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# DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF RENEWAL OF UPDES PERMIT

## **PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the state of Utah's intention to renew a Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UDPES) Permit under authority of the Utah Water Quality Act, Section 19-5-104 and 107, Utah Code Annotated 1953, as amended. Said "permit" refers to UPDES Permit and the Fact Sheet and Statement of Basis (including the total maximum daily loads (TMDL's)) if applicable, as per Section 303 (d) of the Federal Clean Water Act (CWA).

#### PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Canyon Fuel Company, LLC – Dugout Canyon Mine

MAILING ADDRESS: PO Box 1029, Wellington, UT 84542

TELEPHONE NUMBER: 435-636-2887

FACILITY LOCATION: ~12 miles northeast of Wellington, Utah off Nine Mile Canyon Road

UPDES PERMIT NO.: UT0025593

PERMITTED OUTFALLS: 001, 002, 003, 004, 005, 006, & 007 RECEIVING WATERS: Dugout Creek & Pace Canyon Creek

### **BACKGROUND**

The Canyon Fuel Company's Dugout Canyon Mine (Dugout Mine) is an underground coal mine operation with Standard Industrial Classification 1222, for bituminous underground coal mining operations. It has a total of seven permitted discharge points (Outfalls 001 through 007). Outfalls 001 and 005 are mine water discharges to Dugout Creek and Pace Canyon Creek, respectively, and are the main discharges from Dugout Mine. Outfall 002 is from a sedimentation pond which collects surface water runoff from the main facility in Dugout Canyon and discharges to Dugout Creek. Outfall 003 is from a water storage tank that intermittently discharges to Dugout Creek when full. Outfalls 004 & 007 are from sedimentation ponds at the waste rock disposal site, which have not discharged to date due to their size. Outfall 006, which has also not discharged to date, is from a sediment pond trap that collects surface water runoff from the Pace Canyon fan portal breakout facility discharging to Pace Canyon Creek. This renewal permit will once again authorize discharges from the Dugout Mine Outfalls during the next five years.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on <u>July 10, 2020</u>. Written public comments can be submitted to: Jeff Studenka, UPDES Surface Water Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: <a href="jstudenka@utah.gov">jstudenka@utah.gov</a>. After considering public comment the Director may execute the permit issuance, revise it or abandon it. The permit is available for public review at <a href="https://deq.utah.gov/public-notices-archive/water-quality-public-notices">https://deq.utah.gov/public-notices-archive/water-quality-public-notices</a>. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Jeff Studenka at 801-536-4395.

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