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 CITY OF ST. GEORGE. THE ESO CONTAINS PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STORM WATER RULES ON THE SGWRF HEADWORKS AND UV DISINFECTION PROJECT CONSTRUCTION SITE IN ST. GEORGE, UTAH. 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 UPDES SGWRF HEADWORKS AND UV DISINFECTION PROJECT PERMIT NO. UTR386515

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, City of St. George, obtained coverage under this general permit on May 14, 2018 and was assigned permit number of UTR386515.

The Division conducted a random unannounced inspection of the construction site on January 29, 2019. The following violations were discovered during the inspection: the SWPPP sign was missing, the SWPPP map needed to be updated, silt fences required maintenance, a stabilized construction exit required maintenance, additional BMPs were needed to control sediments on site, inlet protection was not being maintained, stockpiles did not have perimeter controls, sediments were collecting on streets and in gutters on site, trash and construction debris were not cleaned-up, portable toilets were not properly secured or were placed within 10 feet of a gutter, concrete was washed out on the ground and disturbance occurred beyond the project footprint. The City of St. George ensured all violations were corrected after notification of the issues.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

The Expedited Settlement Offer is available for public review under “Public Notices” at www.waterquality.utah.gov/. Written public comments can be submitted to: Trisha Di Paola, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: tdipaola@utah.gov. The deadline to receive comments is by close of business on May 15, 2019. After considering public comment, the Division of Utah Water Quality will execute the Expedited Settlement Offer or revise it.