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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY  
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
PUBLIC NOTICE TO REISSUE A UPDES PERMIT

**PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO DECLARE THE STATE OF UTAH'S INTENTION TO REISSUE A UTAH POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM (UPDES) PERMIT UNDER AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT, SECTION 19-5-104(9) AND 107(2), UTAH CODE ANNOTATED 1953, AS AMENDED. SAID "PERMIT" REFERS TO THE UPDES PERMIT AND THE FACT SHEET STATEMENT OF BASIS (INCLUDING TOTAL MAXIMUM DAILY LOADS (TMDL'S)) IF APPLICABLE, AS PER SECTION 303(D) OF THE FEDERAL CLEAN WATER ACT (CWA)].

**PERMIT INFORMATION**

PERMITTEE NAME:	Golden State Operating – Ashley Valley Unit
MAILING ADDRESS	10447 South Jordan Gateway, South Jordan, UT 84095
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	(801) 657-5708
FACILITY LOCATION:	Uintah County near Jensen, UT
UPDES PERMIT NO.:	UT000035
PERMITTED OUTFALLS	001 & 002
RECEIVING WATER:	Unnamed ditch with no mixing until it enters the Union Irrigation Canal and/or Ashley Creek tributary to the Green River

**BACKGROUND**

The Ashley Valley Unit (AVU) has a Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) Code 1311 for *crude petroleum and natural gas extraction*. Under normal operations the facility continuously discharges effluent, which is basically groundwater produced from the oil extraction activities pumped from nearby oil wells. The produced water is treated by both mechanical and gravity oil & water separation along with 3 retention ponds in series for settling purposes. Golden State Operating is located in California and has contracted with Summit Operating, LLC to act as a contract pumper and agent.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on April 9, 2015. Written public comments can be submitted to: Mike Herkimer, UPDES Engineering Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: [mherkimer@utah.gov](mailto:mherkimer@utah.gov). After considering public comment the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the permit issuance, revise it, or abandon it. The permit is available for public review under "Public Notices" at [www.waterquality.utah.gov/](http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/). If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Mike Herkimer at 801-536-4386.