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**NORTH METRO FIRE RESCUE DISTRICT
APPROVES A CONSERVATIVE APPROACH WITH 2010 BUDGET**

Northglenn/Broomfield, CO— The North Metro Fire Rescue District Board has approved the 2010 Budget acknowledging that challenging economic conditions facing our country and local community will continue to impact the Fire District for at least another year. As a result, the 2010 Fire District Budget will only have a 0.7% increase. The Fire District will take a frugal approach holding controllable program expenses and cutting back when possible to help reduce the impacts of increased costs in utilities and building maintenance.

The operating expenses for the 2010 budget will hold at 2008 levels with few exceptions. There will be no new programs or services initiated in 2010 and limited emergency equipment will be purchased. All existing programs and emergency services will continue.

“With efficiency in mind, the Fire District will treat 2010 as a year to concentrate on program evaluation and on-going improvement. We will work proactively to hold the line with our day-to-day expenses,” said Robert Kammerzell, North Metro Fire Rescue

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District Board President. “In addition, the Fire District will continue to spend the previously designated funds to complete Fire Station #67 and the Administration Complex as approved in the 2006 Bond Issue approved by Fire District voters.”

In 2009, counties across Colorado underwent a revaluation of property values. The Fire District’s funding is determined by the value of the properties within Fire District boundaries. The 2009 revaluation which will impact property tax receipts to fund emergency services in 2010 and 2011 led to an increase of less than 1%.

If residents of North Metro Fire Rescue District would like additional information on the 2010 Budget, they may request a copy in person at the Fire District Headquarters building, located at 10550 Huron Street in Northglenn.

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About North Metro Fire Rescue District

North Metro Fire Rescue is dedicated to your quality care. North Metro Fire Rescue provides fire protection, emergency medical services, hazardous materials response and rescue services to our community. Formed in 1946, the district now covers 63 square miles with a population of approximately 103,000 people including the City and County of Broomfield, the City of Northglenn and unincorporated areas of Boulder, Adams and Jefferson Counties.