

# Wayne Allard

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## ALLARD SUPPORTS V.A. DECISION ON FORT LYON SAYS PLAN PUTS VETERANS HEALTH CARE OVER BUILDINGS

Washington, D.C. – U.S. Senator Wayne Allard said today that he supports the plan submitted by the Veterans Administration to close Fort Lyon in Las Animas, Colorado. Allard was notified by the V.A. of their formal decision to close the facility on Wednesday afternoon.

“I have always supported veterans over buildings,” Allard said. “The Veterans Administration (VA) has established a plan that will use the annual \$8.6 million in savings from the closure of Fort Lyon to provide better service to Colorado’s veterans through outpatient clinics in La Junta, Lamar and Alamosa.”

“I am also pledging my support to work with Governor Bill Owens, State Senator Mark Hillman and Representative Ken Kester to assure a smooth transition for the future use of Fort Lyons,” added Allard. “The community of Las Animas can be assured we will be working together to make sure the transition is expeditious to both the community and those veterans currently served at Fort Lyon.”

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