

## Water Quality Standards Work Group

Location: DWQ Cannon Health Bldg. Room 125

Date: April 21, 2008

Time: 1:30 pm

### Agenda Items

- Welcome: William Moellmer
  - Mr. Moellmer of the Division of Water Quality Opened the meeting and recognized all present. This meeting was call to give further input to the Water Quality Standards Workgroup with regards to proposed regulations to the Great Salt Lake and solicit discussion and comments.
  - All previous issues were again discussed and evaluated.
- Conclusive Discussion of previous issues
  - Proposed wording for triennial review: The wording for the proposed wording was reviewed. There were no changes nor suggestions on any possible improvements.
  - Flow chart of the triennial review process: The flow chart explains the wording and was helpful in illustrating the process to the members of the workgroup. It was felt the the flow chart was helpful.
  - Total Dissolved Solids [TDS]: Restoring the TDS standard to the single value of 1,200 mg/l to the pre-2003 rule value was reviewd and accepted by the group.
  - Contact Recreation – E. coli: The primary and secondary recreation definition of beneficial uses and the numeric standards for E. coli were discussed. The assessment procedure was explained and all felt that it was appropriate. The new examples were helpful in illustrating the intent of the beneficial use classification.
  - Use Classification Changes: There were several changes to waterbodies that were discussed with the members of the workgroup.
  - Antidegradation and Level I Off-Ramp Calculations: The Excel spreadsheet was discussed. The off-ramp calculations were demonstrated and explained. It was clearer to all to use the remaining assimilative capacity as a function of concentration instead of loadings since the water quality standards are based upon concentration.

- Great Salt Lake Issues: The segmentation of Great Salt Lake into 4 separate divisions was discussed. The Status of selenium standard for the open waters of Great Salt Lake was explained. The final recommendations will be made by the GSL Se Science Panel in their April 30-May 1 meeting and then forwarded to the GSL Steering Committee and from there to the Water Quality Board for inclusion into the Triennial Review.
- Appreciation: Mr. Moellmer thanked all members of the Workgroup for their assistance, critique, and discussion in this process. It was felt by all members that the process was useful and all agreed that it smoothed many issues ahead of time.
- Adjourn: 4:30 pm