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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 and Utah Administrative Code R317-15.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME: Jeremy Lapin, Saratoga Springs City
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PROJECT LOCATION: Saratoga Springs Marina, Saratoga Springs, Utah County Utah
DWQ CERTIFICATION NO.: DWQ-2022-02001
WATERCOURSES: Utah Lake

BACKGROUND

The Project Proponent proposes to discharge fill material into Utah Lake to construct a Jetty structure at the Saratoga Springs Marina. Fill material would consist of 8,470 cubic yards of riprap that would impact 0.95 acres of waters of the state. Riprap for the South Marina Jetty is made of limestone which is a carbonate rock. The Project Proponent indicated that due to qualities of limestone such as durability that it will not degrade or affect the water quality of Utah Lake, which is why they selected it for this project.

Based on the information provided by the Project Proponent, the project purpose is to provide additional recreational space; improve safety of non-motorized activities; facilitate emergency access to Utah Lake; and increase the overall capacity of the Saratoga Springs Marina. The Project Proponent indicated that the size of the Saratoga Springs Marina is not sufficient to accommodate the recreational demands. Additional beach, parking, boat docking, and boat launching space is needed. A new jetty would provide additional space for boating activities as well as provide protection for swimming and beach recreation. The project will also separate motorized and non-motorized vessels' lake access, which would increase safety within the marina. The project will provide an alternate location for emergency search and rescue teams to access

Utah Lake when needed, and provide additional safe harbor for boats during storms.

The proposed mitigation site encompasses approximately 5 acres and is located along the shoreline of Utah Lake. The site is approximately 2,100 feet long and 100 feet wide. The northern-most location is 40.314, -111.886. The permittee proposes to rehabilitate emergent marsh wetland. The proposed plan would result in 5 acres of rehabilitated emergent marsh wetland and a more manageable Utah Lake Shoreland. The wetlands within the proposed mitigation site are dominated by non-native and noxious weed species. Mitigation would include the removal of common reed, five-stamen tamarisk, and Russian olive. The establishment of the mitigation site would improve water quality, enhance valuable wetland habitat for wildlife, promote plant biodiversity, and provide flood and erosion control. The Project Proponent believes the construction and enhancement of wetlands within the mitigation site would contribute positively to the overall Utah Lake ecosystem.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on **March 14, 2022**. 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: wqcomments@utah.gov. After considering public comments the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the Certification issuance, revise it or abandon it. The Certification is available for public review under <https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-public-notices>. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Leanna Littler-Woolf at 801-536-4397.