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PUBLIC NOTICE OF PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO UTAH ADMINISTRATIVE CODE
R317-2, STANDARDS OF QUALITY FOR WATERS OF THE STATE

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to solicit public comment regarding the proposed amendments to Utah Administrative Code R317-2, Standards of Quality for Waters of the State. The proposed amendments include adding the triennial updates to the Colorado River Salinity Standards, changing the aquatic life use in a segment of the Jordan River, Salt Lake and Utah Counties, from Class 3A to Class 3B, and changes to total dissolved solids criteria for segments of Kanab Creek near Alton, Utah. Detailed explanations and supporting documents for the proposed amendments are posted on our website at: <https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-laws-and-rules-proposed-rule-changes> and will be published in the September 15, 2020 Utah Bulletin.

BACKGROUND

The Utah Water Quality Board is considering amendments to Utah Administrative Code R317-2, Standards of Quality for Waters of the State. After considering the comments received, the Board may adopt the proposed changes, revise the changes prior to adoption, or may choose not to adopt the amendments. If the Board decides to revise the changes, a Change in Proposed Rule will be filed with the Utah Division of Administrative Rules and public noticed.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline, the close of business on October 30, 2020. A public hearing will convene on Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 6:00-7:00 PM to accept comments. In accordance with federal and state directives regarding COVID-19, the hearing will be virtual and can be accessed at <https://utdeq.adobeconnect.com/publichearing/>. Written comments can be submitted to: Utah Division of Water Quality, Attn: Chris Bittner, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: cbittner@utah.gov.

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