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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF 2020 Water Quality Standards Triennial Review

## PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare a public comment period to solicit public and other stakeholder comments on water quality standards revisions to be considered during the 2020 water quality standards triennial review.

## **BACKGROUND**

To meet our obligations under the Clean Water Act, the Division of Water Quality is required to review Utah's Water Quality Standards in <u>Utah Administrative Code R317-2</u> at least once every three years. As part of this review DWQ is soliciting input from the public and interested parties regarding standards topics to be considered during the review including any specific changes to Utah's Standards of Quality for Water of the State. When appropriate, the rationale and any supporting information should be included with the recommendations.

The Division of Water Quality will discuss the comments with the Usha Water Quality Standards Workgroup, inform the Utah Water Quality Board at a regularly scheduled meeting, and then issue comment responses. More information, including a list of revisions currently being considered is available at <a href="https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/triennial-review-water-quality">https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/triennial-review-water-quality</a>

## **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline, the close of business on October 30, 2020. A public hearing will convene on Wednesday, October 21, 2020, 6:00-7:00 PM to accept comments. In accordance with federal and state directives regarding COVID-19, the hearing will be virtual and can be accessed at <u>https://utdeq.adobeconnect.com/publichearing/</u>. Written comments can be submitted to: Utah Division of Water Quality, Attn: Chris Bittner, P.O. Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: <u>cbittner@utah.gov</u>.

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