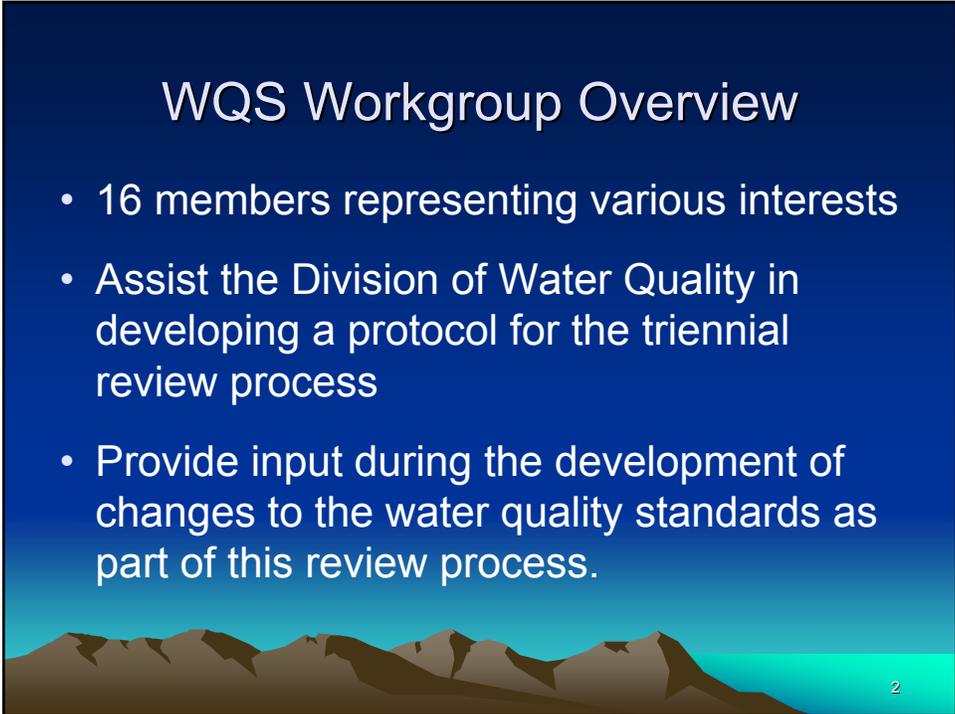


Water Quality Standards Workgroup



WQS Workgroup Overview

- 16 members representing various interests
 - Assist the Division of Water Quality in developing a protocol for the triennial review process
 - Provide input during the development of changes to the water quality standards as part of this review process.
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WQS Workgroup Members

1	DWQ	William Moellmer	9	Grand Water & Sewer	Terry Sykes
2	DWQ	Ying-Ying Macauley	10	Central Utah WCD	Gerard Yates
3	USEPA	Dave Moon	11	Utah Mining Assn.	Lisa Kirschner
4	USFWS	Nathan Darnall	12	Utah Food Industries Assn.	Brad Rasmussen
5	DWR	Carmen Bailey	13	Utah Manufacturers Association	Kevin Murray
6	UDAF	Roy Gunnell	14	Utah Rivers Council	Merrit Frey
7	Central Davis Sewer	Leland Meyers	15	Trout Unlimited	Paul Dremann
8	SLC	Florence Reynolds	16	Utah Farm Bureau Federation	Mark Peterson

WQS Workgroup Meetings

- Seven monthly meetings scheduled:

Meeting Date & Time	Location
July 26, 2007, 1-3:30 p.m.	CHB Room 125
August 15, 2007, 2-5 p.m.	CHB Room 101
September 12, 2007, 1-5 p.m.	DEQ Room 201
October 17, 2007, 1-5 p.m.	CHB Room 125
November 14, 2007, 1-5 p.m.	DEQ Room 201
December 12, 2007, 1-5 p.m.	DEQ Room 201
January 16, 2008, 1-5 p.m.	CHB Room 125

- DWQ expects to initiate the rule-making process for revising water quality standards in early 2008.

Anticipated Time Frame of WQS Triennial Review (Phase I)

- **Present to Feb. 2008** – Solicit input from WQS Workgroup and the public; draft WQS rule changes
- **Feb. 15, 2008** – Present to WQB for approval to proceed with rule making
- **March 1, 2008** – File with DAR to initiate the rule-making process
- **March 15, 2008** – DAR publishes the proposed rule changes to Utah Bulletin. The clock of the 45-day public comment period starts.
- **May 1, 2008** – End of the 45-day public comment period
- **May 16, 2008** – Present to Water Quality Board for adoption of the rule as proposed (assuming no substantive changes to the original proposed rule languages; otherwise additional 60 days may be needed for “change in proposed rule”)
- The rule becomes effective immediately after the “Notice of Effective Date” is filed.

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Areas of Focus (Phase I)

- Antidegradation reviews
- Total dissolved solids (TDS) numeric standard
- E. coli numeric criteria vs. indicator value
- Primary & secondary recreation beneficial uses
- Define triennial review process
- Temperature and pH criteria for 3D waters
- Reclassifications and site specific criteria of TDS and dissolved oxygen as previously proposed
- Great Salt Lake segmentation

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Potential Topics (Phase II)

- Define assessment methodologies
- Define Use Attainability Analysis (UAA) Process
- Re-evaluate wetlands geographical boundaries and beneficial uses
- Develop wetlands assessment criteria
- Develop nutrient criteria
- Develop biological criteria
- Better defined narrative standards
- Address temporary impacts
- Re-evaluate WQ standards for lakes and reservoirs
- Re-evaluate WQ standards for Great Salt Lake segments

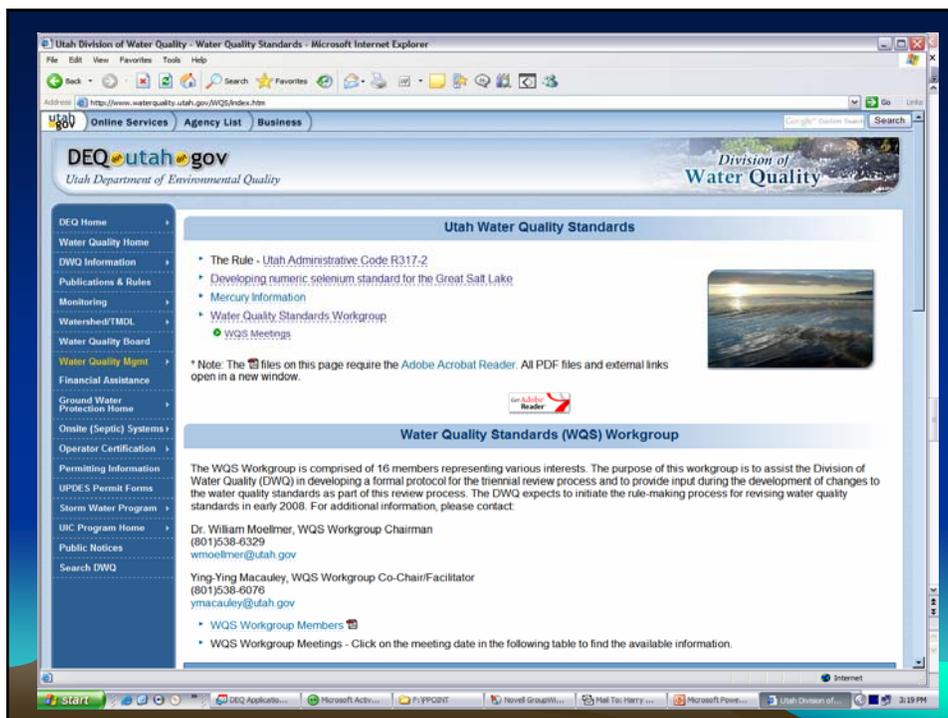
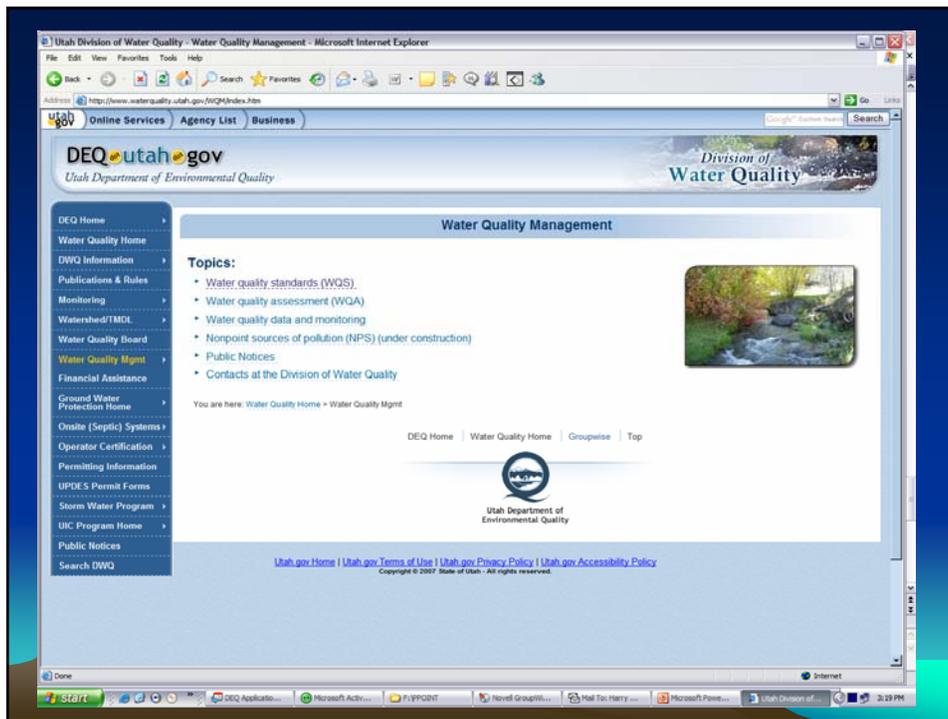
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Water Quality Standards Workgroup Meetings			
Date	Time	Location	Address
7/25/2007	1-4 p.m.	Cannon Health Bldg Room 125	288 N 1460 W, SLC
8/15/2007	2-5 p.m.	Cannon Health Bldg Room 101	288 N 1460 W, SLC
9/12/2007	1-5 p.m.	Dept. Environmental Quality Bldg #2 Room 201	168 N 1950 W, SLC
10/17/2007	1-5 p.m.	Cannon Health Bldg Room 125	288 N 1460 W, SLC
11/14/2007	1-5 p.m.	Dept. Environmental Quality Bldg #2 Room 201	168 N 1950 W, SLC
12/12/2007	1-5 p.m.	Dept. Environmental Quality Bldg #2 Room 201	168 N 1950 W, SLC
1/16/2008	1-5 p.m.	Cannon Health Bldg Room 125	288 N 1460 W, SLC

WQS Workgroup Meeting of 9/12/2007

- Agenda
- Summary of meeting process comments
- Comments from Utah Mining Association, Utah Manufacturers Association, and Utah Food Industries regarding WQS Workgroup meeting process
- Summary of priority issues identified by the WQS Workgroup members and DWQ
- Antidegradation Presentation by Dave Moon
- EPA Memorandum dated 8/10/2005 on Tier II antidegradation reviews
- Summary of antidegradation comments by WQS Workgroup members
- Summary of State-Adopted "Cumulative Degradation" Provisions by Dave Moon
- Meeting summary - (draft)
- Digital recording (MP3 files)

WQS Workgroup Meeting of 8/15/2007

- Agenda
- Meeting summary
- Digital recording Part 1 / Part 2 (MP3 files)
- Presentation by Ying-Ying Macauley

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