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DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY PUBLIC NOTICE OF INTENT TO RENEW A UPDES PERMIT

PURPOSE OF PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of this public notice is to declare the Director of the Division of Water Quality's intention to renew a Utah Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (UPDES) Permit under the authority of the Utah Water Quality Act, Utah Code § 19-5-106(2)(g). The draft Permit and the Fact Sheet (collectively, the draft Permit documents) are available for review and comment.

PERMIT INFORMATION

PERMITTEE NAME:	Monticello City
FACILITY NAME:	Monticello City Wastewater Treatment Plant
MAILING ADDRESS:	P.O. Box 457 Monticello, Utah 84535
TELEPHONE NUMBER:	(435) 587-2271
FACILITY LOCATION:	3300 North 1200 West
UPDES PERMIT NO.:	UT0024503
PERMITTED OUTFALLS:	001 and 001R
OUTFALL LOCATION:	001: Latitude 38°51'30" and longitude 109°18'30" 001R: 37° 51'31" and longitude 109°18'15"
RECEIVING WATER:	Montezuma Creek

BACKGROUND

The Monticello Wastewater Treatment Facility (Facility) was designed to store the effluent during the non-irrigation months and use the water for irrigation during the cultivating season. The Facility is a 38.5-acre, 5 cell, non-aerated, lagoon system, with the first 4 cells having a water depth from 3 to 6 feet and the final cell (winter storage pond) having a maximum water depth of 12 feet. The average design flow is 0.32 million gallons a day (MGD), and the design population equivalent is 3,000. Monticello City's population is estimated to be about 1,900 people. Designed as total containment lagoons, the Facility has only had to discharge to waters of the State in years where the precipitation is higher than average and the irrigation demand was less than expected. See Permit and Fact sheet for more information.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Pursuant to Utah Admin. Code R317-8-6(6.6), any interested person may submit written comments on the draft permit documents and may request a public hearing if no hearing has already been scheduled. A request for a public hearing shall be in writing and shall state the nature of the issues proposed to be raised in the hearing. All comments will be considered in making the final decision and shall be answered as provided in Utah Admin. Code R317-8-6(6.12).

Commenters have an affirmative obligation to raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all reasonably available arguments and factual grounds supporting their position, including all supporting

material. Supporting material must be included in full and may not be incorporated by reference, unless the material is already part of the administrative record.

Public comments are invited any time prior to the deadline of the close of business on **March 13, 2026**. Written public comments can be submitted to: Lindsay Cowles, UPDES Individual Permits Section, Utah Division of Water Quality, PO Box 144870, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114-4870 or by email at: lcowles@utah.gov.

After considering public comments, the Director of the Division of Water Quality will issue a final Permit decision. The draft Permit documents are available for public review under “Public Participation” at www.waterquality.utah.gov/. Additionally, if internet access is not available, a copy may be obtained by calling Lindsay Cowles at (385) 414-0311.