

Restoration Funding and the Utah Division of Water Quality



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Goal of the Utah Division of Water Quality Watershed Protection Section

*“Protecting and restoring the water quality of our
streams, lakes and ground water resources.”*



Prioritizing, Targeting, and Watershed Planning

- To help determine where watershed groups should target their efforts they should collect water quality data to better understand what water quality problems exist in their watersheds.
- Data provides the basis for watershed planning. These plans will:
 - Identify sources of NPS pollution and the BMPs that can be used to address the problem
 - Provide basis for estimating costs to implement the plan
 - Inform continued monitoring to evaluate effectiveness.

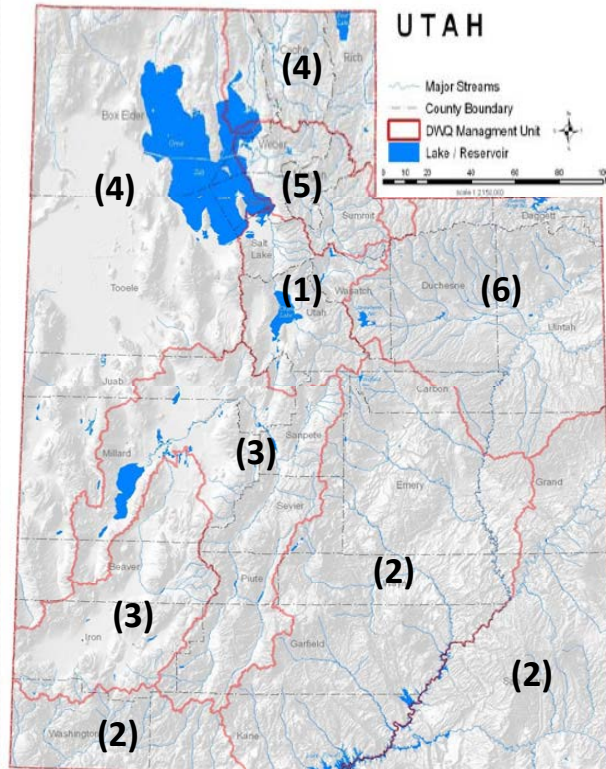
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The Division of Water Quality's Targeted Basin Approach



Green=Intensive Monitoring Conducted by State

Red=Year Basin Will Receive Funding

Priority Funding Schedule										
Watershed	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021
(1) Jordan/ Utah lake			Red			Green			Red	
(2) Colorado River	Green			Red			Green			Red
(3) Sevier, Cedar-Beaver		Green			Red			Green		
(4) Bear River			Green			Red			Green	
(5) Weber River	Red			Green			Red			Green
(6) Uinta Basin		Red			Green			Red		

The Division of Water Quality Currently Uses Two Funding Sources to Obtain our Goal

State NPS Funding

- State funding awarded by the Water Quality Board to address NPS related issues throughout the state. (\$1,000,000/ year)

Section 319 Funding

- Federal funding authorized under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act to address Nonpoint Source (NPS) pollution (\$500,000/ year)

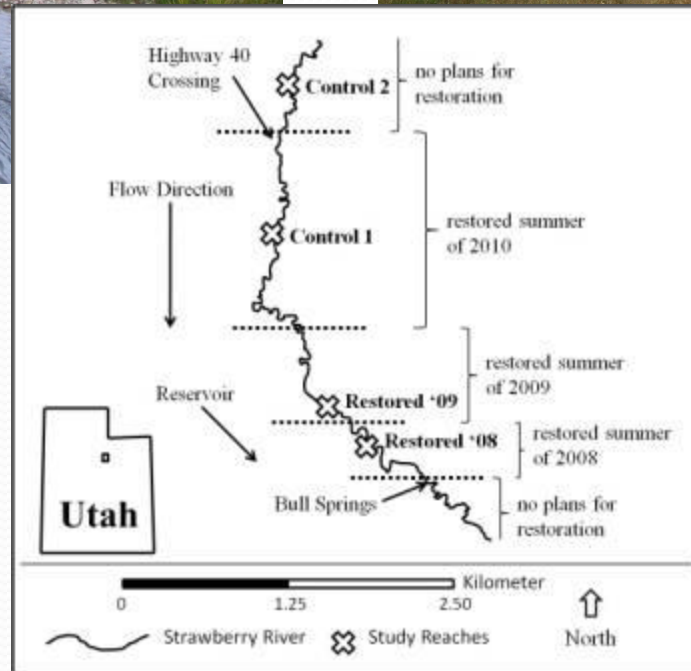
Section 319 grants

- Federal funding authorized under Section 319 of the Clean Water Act to address Nonpoint Source (NPS) pollution (\$500,000/ year)
- Used to restore or protect beneficial uses of the waters of the state of Utah.
- Grants have a 60% grant / 40% match cost share requirement
- Funding must be spent within 3 years of the grant award.
- Tied to the Targeted Basin Funding Cycle.
- Watershed Plan must be developed prior to any project implementation.
- Project monitoring is required.
- All non-federal entities are eligible to apply.
- Projects can include: on the ground projects that reduce NPS pollution, information and education projects, technical assistance, engineering.

State Nonpoint Source Pollution Grants

- State funding awarded by the Water Quality Board to address NPS related issues throughout the state. (\$1,000,000/ year)
- Funds used to restore or protect beneficial uses of the waters of the State of Utah.
- There is no set cost share requirement, but 90/10% is recommended
- Grants cannot exceed \$150,000
- Applications accepted from all over the State.
- There are no limitations on who can apply

Strawberry River Project



East Canyon Creek Restoration



San Pitch River



UDWQ Programs and Invasive Species

- While the Division of Water Quality has funded removal of invasive species, the goal of the projects must focus on improving water quality.
- If an applicant can show that the invasive species are having a negative impact on water quality, or if the removal of the invasive species is identified in a watershed plan it would be considered for funding.

Questions??



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