

# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN WATER USE AND WATER RIGHTS POLICY FOR SOUTHEASTERN UTAH?

THE FOLLOWING WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC MEETINGS ARE BEING HELD BY THE STATE ENGINEER'S OFFICE TO DISCUSS THE MOST RECENT LEGISLATION AND POLICY CHANGES IN WATER RIGHTS FOR SOUTHEASTERN UTAH

### WATER RIGHT CURRENTS

Learn about water right basic policy, current regional issues, and the most recent legislative and policy changes.

- Proof Affidavits
- ➤ Non-Use Applications
- > Livestock Watering Rights on Public Land
- ➤ Q&A with Kent Jones, State Engineer

#### PROPOSED ENDANGERED FISH POLICY

Learn about the cooperative program to recover endangered fish in the Upper Colorado River while allowing Utah to proceed with development of its Colorado River Compact entitlement. Utah has a responsibility to legally protect flows to accomplish recovery and survival of the fish under the cooperative program. Discuss mechanisms to accomplish that objective on the Green River from Flaming Gorge Dam to the river's confluence with the Colorado River.

### **COLORADO RIVER POLICY REVIEW**

Learn about current Colorado River Basin Water Right Policy. Learn specifics about Utah's allotment of Colorado River water and its obligation under the Colorado River Compact. Discuss existing policy restrictions and potential future policy direction.

### UGS STUDY OF HYDROGEOLOGY OF MOAB-SPANISH VALLEY

Learn about ground-water conditions in Moab-Spanish Valley's valley-fill aquifer and recommendations for water-resource management and land-use planning.

### PROPOSED IRRIGATION DUTY POLICY

Learn about proposed policy changes affecting the irrigation duty recognized for parts of Grand and San Juan Counties.

## WILLIOW BASIN AND UPPER MILL CREEK APPROPRIATION POLICY

Learn about policy recommendations adopted for appropriation and regulation of water use in the Willow Basin and Upper Mill Creek drainages.

### FEDERAL RESERVED WATER RIGHT PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT FOR ARCHES NATIONAL PARK

Learn about a proposed water rights settlement agreement recognizing Federal Reserved Water Rights for Arches National Park. Discuss settlement concepts and the practical implications of adopting proposed protection zones outside the park.

### **SEPT. 29 – TUESDAY 6:00 p.m.**

### PRICE - CEU Alumni Room

JENNIFER LEAVITT STUDENT CENTER; 500 NORTH 300 EAST

6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Workshop with Catered Dinner (\$15 - hosted by Castleland RC&D) – RSVP by September 21 to:

WATER RIGHT CURRENTS melissa.swasey@ut.nacdnet.net / 435-381-2300 ext. 101

7:30 – 8:30 p.m. Public Meeting

ENDANGERED FISH POLICY / COLORADO RIVER POLICY

SEPT. 30 – WEDNESDAY 10:00 a.m. GREEN RIVER – Green River City Hall 460 EAST MAIN

**Public Meeting** 

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SEPT. 30 – WEDNESDAY 2:30 p.m. MOAB - Grand Center 182 NORTH 500 WEST

### **Public Meeting**

UGS SPECIAL STUDY 120 "The Hydrogeology of Moab-Spanish Valley" / IRRIGATION DUTY / WILLOW BASIN APPROPRIATION POLICY / UPPER MILL CREEK APPROPRIATION POLICY / WATER RIGHT CURRENTS / ENDANGERED FISH POLICY / ARCHES WATER RIGHT AGREEMENT / COLORADO RIVER POLICY