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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY  
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PUBLIC NOTICE OF NORTH STAR RANCH EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT OFFER

**PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

THE PURPOSE OF THIS PUBLIC NOTICE IS TO SOLICIT COMMENT ON THE EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT OFFER (ESO) BETWEEN THE STATE OF UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY, DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY ("DIVISION") AND JTHOMAS HOMES. THE ESO CONTAINS PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STORM WATER RULES ON THE NORTH STAR RANCH CONSTRUCTION SITE IN GRANTSVILLE. THE ESO IS PROVIDED UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF THE UTAH WATER QUALITY ACT, TITLE 9, CHAPTER 5, SECTION 115.

**PERMIT INFORMATION**

NAME: EXPEDITED SETTLEMENT OFFER FOR NORTH STAR RANCH.

**BACKGROUND**

The Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) General Permit for Discharges from Construction Activities (Permit No. UTRC00000) authorizes owners and operators of construction activities that meet the requirements of Part 1 of this permit to discharge pollutants in accordance with specific effluent limitations and conditions. The owner and operator, JThomas Homes, obtained coverage under this general permit on March 26, 2018 and was assigned permit number of UTR385521.

The Division conducted an inspection of the construction site on March 4, 2019 in response to a complaint. The following violations were discovered during the inspection: the Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) was missing the activity description, sequencing of events, the map was missing six features that were found onsite, no stabilization measures were identified, and the SWPPP was not updated to match the condition of the site. Four storm drain inlet covers were damaged or incorrectly placed, and five vehicle entrances and exits were missing. Sediment was tracked out from five different lots, and the temporary washout container had failed and was discharging to the storm drain system.

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Expedited Settlement Offer is available for public review under “Public Notices” at [www.waterquality.utah.gov/](http://www.waterquality.utah.gov/). Written public comments can be submitted to: Ryan Curtin, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: [Rscurtin@utah.gov](mailto:Rscurtin@utah.gov). The deadline to receive comments is by close of business on Friday June 14, 2019. After considering public comment, the Division of Utah Water Quality will execute the Expedited Settlement Offer or revise it.

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