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Department of Environmental Quality Unveils Website Redesign

New features improve site navigation and content delivery

SALT LAKE CITY – The Utah Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) is pleased to announce the March 23 launch of the first phase of its [website](#) redesign. Long a trusted source of environmental information, the revamped DEQ website will make this information even easier to access from desktop and mobile devices.

Nearly three years in the making, the new web design responds to constituent and staff comments about difficulties navigating the website to locate DEQ's online resources. The website upgrade, the product of extensive research, agency rebranding, and input from stakeholders and employees, offers:

- Enhanced user experience
- Easier site navigation
- Improved search functions
- Faster content publication and content updates
- Responsive design for mobile devices

“DEQ, as well as our customers, will benefit from our improved website,” said Executive Director Alan Matheson. “The web refresh advances our values of exceptional service, commitment to employees, credibility and trust, and continuous improvement.”

Conversion of the large volume of information on the DEQ website has required a phased approach. The web team has converted approximately 25 percent of the content to the new information management system and will continue to transfer legacy content into the new system. The ongoing conversion of the agency's encyclopedia-sized content into a more intuitive management system will help the public locate environmental information quickly and easily.

DEQ will begin its web upgrade Friday afternoon at 3 p.m. There will be temporary interruptions in service, and links and bookmarks will likely break during the upgrade process. The web team will be working throughout the weekend to address any issues that may arise. DEQ encourages the public to visit deq.utah.gov after the upgrade is complete to check out the site's new features, and tell us what you think.

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