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UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF 2023
WATER QUALITY STANDARDS TRIENNIAL REVIEW

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this notice is to declare a public comment period to solicit public and stakeholder comments on Utah's water quality standards and revisions to be considered for the 2023 triennial review.

BACKGROUND

To meet obligations under the Clean Water Act, the Division of Water Quality (DWQ) is required to review Utah's Water Quality Standards in Utah Administrative Code R317-2 (adminrules.utah.gov/public/rule/R317-2/Current%20Rules) at least once every three years. As part of this review, DWQ is soliciting input from the public and interested parties regarding standards topics to be considered during the review including any specific recommended changes to Utah's Standards of Quality for Waters of the State. When appropriate, the rationale and any supporting information should be included with the recommendations.

The DWQ will discuss the comments with the Utah Water Quality Standards Workgroup, inform the Utah Water Quality Board at a regularly scheduled meeting, and issue comment responses. More information, including a list of revisions currently being considered is available at deq.utah.gov/water-quality/triennial-review-water-quality.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on December 15, 2023. Written comments can be submitted by email to: Jake Vander Laan at jvander@utah.gov, or by mail to: Jake Vander Laan, Utah Division of Water Quality, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870.

PUBLIC HEARING

A public hearing to receive comments will be held on December 14, 2023, 6:00-7:00 PM, in the Red Rocks Conference Room 3132 on the 3rd floor at the Multi Agency State Office Building, 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, UT with virtual access available at meeting link https://utah-gov.zoom.us/j/87582829743?pwd=WVdlWUtZdjc0UzBOblJ1RERqMXpMdz09

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