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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY
PUBLIC NOTICE TO ISSUE A SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the State of Utah's intention to issue a Section 401 Water Quality Certification with Conditions under the authority of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341), and consistent with the Utah Water Quality Act, Title 19, Chapter 5, Utah Code Ann. 1953, as amended and Utah Administrative Code R317-15.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: US Bureau of Reclamation (Kent Kofford)
MAILING ADDRESS: 302 East Lakeview Parkway Provo, Utah 84606
PROJECT LOCATION: Latitude: 40.958644, Longitude: -111.407621
DWQ CERTIFICATION NO.: DWQ-2021-06001
WATERCOURSES: Echo Reservoir

BACKGROUND

The Project Proponent (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation [USBR]) owns Echo Reservoir and Dam and has an agreement with Utah State Parks to allow operation of a state park at the Echo Reservoir. The Echo Reservoir is located on the Weber River, which was created by the installation of Echo Dam. Echo Reservoir has a total storage capacity of approximately 74,000 acre-feet, a water surface area of 1,484 acres at full capacity, and a maximum depth of 102 feet. The USBR proposes to expand parking and day use areas in the Red Rock Marina and Day Use Area as part of the Echo State Park Recreation Development at Red Rock Marina Project (Project). Proposed activities include expanding parking and day use areas, resulting in 1.54 acres of impact. Portions of these areas would encroach into Echo Reservoir, below the ordinary high water mark (OHWM). After coordination and guidance from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, the Project Proponent agreed to source most (14,280 cubic yards [CY]) fill material placed below the OHWM from below the OHWM, within Echo Reservoir. Due to required fill material specifications, some (1,942 CY) would be sourced from above the OHWM (e.g. riprap). Construction is anticipated to begin summer 2021, ending in spring/early summer 2022.

Based on information provided by the Project Proponent, the overall Project purpose is to provide high-quality recreation experiences and diverse, developed camping opportunities while protecting water quality and natural, cultural, and other resources including Indian Trust Assets. The Project would also develop sustainable, adequate recreation facilities to meet current public demand and improve overall public recreation opportunities at Echo Reservoir. This would be accomplished through improving existing facilities in accordance with Federal recreation regulations. Activities associated with these improvements include boating, overnight camping, and day use.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on **July 28, 2021**. Written public comments can be submitted to: Meghan Albers, General Permitting Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: malbers@utah.gov. After considering public comments the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the Certification issuance, revise it or abandon it. The permit is available for public review under <https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-public-notice>. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Meghan Albers at 801-536-4193.