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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF WILD HORSE 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 RICHMOND AMERICAN HOMES. THE ESO CONTAINS PENTALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS OF THE STORM WATER RULES ON THE WILD HORSE RANCH CONSTRUCTION SITE IN TOOELE 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 WILD HORSE 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, Richmond American Homes, obtained coverage under this general permit on February 25, 2019 and was assigned permit number of UTR391481.

The Division conducted an inspection of the construction site on February 12, 2019 in response to a complaint. The following violations were discovered during the inspection: The site did not obtain proper permit coverage under the Construction General Permit (CGP), the site did not develop a Storm Water Pollution Prevention Plan (SWPPP) or keep a copy available onsite, the site did not perform the required inspections, no SWPPP signage was posted onsite, four storm drain inlets were missing inlet covers, a stucco operation spilled construction waste and process wastewater, sediment and mud were tracked from multiple disturbed lots to the road, the construction washout container was overflowing and had spilled, construction debris had spilled from the waste container, and the portable toilet was not staked down.

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: Ryan Curtin, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: Rscurtin@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.