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**April 28, 2016**

**Subject:** Big Splash at the Water Works  
**Date:** Saturday, June 11, 2016, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.  
**Location:** The 1883 Water Works  
2005 N. Overland Trail  
Fort Collins, CO 80521

Poudre Landmarks Foundation invites the public to its annual Big Splash at the 1883 Fort Collins Water Works on June 11 at 2005 N. Overland Trail. This free event is a Fort Collins favorite that offers fun for all ages. Take a journey into the past and discover how this facility began delivering our most precious resource to an eager town in 1883.

Sponsored by Poudre Landmarks Foundation, which oversees ongoing restoration of this regional water interpretive center, the event includes:

- Tours of the historic buildings
- Bucket brigade, fire engine, and history booth from Poudre Fire Authority
- Water trivia games and activities from the City of Fort Collins
- Blacksmithing demonstration
- Gold panning
- Food truck, The Road Grill, selling roadhouse-style food
- Onsite plein air painting by a local artist

Commemorating the month the facility first delivered water to Fort Collins in June 1883, the Big Splash event is free to the public. Donations are welcome and go toward the nonprofit Poudre Landmarks Foundation's mission to preserve, restore, protect, and interpret the architectural and cultural heritage of the Fort Collins area.

Extra bike racks will be available for visitors who stop by while enjoying Fort Collins' many bike trails.

For more information about the Big Splash, email [poudrelandmarks@gmail.com](mailto:poudrelandmarks@gmail.com), call (970) 221-0533, or visit [poudrelandmarks.org](http://poudrelandmarks.org).

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#### **About Poudre Landmarks Foundation**

Poudre Landmarks Foundation (PLF) manages two City of Fort Collins–owned historical properties—the 1879 Avery House and the 1883 Water Works—and offers numerous educational activities in Fort Collins. PLF envisions a community that understands, appreciates, and values its past, with a mission to preserve, restore, protect, and interpret the architectural and cultural heritage of the Fort Collins area.

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