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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF SIERRA HOMES 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 SIERRA HOMES. THE ESO CONTAINS PENTALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STORM WATER RULES ON THE GRANITE RIDGE PHASE 1, RIVER VALLEY, AND SAVANNAH HEIGHTS CONSTRUCTION SITES IN BOX ELDER COUNTY. 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 GRANITE RIDGE PHASE 1, RIVER VALLEY, AND SAVANNAH HEIGHTS.

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, Sierra Homes, obtained coverage under this general permit on September 10, 2019 and was assigned permit numbers of UTRH96457, UTR396045, and UTR396101.

The Division conducted an inspection of the construction sites from August 29, 2019 through August 30, 2019 as part of routine DEQ inspections. The following violations were discovered during the inspection: Stucco washout and trash debris were dumped onsite, storm drain protection devices were not maintained, storm drain inlets were missing protection devices, vehicle exit points were not protected, and concrete washout was dumped improperly.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Expedited Settlement Offer is available for public review under "Public Notices" at <u>www.waterquality.utah.gov/</u>. 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: <u>Rscurtin@utah.gov</u>. The deadline to receive comments is by close of business on **30 DAYS FROM POSTING DATE**. After considering public comment, the Division of Utah Water Quality will execute the Expedited Settlement Offer or revise it.

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