

# Great Salt Lake Advisory Council Meeting – January 11<sup>th</sup>, 2023

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## Location: Utah Department of Natural Resources

(Video Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DvbpGqgkagE>)

### Great Salt Lake Advisory Council Members present

Don Leonard	Aquaculture
Leland Meyers	Publicly Owned Treatment Works
Tom Ward	Municipal Government
Tom Tripp	Tooele County
Joe Havasi	Extractive Industry
Jeff Richards	Migratory Bird Protection Areas
Dina Blaes	Salt Lake County
Ann Neville	Conservation Interests

### Great Salt Lake Advisory Council Staff present

Marisa Weinberg	DNR, Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands
James Harris (remote)	DEQ, Division of Water Quality

### Others present

Ben Stireman	Forestry, Fire and State Lands
Blake Bingham	Division of Water Rights
Jan Striefel	League of Women Voters
Jeff DenBleyker	Jacobs Engineering
Lisa Welsh	Utah State University
Lynn De Freitas	Friends of Great Salt Lake
Manjot Masson	Central Davis Sewer
Ryan Doherty	Cargill Salt
Tim Hawkes	Legislature/Brine Shrimp Coop.
Todd Adams	Dept. of Natural Resources
Todd Stonely	Division of Water Resources
Kathy Davis	Utah AG
Wayne Wurtsbaugh	Utah State University
Ben Holcomb	DWQ
Linda Lai	Bridgerland Audubon Society
Dave Shearer	Division of State Parks
Janice Gardner	Sageland Collaborative
Craig Miller	Division of Water Resources
Joana Endter-Wada	Utah State University
Lisa Welsh	Utah State University
Steve Erickson	UT Audubon Council
Kate Ruebelmann	Rio Tinto Kennecott
Ray Ward	Legislature
Emma Whitaker	Utah AG- FFSL
Thayne Clark	Bowen Collins

## Notes

### **Welcome and Introductions (00:00:00)**

### **Review of Agenda and Notes (00:02:45)**

Don Leonard, Chair

Notes for November 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting and Agenda approved. Don introduced Marisa Weinberg who is stepping in for Laura Vernon who took a new position in DWRe. Don also made a motion to recognize the service and support that Laura provided to the GSLAC (Approved).

### **Presentation: Gilbert Bay Assessment (00:04:40)**

Jim Harris, DWQ, provided an update on the Division's consideration of an emergency listing of Gilbert Bay to be appended to the 2022 Integrated Report.

### **Presentation: Upcoming Legislative Session (00:27:50)**

Tim Hawkes, Utah State Legislature(former), provided a summary of the last year with regards to GSL legislation, funding and activities as well as an update of the coming 2023 legislative session.

### **Presentation: Contrasting Management and Fates of Two Sister Lakes: Great Salt Lake and Lake Urmia (00:43:30)**

Wayne Wurtsbaugh, USU, gave a presentation on GSL and Lake Urmia in Iran which highlighted a number of trends in water usage, water depletion and environmental conditions in these two similar lakes and watershed areas.

### **Presentation: Great Salt Lake Public Survey Results (01:05:35)**

Joanna Endter-Wada presented on preliminary results on the Future of the Great Salt Lake Public Survey on strategies to protect GSL.

### **Public comments (01:25:20)**

No Public Comments

### **Other Member Discussion, Recommendations & Actions (01:25:30)**

Don encouraged the GSLAC to be thinking of projects for funding which will be discussed at the March meeting. Marisa Weinberg updated the committee on the compilation of topics for this year's Hot Topic Grants which will end on January 20<sup>th</sup> and be issued via an RFP for applications.

Next Meeting March 8th, 10 AM, Farmington Bay Wildlife Education Center

### **Adjourn (01:26:50)**