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MEMORANDUM

TO: Water Quality Standards Workgroup

FROM: Chris Bittner, Chairperson

DATE: December 28, 2021

SUBJECT: Water Quality Standards Workgroup role for Utah Lake Nutrient Criteria

DWQ and others are engaged in an intensive effort to develop nutrient water quality criteria for Utah Lake. Implementation of these criteria will help to protect and restore the water quality of Utah Lake. Substantial progress continues to be made. Documents are available online at [Utah Lake Water Quality Study](#).

The criteria are being developed using a Steering Committee and Science Panel paradigm. As discussed in the [Stakeholder Process](#) (v. 10, 5/12/17),

“The expected product of the Phase 2 Utah Lake Study is the adoption of any necessary in-lake water quality criteria by the Utah Water Quality Board. DWQ will forward the recommendations from the Steering Committee and the Commission directly to the Water Quality Standards Work Group and the Utah Water Quality Board for their consideration.”

Work Group members will be provided with an opportunity to review any criteria. Prior to this review, Work Group members can become familiar with underlying science by reviewing the available documents and by attending meetings virtually.