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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 Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Sacramento District

MAILING ADDRESS: 533 West 2600 South, Suite 150 Bountiful, Utah 84010

PROJECT LOCATION: Glen Canyon and Lake Mead National Recreation Areas in Garfield,

Kane and San Juan Counties, Utah

DWQ CERTIFICATION NO.: DWQ-2021-11001 WATERCOURSES: Waters of the US

#### **BACKGROUND**

The USACE Sacramento District proposes to issue Regional General Permit (RGP) 6 for U.S. National Park Service (NPS) Categorically Excluded Activities in Glen Canyon and Lake Mead National Recreation Areas (NRAs) for activities that have been determined by the NPS to be categorically excluded from further environmental documentation because the actions, under normal circumstances, are not considered major federal actions and that they will have no measurable impacts on the human environment. This RGP 6 is a modification of a previous version of the RGP which expired on September 22, 2019. The proposed issuance of RGP 6 is intended to be used to streamline the application and permitting process for routine maintenance activities, provide mitigation certainty for new construction projects, and authorize minor impact activities which do not qualify for issuance under a Nationwide Permit proposed by the NPS (Lake Mead and Glen Canyon NRA), who must obtain a USACE Permit before discharging dredged or fill materials into waters of the U.S. for categorically excluded activities.

# **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on November 26,

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<u>2021</u>. Written public comments can be submitted to: Leanna Littler-Woolf, General Permitting Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: <a href="mailto:lnlittler@utah.gov">lnlittler@utah.gov</a>. 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 <a href="https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-public-notices">https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-public-notices</a>. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Leanna Littler-Woolf at 801-536-4397.

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