

Be Bear Aware!

Ridgway, CO – Bear activity is picking up in Ridgway. Residents are encouraged to be bear aware and minimize the risk of bear-human interactions. Human-bear conflicts will increase when residents leave food sources outside of their homes. Trash, recycling, and compost bins are common sources of food for foraging bears. Pet food, bird feeders, and outdoor cooking equipment such as grills and barbecues also attract bears to the home.



The Town of Ridgway urges all residents to remove food sources from their yards, vehicles, and other human-occupied areas to reduce the likelihood of bear interaction. Residents should remember to keep garage doors closed as well as ground level doors and windows closed and locked, especially when not home. Locking car doors is also recommended.

The Ridgway Marshal's Office should be contacted if a bear is in a trash can, is in close proximity to a house, is near children, or appears to be a threat to domestic animals by calling 911. For more information, contact the Ridgway Marshal's Office at 970-626-5196.

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