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

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the State of Utah's intention to issue a §401 Water Quality Certification with Conditions under the authority of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341), and consistent is 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: MAILING ADDRESS: PROJECT LOCATION: DWQ CERTIFICATION NO.: WATERCOURSES: Utah Department of Transportation 4501 South 2700 West, Taylorsville, UT 84129 Latitude: 40.33296°, Longitude: -111.76475° DWQ-2020-06003 Linden Hollow Creek & Freshwater Marsh Wetlands adjacent to Utah Lake

BACKGROUND

The applicant is proposing to discharge fill material into waters to construct an extension and access road of the UTA FrontRunner commuter rail track. This approximately two-mile, double-track extension is being constructed to improve operations by extending an existing double track and would also serve the planned Vineyard commuter rail station that is being designed and constructed in conjunction with this project; however, the station would be built in uplands. The project includes a new set of tracks and a new single-lane access road on the west side of the existing FrontRunner tracks from approximately FrontRunner milepost S33.9 to milepost S35.8. The project would include approximately 8,560 feet of new track construction, construction of a new signal house, and a new single-lane access road to allow for maintenance of the signal equipment. In addition, the project would also require a temporary construction access road and truck turnaround. The total area of wetlands directly impacted by the new rail would be 1.04 acres. The proposed project would permanently impact 1.77 acres of freshwater marsh wetland and 15 linear feet (0.005 acre) of Lindon Hollow Creek, and temporarily impact 1.92 acres of freshwater marsh wetland. The applicant has proposed to deduct 1.75 credits from the UDOT Northern Utah County Mitigation Bank.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on <u>August 28, 2020</u>. Written public comments can be submitted to: Leanna Littler, UPDES Surface Water Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: <u>Inlittler@utah.gov</u>. _After considering public comment the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the Certification issuance, revise it or abandon it. The permit is available for public review under <u>https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/water-quality-public-notices</u>. If internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Leanna Littler at 801-536-4397.

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