**UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

**DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY**

**PUBLIC NOTICE OF THE DRAFT 2018/2020 303(d) Assessment Methods**

**for the COMBINED 2018/2020 Integrated report**

Purpose of Public Notice

The Division of Water Quality (DWQ) will be assessing the surface waters of the State (e.g., streams, lakes, etc.) to determine their support of designated beneficial uses for the combined 2018/2020 Integrated Report. The Integrated Report is submitted every two years for Environmental Protection Agency approval and includes the 305(b) assessment report and the 303(d) list of impaired waters. Utah’s Beneficial Uses are designated as drinking water, recreation, aquatic wildlife, agriculture and the Great Salt Lake (Utah Administrative Code R317-2-6). DWQ monitoring teams and cooperators collect water quality data that is used for evaluating the water quality of surface waters. To assist DWQ in making assessment decisions, we are soliciting comments on the 2018/2020 draft 303(d) assessment methods.

Public Comments

Public comments are invited any time prior to close of business on December 7, 2018. If public comments are submitted electronically, they must be submitted through the [web submission form](https://deq.utah.gov/legacy/programs/water-quality/monitoring-reporting/assessment/draft-2020-methodology-for-integrated-report.htm). If internet access is not available, please contact Jodi Gardberg at (801) 536-4372.

Further Information

The draft 2018/2020 303(d) assessment methods are posted on DWQ’s Assessment website at <https://deq.utah.gov/legacy/programs/water-quality/monitoring-reporting/assessment/draft-2020-methodology-for-integrated-report.htm>. Paper copies are also available at DWQ at 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, UT.

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