

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT FOR CLEAN WATER ACT

PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE DRAFT 2016 INTEGRATED REPORT

The Division of Water Quality (DWQ) of the Utah Department of Environmental Quality is pleased to announce that the Draft 2016 Integrated Report (IR) on the conditions of Utah's surface waters of the State (e.g., streams, lakes, etc.) is open for public comment. To meet our obligations under the Clean Water Act, DWQ compiles all existing and readily available data every two years to identify the surface waters that meet and fail to meet the designated beneficial uses assigned to a waterbody in DWQ's water quality standards. Beneficial uses that are reported on in this Report include potential source of drinking water, primary and secondary contact recreation, aquatic life, and agriculture.

DWQ has extended the public comment period to 90 days. The draft Report, which includes the 303(d) Assessment Methodology, 305(b) assessment report, 303(d) list of impaired waters, and additional information that goes into generating the Report, is available for review and comment from June 10th to Thursday, September 8th, 2016. Copies of the Draft Report can be viewed at the offices of the Division of Water Quality, 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, UT or on the web at

<http://www.deq.utah.gov/ProgramsServices/programs/water/wqmanagement/assessment/currentIR2016.htm>

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