# LARAMIE, WY

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## The Other Rectangular State



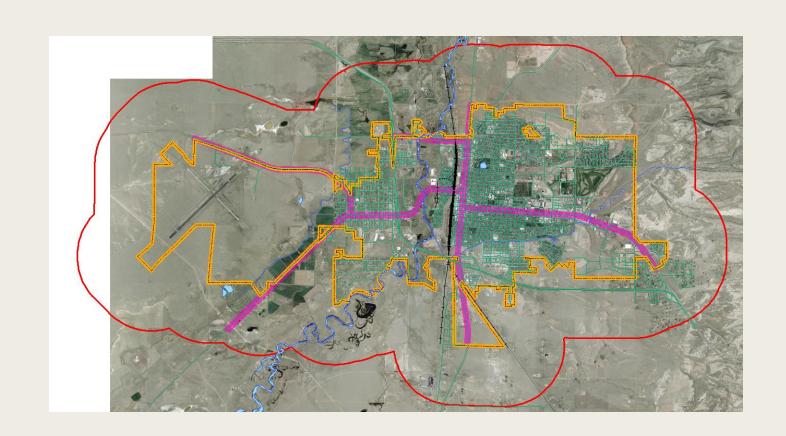


#### Where's Laramie?





## Laramie's Twilight Zone





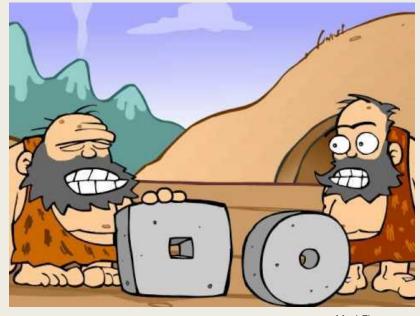
#### Confusing ETJs

- Within 5 miles (as the crow flies) enforcement of health or quarantine ordinances and regulations (repealed July 1, 2013)
- In all matters excepting taxation within 3 one-half (1/2) mile of the corporate limits of the city. (modified July 1, 2013)
- County subdivision review within one-mile of a City (survived legislation to repeal 2017 session)
- Master Planning. If the plan involves territory outside the city or town, action shall be taken with the concurrence of the board of county commissioners or county planning commission, or other municipal legislative body concerned.



#### 5-mile jurisdiction

- Original intent guard communities against infectious diseases
- Most recent application Regulate fireworks stands, use of fireworks
- Urban Renewal Ability
- Repealed in 2013

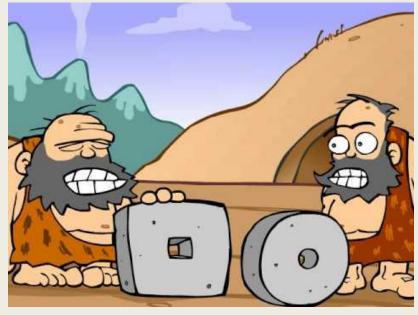


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#### ½-mile jurisdiction

- Original intent (stories vary)
- Most recent application
  - Require refuse disposal at landfill
  - Law enforcement investigation
  - Fire protection
  - Medical response
- Weakened in 2013

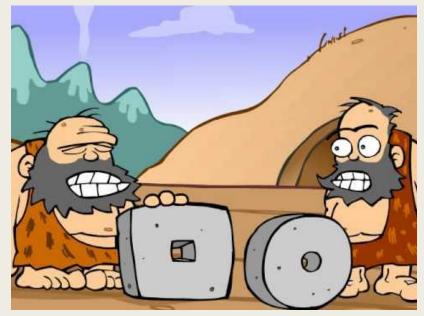


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# Extraterritorial Subdivision Review

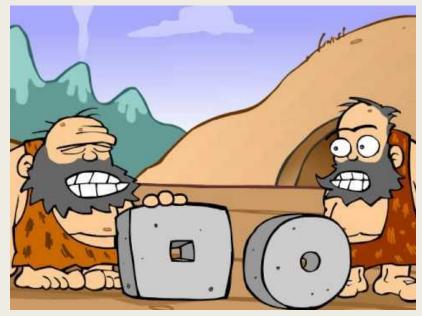
- Original intent (stories vary)
- Most recent application
  - Review County subdivisions
- Limited Scope:
  - Right-of-way dedication
  - Conformance with Major Street Plan
  - Pave major roads
  - Review Street naming
  - Utility Easements
- Threatened in 2017



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#### Master Planning

- Original intent (stories vary)
- Most recent application
  - Major Street Plan
  - 2007 Comprehensive Plan
  - 2016 Parks and Recreation
     Master Plan



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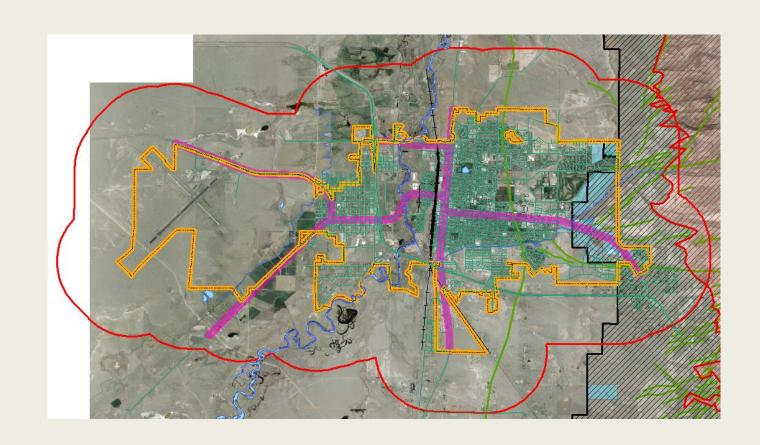
## City / County Conflict

- Development Pressures
  - Large Lot Development
  - Water Quality Concerns
  - Private Property Concerns





## Aquifer Protection





#### **Aquifer Protection**

- Casper Aquifer
  - Shallow aquifer
  - Provides City 60% of its water
  - Provides County residents in the area 100% of their water
- Conflicting development expectations and requirements
- Legislative changes in authority 2013



2013 STATE OF WYOMING

13LSO-0337.E1 ENGROSSED

HOUSE BILL NO. HB0085

Municipal jurisdiction-extraterritorial authority.

Sponsored by: Representative(s) Moniz, Baker, Burkhart,
Davison, Greear, Paxton and Semlek and
Senator(s) Case, Geis and Hicks

#### A BILL

for

- 1 AN ACT relating to municipalities; repealing five (5) mile
- 2 extraterritorial jurisdiction for enforcement of health or
- 3 quarantine ordinances and regulations; subjecting one-half
- 4 (1/2) mile extraterritorial jurisdiction asserted by
- 5 municipal ordinance to county commissioner resolution; and
- 6 providing for an effective date.

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8 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Wyoming:

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10 Section 1. W.S. 15-3-202(b) (ii) is amended to read:

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- 12 15-3-202. Mayoral veto; messages; jurisdiction beyond
- 13 corporate limits; exception.

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(b) The mayor has such jurisdiction as may be vested

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16 in him by ordinance:

v ordinance:

HB0085

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2 (ii) In all matters excepting taxation within

3 one-half (1/2) mile of the corporate limits of the city.

4 The board of county commissioners of any county containing

5 any area over which jurisdiction has been asserted pursuant

6 to this paragraph may enact a resolution nullifying the

7 ordinance as to any unincorporated area of the county

8 subject to the ordinance. Upon the effective date of the

9 resolution the ordinance shall no longer be effective as to

10 the unincorporated area of the county specified in the

11 resolution.

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13 Section 2. W.S. 15-3-202(b)(i) is repealed.

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15 Section 3. This act is effective July 1, 2013.

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17 (END)

#### **Present Application**

#### 5-mile jurisdiction

- Gone
- Repealed 2013

#### ½ mile zoning authority

County Resolution nullified

#### **Extraterritorial Subdivision Review**

- Intact yet undefined
- Survived recent legislation

#### Master Planning

Continues in its archaic form



### Comprehensive Planning

- One Mile Jurisdiction
- Limited Scope
- Requires Concurrence



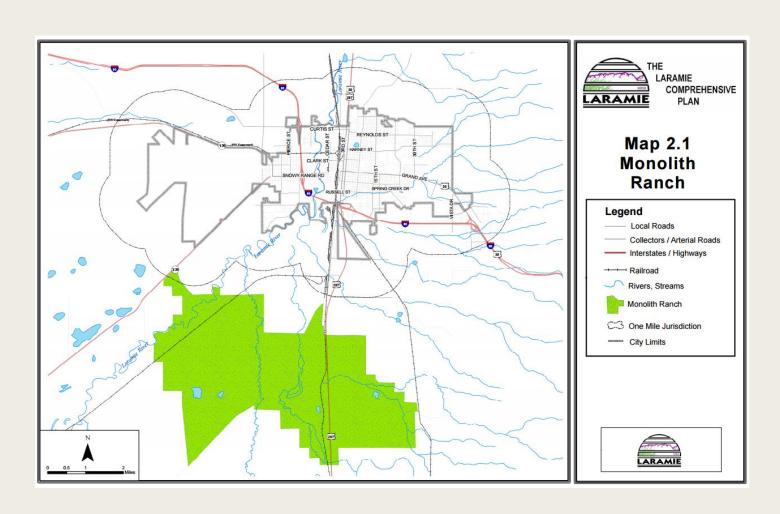
#### Concurrence

- 15-1-503. Master plan; adoption; concurrent action; contents; amendment.
  - (a) The commission, after holding public hearings, shall adopt and certify to the governing body a master plan for the physical development of the municipality. If the plan involves territory outside the city or town, action shall be taken with the **concurrence** of the board of county commissioners **or** county planning commission, or other municipal legislative body concerned.



#### Concurrence

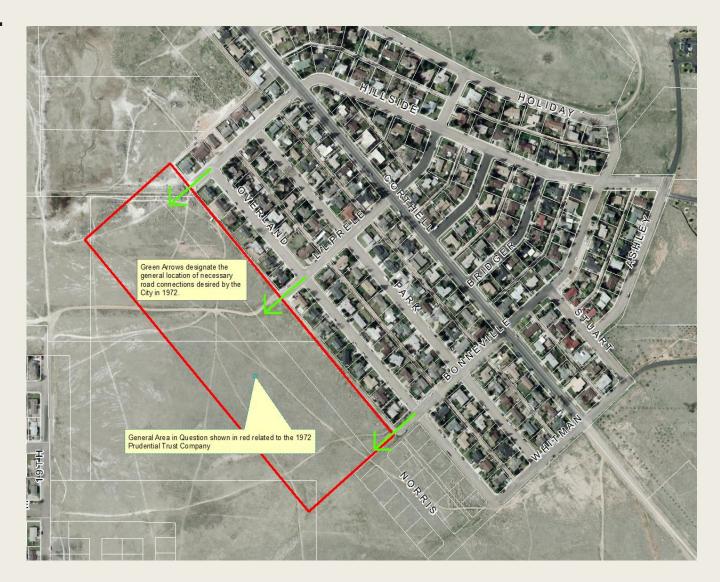
- Affects of non-concurrence?
  - Inability to Plan in Urban
     Growth Area
  - Major Street Plan
  - Land Use Plan
- City-owned County Property





## Case Study #1

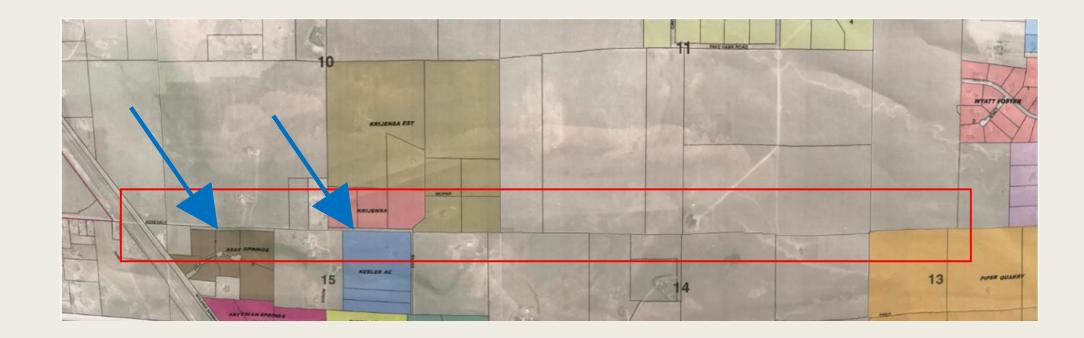
- Prudential Land Trust vs. City of Laramie
  - County Development
  - Preserve Road network and utility corridors





## Case Study #2

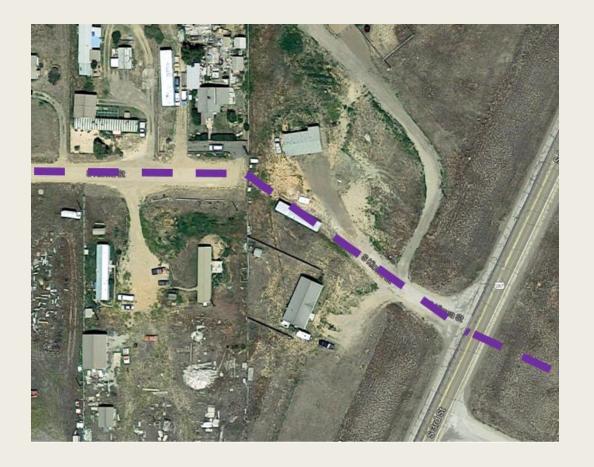
- Enforcement of the Major Street Plan
  - Rights-of-way vs. Easements
  - City Involvement = ROW Dedication





## Case Study #3

- County Building Permit Review
  - No City review requirement
  - Structure built in future road
     ROW
  - Alerted at subdivision





#### Importance of Involvement

- Watershed Protection
- Orderly Growth
- Future Infrastructure Expansion costs
- **■** Future Maintenance Costs
- Compatible Growth
- Quality Control



#### Next Steps

- Continue Relationship with County Planning
- Statewide Approach to Revised Statutes
- Collaboration with Key Officials
- MOUs and Agreements
  - Zoning
  - Water
  - Sewer



### Questions?

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