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**MINUTES**

**UTAH DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY  
UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD**

MASOB

and

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February 25, 2026

8:30 am Board Meeting

**UTAH WATER QUALITY BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

James Webb  
Michela Harris  
Jill Jones  
Joe Havasi  
Jeannie Simmonds  
Rob Fehr  
Tim Davis

**DIVISION OF WATER QUALITY STAFF MEMBERS' PRESENT**

Candice A. Hasenyager  
Clanci Hawks  
Deidre Beck  
George Meados  
Henry Willmes  
Sandy Wingert  
Jacob Ridgway  
Samuel Taylor  
Linsey Shafer  
Danielle Lenz  
Porter Henze  
Emily Cantón  
Christa Hutchison  
Adriana Hernandez  
Toby Hooker  
Dave Pierson  
Sami Heusser  
Leanna Littler-Woolf  
Lonnie Shull  
John Schwarz  
Alex Heppner

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Rob Dubuc  
Tom Ward  
Liz Harris  
Scott Taylor

**Mr. Webb called the Meeting to order at 8:30 AM.**

**ROLL CALL**

**Mr. Webb took roll call for the members of the Board.**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES – January 28,2026 Meeting**

**Motion:** Ms. Jones moved to approve the meeting minutes.  
Ms. Simmonds seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

**EXECUTIVE SECRETARY REPORT:**

Mrs. Hasenyager addressed the Board with the following updates:

- Abundance Accelerator has launched- stay tuned for more information on how DWQ will implement.
- NRAE Appropriations
- 10 days left in the legislative session...and here's what we're watching closely:
  - HB501-Water Modifications
  - HB509-Wetland Study Amendments
  - HB489-Water Infrastructure Amendments
  - SB229-State Employee Benefit Amendments
  - HB575-Fuel Tax & Supply Amendments
  - SB234-Rulemaking Amendments
  - HB533-Groundwater Amendments
  - SB100-Federalism Revisions
  - HB147-Government Form Submission Amendments
  - HB437-Environmental Permitting Amendments
  - SB-LHD & LDH Coordination
  - SB254-Critical Mineral Amendments
  - SCR 9-Concurrent Resolution Regarding Critical Minerals Development & Funding
  - SB008-State Agency & Higher Education Compensation Appropriations.
- A full description of each Bill may be viewed at the following link: [Bills By Session](#)

**FUNDING:**

**Change in Scope of Work in St. George City, Grant Agreement Southern Utah Reuse ARPA Grant Program:** Mr. Pompeo recommended the Board authorize the Scope of Work Project Statement in the St. George City ARPA Grant Agreement to be amended to: "This project will fund the upgrade of St. George Regional Water Reclamation Facility biological treatment system to produce Type I Reuse Water. The funds in the Grant Agreement may be used for the construction of the A2O treatment system to meet Type I Reuse standards at the St. George Water Reclamation Facility."

**Motion:** Ms. Simmonds moved to authorize the Scope of Work Project Statement to be amended as listed in the packet.  
Ms. Harris seconded the motion.  
The motion passed with 5 Ayes & 1 Nay.

**OTHER:**

**Draft 2026 Integrated Report:** Mr. Ochoa presented the Draft 2026 Integrated Report, no motion was required at this time. The Draft Report may viewed via this link: [Draft 2026 Integrated Report](#)

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** None

**MEETING ADJOURNMENT**

**Motion:** Ms. Jones moved to adjourn the meeting.  
Mr. Fehr seconded the motion.  
The motion passed unanimously.

The full recording of the February 25, 2026 Water Quality Board Meeting may be viewed here [Google Meet](#)

**Next Meeting – April 22, 2026**  
**Meeting begins at 8:30 am**

**In-Person**  
**MASOB**  
**195 North 1950 West**  
**Board Room 1015**  
**Salt Lake City, UT 84116**

*James Webb*      04/23/2026

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James Webb, Chair  
Utah Water Quality Board