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Emissions testing for gasoline vehicles is returning to Larimer and Weld Counties

Ensure that your repair business is prepared to serve your customers-

Attend a Repair Industry informational meeting on emissions in the next month!!

Informational meetings on the startup of enhanced emissions testing will be held in Greeley, Fort Collins and Loveland over the next four weeks. In order to be prepared for the opportunities and challenges this will bring to your business, be sure to have at least one manager or one technician attend one of these meetings.

What/Who: A three-hour meeting to provide information to gasoline vehicle service shop owners, managers, repair technicians, and service advisors. Background information on both the customer service and emissions diagnosis/ repair aspects of the new emissions program will be provided.

When: These meetings will be held in the evening from 6:30 – 9:30 PM. There is no cost to attend a meeting.

Where: Plan on attending *one* of the following locations/dates:

~~-Tuesday August 24th - Greeley **Full**~~
~~-Thursday August 26th - Fort Collins **Full**~~
-Tuesday August 31st - Loveland
~~-Wednesday September 1st - Greeley **Ful**~~
-Tuesday September 7th - Fort Collins

Why: Emissions testing is scheduled to begin November 1, 2010. A major public relations effort targeting vehicle owners in Larimer and Weld Counties begins in early September. Motorists will seek out repair shops and technicians, looking for both information and emissions repairs. ***Be prepared for this customer demand.***

How: RSVP to (303) 692-3121 to sign up to attend one of these meetings. Space is limited, so please, no drop-ins. RSVP soon!

The agenda for this meeting is on the back of this notice. These meetings are need-to-know background information for automotive service professionals. This is not technical training on diagnostic and repair strategies, which will be made available at a later date. Attendance at these meetings is voluntary, but highly encouraged.

Colorado Emissions Testing Facts and Information:

Affected Vehicles- Gasoline powered vehicles four years old and older (including alternative fueled and flex fueled SI vehicles). Gasoline/electric hybrid vehicles are exempt. All vehicles registered *or primarily operated* in the program area must comply

Program area- See Maps

Larimer County – Wellington south and Drake/Stove Prairie East (Range 71). Estes Park will join the program area at a later date.

Weld County - Eaton/Severance south and Greeley Airport west. NOTE: the Weld County eastern boundary varies - all of Greeley metro is in, Gilcrest, Peckham and Plattville are out, but the rest of western Weld County, south to the Adams/Broomfield County line is in. Look at the map.

Inspection Frequency- Biennial (every other year) for all model year 1982 and newer vehicles. Model year 1981 and older vehicles are required to be inspected annually. The registration renewal postcard for each vehicle has a message stating “Emissions Test Is Required”, “Emission Test is Not Required”, or “Passed Roadside Emissions”

When is it Due?- Emissions testing must be complete before the vehicle’s registration is renewed, generally every other year (see **Frequency** above). Beginning with registrations due in November 2010, a test will be required, on an odd-even year/model year cycle

For example, 2010 is an even-numbered year, so for November and December 2010 registration renewals, all eligible even numbered model year vehicles re-registering in those months must comply. In January and for the rest of 2011, odd-numbered model year vehicles must comply as their registrations come due.

What if a vehicle fails?-Failing Vehicles must be repaired to pass. Repairs are not regulated, so any shop/technician may repair the vehicle. One free retest is granted within 10 days.

Cost? Test cost is \$25. Your customers will have to drive vehicles to and from the test station. Any failing vehicles will incur repair costs. Registration fees go up by \$2.20 per vehicle to fund county and state program operations.

Where are the testing Stations? There are four stations under construction.

Fort Collins – I 25 and CO 14

Greeley – 34 Bypass and 28th Avenue

Loveland – Highway 287 near 70th Avenue **Dacono** at I25 exit 235, north of the salvage yard

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