Inc. Overbrook Resources, Inc. Overbrook Resources, Inc. Overhead Door Company of Grand Junction Owens Public Affairs, LLC Oxford Strategies, LLC

#### P2, LLC

Pachello's Printing, Inc. Page-Parsons Jewelers Pampered Pets Boarding Panzano Restaurant Parachute Inn Parachute Mini Storage Park Street Grill & Bar Parks Industries Motorsports & Performance Pat-Way Cattle Company, Inc. Pathway Communications, LLC Patrick Davis Consulting Patriot Artificial Lift Patriot Truck Wash Patterson-Uti Paul Fazzini Agency Peak Management Consulting & Training Peak Surveying, Inc. Pearmain's Performance & Auto Pedeling 4 Parkinsons PEO Concepts, Ltd. Perfect Weddings & Events Performance Muffler and Auto Perkins Precision Developments Persigo Wash, LLC Petersens Flooring & Designs, LLC Petroleum Land Management, LLC PFS-Petroleum Field Services LLC

Phetteplace Trucking Phil Vaughan Construction Management, Inc. Phil's Pro Auto Service Phill Foster and Company Pikes Peak Energy Network Pink Zebra Independent Consultant Pinyon Tree Liquor **Pioneer Energy Pioneer Energy** Pioneer Mobile Home Court Pioneer Rig Supply Pioneer Steel Inc. Pipher Woodworking Platt River Tires Platte River Fort Platte Valley Excavating Pollard Brothers Motors Polstar Strategies, LLC Powderhorn Mountain Resort PowderTek Power Motive Corp. Power Service of Colorado Power Square Design & Architecture Precision Excavating, Inc. Precision Printing Precriptions Salon & Spa Premier Daylighting Premier Gold and Games Cyber Café Premier Gold Buyers Premier Signs & Neon, LLC Principled Staffing, Inc. Pro Space Interiors Professional Field Services Professional Touch Proformance Apparel Proved Resouces, LLC **Publicity Support** Pucket Land Company Pure Brand Communications Q **QRS** Outdoor Specialties QuickPro, LLC R R & B Classic Creations

R & R Mechanical R & R's Auto Body, Inc. R & T Oilfield Services R + M Services R and L Tires, LLC R.C. Michael Company, Inc. R&M Welding & Fabrication Rainbow Consulting, LLC Rampart Range Trucking, LLC Randy Premer Repair Rangely Auto Parts Rangely Collision Center, LLC Rangely Community Gardens Rangely Conoco Tire & Auto Rangely Hardware, Inc. Rangely Liquor Store Rangely Trash Service Razzmatazz, Inc. RD Media & Design, Inc. **RDI USA** Real Sites Mortgage Reata Petroleum Corporation-Fort Morgan Reata Petroleum Corporation-Sterling Recycle Sports Red Arrow Gold Corporation Red Deer Ironworks Inc. USA Red Rooster Restaurant Redi Services Redi Services, LLC Redneck Tractor Truck and Firearms Redstone Bank ReelFish Fish & Chips Regional Oilfield Services, LLC Reighard & Associates **Reliable Supply** Reliant Roofing, Inc. Rental Supply Co Reserve Arms, LLC **Revealing Politics Review Watch LLC** Reynolds Trucking Inc. Rialto Café Rider & Quesenberry, LLP Ridgeway Valley Enterprises, Inc.

Rifle Performance Motorsports, LLC

Rifle Truck & Trailer **RightWord Consulting** Rio Blanco County Abstract Rita Hyland Consulting **River Bucking Bulls** River Cattle Hoof Trimming **Rix Excavating** RJ's Roof Vacuuming, Inc. RM Media Group, LLC Roaring Fork Glass Roberts Italian Restaurant Rock Chalk Media, LLC Rock Worx 4x4 Rocky Mountain Bowstrings, Inc. Rocky Mountain Diamond Tools, Inc. Rocky Mountain Machinery Rocky Mountain Marketing Specialists Rocky Mountain Media Rocky Mountain Oil, Gas & Minerals. LLC Rocky Mountain Oilfield Warehouse Rocky Mountain Promotional Products & Apparel Rocky Mountain Radiator Rocky Mountain Sanitation, LLC Rocky Mountain Well Service Rocky Mtn Electric, LLC Rocky Tops Rod's Dog Training Roma Restaurant Ron Begier's Railroad Consulting Roper Insurance Rosas, PLLC **RS** Oilfield Services Rubin Brown, LLP Rule Engineering Rush Peterbilt Rusty's Maps Ryan's Speed Shop Saddleback Golf Club

Sage Point Financial SAGE Truck Driving School Sales Tax Colorado, LLC Salzmans Shoe Repair Samson Resources Company Sands Park Terrace Motel Sarah B. Jack & Associates Saunders Construction. Inc. Sawmill Outlet, LLC Schauenburg Flexadux Corp. Schmalz & Co. Schmitz, Lewis, Kuhn, Swan PC Schneider's FR Clothing Schneider's FR Clothing, Ltd. Schreck the Tech Schuck Communities Scotts Electric Screamin' Eagle Trucking and Excavating, Inc. SDL Construction, Inc. SE Weld County Chamber Security First Financial Seidel Technologies Seismic Equipment Solutions Senior Soul Care ServiceMaster Commercial Clean Severson Supply Co., Inc. SG Interests Shale Country Maintenance, LLC Shear Creations By Colleen, LLC Shear Inc. Shepherd Hosking, PLLC Shepherd's Office Outfitters Sher Long Communications Shooters Grill Shurts Property Silt Café & Grill Silt Discount Liquor Silver Sage RV & Mobile Home Park Silverline Services Simonson Team, Inc. Simpson Brothers Garage Six Sigma Logistics Solutions SJS Cache, LLC Sklar Exploration Company Skyline Sports SLT Empire Smokin'101 BBQ Snap Photo Inc. Snider Woodwork Sno Biz Snob Productions

Sorter Construction, Inc. Special Research Services Specialized Automation Services, LLC Speer Commodity Futures Splinter "A" Trucking Split Mt. Enterprise & Consulting SSS Productions St. Vrain Sanitation District Stakeholders Strategies, LLC Stampfel Construction Starr Western Real Estate Starview Communications Starvin Arvin's Restaurant, Inc. Stephenson Heating & Cooling Steptoe & Johnson, PLLC Sterling Engineering Stevens Automotive Inc. Stix's By D & J Distribution Storm's Specialty Services Stormy Productions Story Welding, LLC Strategic Financial Partners Studley Success Matters Summit Midstream Sun King Sun West Construction Inc. Sunfield Oil Services Sunnyside Production Company, LLC Sunrise Oilfield Supply Super 8 Hotel-Grand Junction Horizon Drive Superior Alarm, Inc. Superior Body Shop, LLC Suppes Heating & Cooling, Inc. Surette Consulting, Inc. Sushitini Swallow Oil Company SWS Polifi Sylvester Farm T&H Parts, Inc. Tallgrass Energy Tayshen Automotive Taziki's Mediterranean Café 1

Taziki's Mediterranean Café 2

TBG Service Co., LLC TD Production, Inc. Team Strategy, Inc. TechAir Systems TempOrthotics, Inc. tF Strategies The Bridges (The Bridges Golf Course) The Bump Shop The Business Times The Drug Testing Place The Encore Shoppe The Fertilizer Institute The Flower Mine, LLC The Foreign Aid The Fort Restaurant The Goatie Girls Farm The Greedy Hamster The Hillman Group, Inc. The Nefresh The O.P. Bar n Grill, Inc. The Quiat Companies The Rebel Xpress, LLC The Salon The Serenity Room The Shoe Man The Source The Sunshine Express The Turquoise Junction The Workwear Store The Yurt at Screwball Ranch Thompson Solutions, LLC Three Sigma Corporation Three Squared, Inc. Tile Images Tim's Car Clinic TLD Resources, Inc. TLG Transport To Dye For Hair Salon Top Shot LLC Travlin Trinkets & Tresures Tri Star Retirement Tri-Lakes Shooters Supply Tri-State Supplies Trident Well Site Consulting Trifecta Energy, LLC Triple H, Inc. Triple R Ventures, LLC

TS Welding LLC Turner Technical Services Twin Guns Enterprise Twin Peaks Realty Two Feathers, LLC Two In The Loop, Inc. Two M Plus Auto Two Rivers Mortgage

Unicorp, Inc. Union Medical, P.C. Unique Properties United Companies of Mesa County United Oilfield Company United Supply of the Rockies Up Shit Creek Ranch, LLC Urie Trucking, Inc. URSA Operating Company, LLC Usiak Law Firm

Valley Ace Hardware Valley Lumber Valley Repair & Towing Valley Vista Inn Valley Vista Vineyards Valley Wide Fence Vecta Oil & Gas Vic's Hotshot Victory Productions Vietnam Books 4 Kids, Corp. Vintage Homes and Land Vitale & Associates Vortex Engineering, Inc.

#### VV

W.B. Supply Co. Wade Haerle & Associates, Inc. Wagner Equipment Co Wagon Wheel Liquor Walker Inspection, LLC Walter S. Fees Jr. Oil & Gas, LLC Warner Ranch Water Mountain Plumbing Weather Guard Building Products Weatherford Weld County Auto Sales Welt Ranch, LLC Wendell's Wonderous Things West Park Truck Equipment Westek Rentals LLC Western Canyon Homes, LLC Western Maintenance and Construction Western Skies Group Western Skyway, Inc. Western Slope Auto & Muffler Western Slope Plumbing & Welding Western Slope Radiator Western Slope Wheels & Deals, Inc. Western Valley Irrigation Western Wealth Advisors Westview Place, LLC Westwater Associates, Inc. Westwind Rifles, Inc. Wheeler Management/Puma Development WhippleWood CPAs White River Convenience White River Inn White River Liquor Whitewater Building Materials Corp. Wholly Stomboli Widick and Associates, Inc. Wildflower Tech Creations, LLC Wildlife Expressions Taxidermy Willbros Construction Willow Creek Companies WillSource Wilson, Rea, Beckel & Associates CPA's, LLC Windshields Express Wingland Holdings WizBang Solutions Wollert Automotive Wonderful Dragon Restaurant Wong Strauch Architects, PC Wright Choice, Inc. Wyatt Redi-Mix WYNNE Realty, Ltd. Wyoming Proppants, LLC Х XL3 Rigging

### RESOLUTIONS

In 2016, activists submitted two ballot proposals that would have blocked 90% of the state from energy development. Vital for Colorado made the case this would have been a blow to our economy and pushed back against these dangerous initiatives. Ultimately, the people of Colorado rejected the petitions and both measures failed to qualify for the November ballot.

### Resolution Opposing Ballot Initiatives #75 and #78

Whereas, Colorado's economy is strong and job growth continues at a steady pace, and

*Whereas,* our state's oil and natural gas industry supports more than 100,000 jobs and contributes more than \$30 billion in economy activity to the state, and

*Whereas,* this industry contributes hundreds of millions of dollars to public services ranging from education to transportation to public safety, and

*Whereas,* ballot initiative #75 usurps state regulation of energy development in Colorado and threatens private property rights for our state's residents, and

*Whereas,* ballot initiative #78 establishes extreme setbacks from new oil and natural gas operations that threaten to eliminate these industry jobs and economic contributions, and

*Whereas,* a recent report by the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission concludes that the initiative will ban 90% of Colorado from oil and natural gas development, and

*Whereas,* these setbacks would allow government to take private property, including mineral rights, from Coloradans without compensation, and

*Whereas,* the economic impact from these initiatives will financially cripple Colorado families both in and outside the oil and natural gas industry.

*Now Be it Therefore Resolved,* that we oppose ballot measures #75 and #78 and encourage our Colorado residents to decline to sign these petitions.

#### Sincerely,









### LOOKING FORWARD TO 2017

**GOAL** Establish Vital for Colorado as the preeminent voice for responsible energy development among key non-industry stakeholders.

#### Generate informational support for Colorado's energy industry

For the past few years, Coloradans have seen local campaigns aimed at limiting the energy industry, a Colorado Supreme Court decision reversing those bans and battles at the legislature. As residents learn more about the energy industry and its impact on our daily lives and the economy, the more they appreciate the contributions by this important industry and its employees.

In 2016, Vital for Colorado organized, or helped support, approximately 100 events and presentations in conjunction with Coloradans for Responsible Energy Development. We'll continue to maintain a robust presence and expand that knowledge to more economic sectors and businesses with Vital for Colorado taking the lead among non-industry stakeholders.

We're already building a new training platform aimed at expanding Coloradans knowledge of the energy industry and looking to deploy that throughout our coalition and future partners.

#### Build a robust digital community

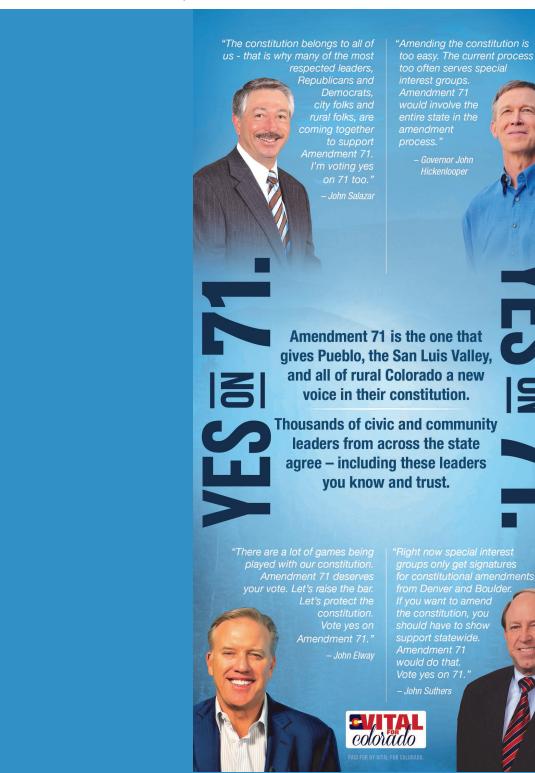
In 2016, we expanded Vital's presence through our partnership with the Colorado Business Roundtable's Connect and Collaborate radio program. Vital for Colorado's Chairman Peter Moore hosts a regular program on AM 1690 KDMT featuring business and energy leaders focused on telling their stories about why they support Colorado's energy development sector. In its first year, we've featured most of Vital for Colorado's board members and other leaders like the U.S. Chamber's President and CEO of The Institute for 21st Century Energy Karen Harbert, Colorado Oil and Gas Association's President and CEO Dan Haley and Colorado Senate President Bill Cadman.

#### In 2017, we'll continue this partnership highlighting more guests and proponents of responsible energy development.



### VITAL FOR COLORADO SAYS YES ON AMENDMENT 71

Vital for Colorado was an early supporter of Amendment 71 that aimed to make it more difficult to amend Colorado's constitution. Representing businesses and industry across the state, Vital saw Colorado's constitution threatened regularly from divisive and costly proposals that threatened the health of our economy.



### THANK YOU TO OUR POWER LUNCH SPONSORS

Vital for Colorado partnered with our restaurant coalition members to drive oil and gas industry employees out to lunch. As the sponsor of the initiative, our aim is to illustrate the financial benefits of the oil and gas industry on the state's economy.

Broomfield Begier's Health Bar Buenos Tiempos

Calhan Park Street Grill & Bar

#### Centennial

Dad & Dude's International, Dad & Dude's Breweria, Dude's Brews

> Colorado Springs Louie's Pizza, Inc.

> > Craig

Carelli's Pizzeria & Pasta Mathers Bar & Café

#### Denver

BrewShine BBQ & Tap House Charcoal Restaurant DiFranco's Greedy Hamster Joe Taco Food Cart Komotodo Sushi Burrito Max Market Panzano Revelry Kitchen Rialto Café Taziki's Café

> Evans Lit'l Bit Bar and Grill

> > Evergreen A Tavola

#### Fort Lupton

House of Smoke Inc Wholly Stromboli

Fort Morgan Frankie's Coffee

#### **Grand Junction**

Blue Moon Bar & Grill Culinary Corner Enstrom Candies, Inc. Juct'n Square Pizza Starvin Arvin's Restaurant, Inc. Holidays Grill

# **POWER** LUNCH

Greeley Bulldog Deli and Pizza Kenney's Steak House

> Hudson The Pepper Pod

Johnstown Johnstown's Lunch Box Santiagos

Kersey Pizza

#### Lafavette

Eagle's Wing Natural Bison Reelfish Fish & Chips La Salle Armadillo

Limon

South Side Food & Drink Littleton Bacco Trattoria Roberts Italian Restaurant Longmont Mac's Place

> Loveland Wonderful Dragon

#### Meeker

Smokin'101 BBQ Cuppa Joe @ Wendlls Meeker Café Mexican House Meeker

Montrose Jasmine's Coffee & Tea Café

> Morrison The Fort Restaurant

> > Northglenn Taziki's Café

Parachute Mama's Restaurant

#### Rifle

Colorado Kitchens, LTD Jay's Butcher Block Jay's Steakhouse Nachos Mexican Fine Dining

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### 2016 FINANCIALS

### INCOME

| Contributions   | 1,775,665.04 |   |
|-----------------|--------------|---|
| Interest Income | 105.43       | 1 |
| Total Income    | 1,775,770.47 |   |

### EXPENSES

| Education/Outreach<br>Media/Website | 956,667.00<br>24,108.03 |          |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------------|----------|
| Legal Fees                          | 1,674.45                | <u> </u> |
| Memberships/Sponsorships            | 754,871.00              |          |
| Total Overhead                      | 19,883.35               |          |
| Total Expenses                      | 1,757,203.83            |          |
| Net Income                          | 18,566.64               |          |

