



HISTORY OF WELD COUNTY TOWNS

GOWANDA – 1910

Unincorporated Communities and Populated Place in Current Weld County

The Gowanda townsite was platted in 1910 on the Union Pacific Railroad line that began in Firestone and ended at Gowanda. It was likely named for the town of Gowanda, Erie County, New York.

Gowanda's post office opened in 1915 and closed in 1930, partly because it had trouble competing against Platteville and the more established towns on the eastern side of the South Platte River. The Gowanda site is located on today's Weld County Road 30, approximately a six minute drive west of Platteville.

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