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## New DEQ District Engineer for Northeastern Utah

SALT LAKE CITY – The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) has hired Nathan Hall as the new District Engineer to serve the tri-county area of northeastern Utah.

For the last five years Hall has been working as an environmental engineer with DEQ's Division of Drinking Water, managing projects in the construction assistance section. Prior to working for DEQ, he worked in the private sector as a consulting engineer. He has a civil engineering degree from University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

Hall begins his duties on Nov. 1 representing DEQ in helping Uintah, Duchesne and Daggett counties with environmental issues. District Engineer Scott Hacking, who lives in Price and has been covering the region, will focus on issues in southeastern Utah.

"I've been intrigued with the District Engineer position since I learned it existed shortly after moving from Las Vegas to Cedar City," Hall said. "I am excited for this opportunity and am looking forward to moving to Vernal and working with DEQ and the Health Department.

DEQ employs four engineers, each one assigned to different corners of the state to assist local health departments and communities with ensuring the tap water is clean, sewer systems are working, and environmental messes are cleaned up.

Brad Johnson, deputy director of DEQ, is pleased that Hall has accepted the position. "Nathan has the expertise to meet the needs of a large region faced with some environmental challenges."

Hall is in the process of moving to Vernal with his family.

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### About DEQ

Established in 1991, the Utah Department of Environmental Quality's (DEQ) mission is to safeguard public health and quality of life by protecting and enhancing the environment. DEQ implements state and federal environmental laws and works with individuals, community groups and businesses to protect the quality of Utah's air, land and water. For more information, visit [www.deq.utah.gov](http://www.deq.utah.gov), follow DEQ on Facebook ([utahdeq](https://www.facebook.com/utahdeq)) and Twitter ([UtahDEQ](https://twitter.com/UtahDEQ)), or call 1-800-458-0145.