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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY  
UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
PUBLIC NOTICE TO ISSUE A SECTION 401 WATER QUALITY CERTIFICATION

### **PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE**

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the State of Utah's intention to issue a Section 401 Water Quality Certification with Conditions under the authority of the Federal Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341), and consistent with the Utah Water Quality Act, Title 19, Chapter 5, Utah Code and Utah Administrative Code R317-15.

### **PERMIT INFORMATION**

PERMITTEE NAME: Ogden City  
MAILING ADDRESS: 2549 Washington Blvd, Suite 610  
Ogden, Utah 84401  
PROJECT LOCATION: Ogden City, Weber County, Utah  
PROJECT: Ogden Business Exchange Surf Wave  
CERTIFICATION NO.: DWQ-2025-05001  
WATERCOURSES: Weber River

### **BACKGROUND**

Ogden City (the Project Proponent) is proposing to remove the existing navigation hazard just south of the recently completed Ogden Kayak Park and create a surf wave (Proposed Project) within the Weber River. The Proposed Project will include the installation of pneumatically operated gates and rubber rocks to control the hydraulics, a concrete access ramp, a surf wave, and a fish passage channel. The proposed project will be located on the Weber River at the abandoned concrete weir diversion site, just downstream (north) of the Ogden Kayak Park, located at Exchange Road in Ogden, Utah. The Proposed Project will be located entirely in the main channel of the Weber River and will include the placement of non-native fill materials, such as concrete, grout, steel, and rubber. The total project-related impacts to the river channel and banks are approximately 1.4 acres, with approximately 0.8 acres of impacts to Waters of the U.S. (WOTUS) resulting from the placement of approximately 2,277 cubic yards of fill material. The Proposed Project spans a total length of 440 linear feet along the riverbank. The Project Proponent indicated that the Proposed Project will improve the existing channel, remove the old concrete diversion structure that is creating a navigational hazard, while meeting the Project Proponent's goal of creating a whitewater recreation feature that also allows for fish passage.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on **September 2, 2025**. Written public comments can be submitted to: Linsey Shafer, General Permitting Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: [wqcomments@utah.gov](mailto:wqcomments@utah.gov). After considering public comments the Utah Division of Water Quality may execute the Section 401 Water Quality Certification issuance, revise it or abandon it. The Section 401 Water Quality Certification is available for public review under <https://deq.utah.gov/public-notices-archive/water-quality-public-notices>. A copy may be obtained by contacting Utah Division of Water Quality at (801) 536-4300.