

**THE UTAH LAKE AUTHORITY
REGULARLY HELD MEETING**

September 20, 2023, at 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the Utah Lake Authority Board will hold a regular Board meeting on Wednesday, September 20, 2023, at 9:00 a.m., in the Provo Airport, 1331 Sky Way, Provo, UT 84601 (Airport Board room, upstairs on the south end). This meeting can also be viewed on our [live stream page. https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84190154552.](https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84190154552)

AGENDA

Presiding Board Member: Chair Julie Fullmer

Vice Chair: Michelle Kaufusi

UTAH LAKE AUTHORITY BOARD REGULAR SESSION

1. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT – TBD

2. CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS’ REPORTS/DISCLOSURES/RECUSALS

(2- minutes each)

3. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 3.1 Executive Director Eric Ellis– Project updates *(5- minutes)*
- 3.2 Addy Valdez – Conservation and Restoration Efforts *(5- minutes each)*
- 3.3 Jenna Ahern – Communications and Outreach *(3- minutes each)*
- 3.4 Sam Braegger– Events and Engagement *(3- minutes each)*

4. CONSENT ITEMS

- 4.1 [Approval of the July 19, 2023, ULA Board Meeting Minutes and August 14, 2023 Work Session Minutes](#)
- 4.2 [Review and approve June-August Monthly ULA Budget Reports](#)

5. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS

5.1 Trail and Constructed Wetland – Timpanogos Special Service District

5.2 ULWQS Science Panel Update – John Mackey/Scott Daly DWQ

6. CLOSED SESSION

The Utah Lake Authority Board, pursuant to Utah Code 52-4-205, may vote to go into a closed session for the purpose of (these are just a few of the items listed, see Utah Code 52-4-205 for the entire list):

- (a) discussion of the character, professional competence, or physical or mental health of an individual
- (b) strategy sessions to discuss collective bargaining
- (c) strategy sessions to discuss pending or reasonably imminent litigation (d) strategy sessions to discuss the purchase, exchange, or lease of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares
- (e) strategy sessions to discuss the sale of real property, including any form of a water right or water shares
- (f) discussion regarding deployment of security personnel, devices, or systems; (g) the purpose of considering information that is designated as a trade secret, as defined in

Section [13-24-2](#), if the public body's consideration of the information is necessary in order to properly conduct a procurement under [Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code](#);

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS (2 - minutes each) “**Public Comments**” is defined as time set aside for citizens to express their views. Each speaker is limited to two minutes. Because of the need for proper public notice, immediate action **cannot** be taken in the ULA Board meeting. If action is necessary, the item will be listed on a future agenda; however, the Board may elect to *discuss it only* if the item is an immediate matter of concern. *If a person is unable to attend the meeting, public comments can be submitted up to 7 days before the meeting to sam@utahlake.org and the comments will be shared with the board.*

8. ADJOURNMENT

The next ULA Board meeting is scheduled for **Wednesday, November 15th, 2023**, at 9 am and will be held at the Provo Airport.

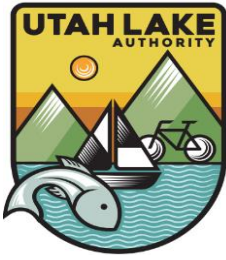
This meeting may be held in a way that will allow a Board Member to participate electronically.

The Public is invited to participate in all Utah Lake Authority Board public meetings. In compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, individuals needing special accommodations during this meeting should notify the Records Officer at least 24 hours prior to the meeting by calling (801-753-8270).

I, the undersigned GRAMA Records Officer for the ULA, hereby certify that the foregoing notice and agenda were emailed to KSL News, Deseret News, Herald Extra, KUTV, Fox13 News, the Salt Lake Tribune, and the Daily Universe, posted at the ULA offices, the ULA website, the Utah Public Notice website, and delivered electronically to ULA staff and to each member of the Governing Body.

AGENDA NOTICING COMPLETED ON: September 13th, 2023

CERTIFIED (NOTICED) BY: _____
ULA GRAMA Officer



Utah Lake Authority

FINANCIAL REPORT

for the month ending Jun 30, 2023
0.0% of the fiscal year remaining

				<u>Annual Rate of Return</u>
Zions Bank Checking account balance on:	6/30/2023	\$	10,392.59	--
Zions Bank Business Savings account balance on:	6/30/2023	\$	6,025.17	0.18%
Utah Public Treasurer's Investment Fund balance on:	6/30/2023	\$	1,192,773.92	5.18%
Transfers from PTIF to Checking:	6/5/2023	\$	25,000.00	
	6/14/2023	\$	40,000.00	
	6/21/2023	\$	18,000.00	
	6/27/2023	\$	12,000.00	
	7/6/2023	\$	23,000.00	
Interest Earned: June 2023		\$	5,113.60	
Year-to-Date Interest Earned		\$	37,992.20	

Expenses for May

Date	Vendor	Account	Description	Amount
6/1/2023	Teamworks	1100	Wages	\$ 10,796.00
6/1/2023	Teamworks	1300	Taxes & Benefits	\$ 7,139.96
6/1/2023	Teamworks	2310	Mileage	\$ 302.88
6/1/2023	Teamworks	2800	Cell Phone	\$ 240.00
6/1/2023	Trupp HR, Inc	5110	Compensation Consulting Services (Compensation Analysis)	\$ 1,477.50
6/1/2023	Google	2800	Email Services - May	\$ 24.00
6/2/2023	Sam Braegger	6510	Reimbursement for Festival Snack purchases for booths	\$ 138.71
6/5/2023	UTA	2310	UTA Farepay for Trail Travel for C. Biologist	\$ 100.00
6/5/2023	Microsoft	2400	MS 365 License, 4 employees	\$ 59.45
6/12/2023	Utah County Auditor	5630	Rent - June	\$ 996.00
6/12/2023	Zions Bank	2400	Fee Refund	\$ (12.00)
6/14/2023	Utah Lake Commission	7320	Marsh Master Purchase	\$ 17,651.92
6/15/2023	Teamworks	1100	Wages	\$ 11,046.00
6/15/2023	Teamworks	1300	Taxes & Benefits	\$ 6,917.40
6/15/2023	Teamworks	2310	Mileage	\$ 429.29
6/18/2023	Meta	6540	FB Ad, public surveys	\$ 133.44
6/20/2023	Jacobs Engineering Inc	5110	CMP Invoice# W7Y5200-06	\$ 16,696.00
6/20/2023	White Pages	2800	Premium access, lookup phragmites landowners	\$ 22.99
6/20/2023	Meta	6540	FB Ad, public surveys	\$ 16.56
6/21/2023	AV Productions	6510	Festival - Sount System	\$ 500.00
6/26/2023	BWP Communications Inc	5110	Invoice #3409 Brand consulting	\$ 11,935.00
6/28/2023	Office of the Attorney General	5120	AAG Reimbursement	\$ 7,920.00
6/28/2023	Coast Machinery Inc	7310	Boomless Spray System for Marsh Master	\$ 1,400.00
6/29/2023	Teamworks	1100	Wages	\$ 10,796.00
6/29/2023	Teamworks	1300	Taxes & Benefits	\$ 2,939.16
6/29/2023	Teamworks	2310	Mileage	\$ 372.71
6/30/2023	Google	2800	Phone Service	\$ 14.74
6/30/2023	Google	2800	Email Services - June	\$ 24.00
6/30/2023	Star of India	2500	ULWQS Science Panel Meeting lunch	\$ 24.40
7/13/2023	Teamworks	1100	Wages	\$ 11,496.00
7/13/2023	Teamworks	1300	Taxes & Benefits	\$ 5,485.92
7/13/2023	Teamworks	2310	Mileage	\$ 157.41
7/13/2023	Teamworks	2800	Cell Phone	\$ 180.00
7/18/2023	Office of the Attorney General	5120	Invoice #6503-2023-06	\$ 3,926.00
			Total:	\$ 131,347.44

General Fund Budget Report

Account #	Category	Budget	Year-to-date Transactions	Balance	% Left
1100	Employee wages	\$ 330,000.00	\$ 72,722.00	\$ 257,278.00	78%
1300	Employee benefits	\$ 165,000.00	\$ 36,061.95	\$ 128,938.05	78%

2100	Publications/Memberships	\$	650.00	\$	-	\$	650.00	100%
2200	Public Notices	\$	150.00	\$	22.87	\$	127.13	85%
2310	Mileage	\$	9,000.00	\$	2,434.30	\$	6,565.70	73%
2400	Office Supplies	\$	7,000.00	\$	4,196.72	\$	2,803.28	40%
2410	Postage	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$	100.00	100%
2500	Food and Meals	\$	2,400.00	\$	141.72	\$	2,258.28	94%
2600	Conferences and Workshops	\$	3,000.00	\$	-	\$	3,000.00	100%
2800	Telephone/Fax/Internet	\$	5,500.00	\$	520.47	\$	4,979.53	91%
3100	Accounting Services	\$	1,800.00	\$	-	\$	1,800.00	100%
5100	Insurance	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
5110	Consulting Services	\$	425,000.00	\$	171,013.22	\$	253,986.78	60%
5120	Assistant AG Services	\$	246,000.00	\$	43,064.00	\$	202,936.00	82%
5630	Rent	\$	12,500.00	\$	1,992.00	\$	10,508.00	84%
6510	Utah Lake Festival and Symposium	\$	12,000.00	\$	844.61	\$	11,155.39	93%
6520	School Outreach	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
6540	Promotion	\$	15,000.00	\$	576.25	\$	14,423.75	96%
6545	Event Sponsorship	\$	8,000.00	\$	15.38	\$	7,984.62	100%
6570	Lake Monitoring Program	\$	30,000.00	\$	-	\$	30,000.00	96%
		\$		\$		\$		
7300	Capital Projects Fund	\$	223,100.00	\$	223,100.00	\$	-	0%
		\$		\$		\$		
			Sub Total (less CPF)	\$	333,605.49			
	Total GF Budget	\$	1,510,200.00	\$	556,705.49	\$	953,494.51	63%

Capital Projects Fund Report

Account #	Category	Budget	Transactions	Balance	% Left
7300	Access Improvements	\$ 38,100.00	\$ -	\$ 38,100.00	100.00%
7310	Shoreline Restoration/ Enhancement	\$ 110,000.00	\$ -	\$ 110,000.00	100.00%
7320	Equipment	\$ 30,000.00	\$ 19,051.92	\$ 10,948.08	36.49%
7340	Algae Treatments	\$ 45,000.00	\$ -	\$ 45,000.00	100.00%
	Total Budget	\$ 223,100.00	\$ 19,051.92	\$ 204,048.08	91.46%

Capital Projects Fund Statement of Cash Flow

3/29/2023	Balance	Available for Use	\$	223,100.00
6/6/2023	Utah Lake Authority	Marsh Master Purchase	\$	17,651.92
6/28/2023	Coast Machinery Inc.	Boomless Spray System	\$	1,400.00
6/30/2023	ULA	General Fund Transfer (<25% annual rev)	\$	(709,129.92)
	Total Balance:		\$	913,178.00



FINANCIAL REPORT

for the month ending July 31, 2023

91.6% of the fiscal year remaining

			Annual Rate of Return
Zions Bank Checking account balance on 7/31/2023	\$	24,278.78	--
Zions Bank Business Savings account balance on 7/31/2023	\$	6,140.91	0.19%
Utah Public Treasurer's Investment Fund balance on 7/31/2023	\$	1,109,923.29	1.64%

Transfers to Checking:	7/19/2023	\$	20,000.00
	7/26/2023	\$	68,000.00

Interest Earned: July 2023	\$	5,150.72
Year-to-Date Interest Earned	\$	5,150.72

Expenses for July

Date	Vendor	Account	Description	Amount
7/3/2023	Wasatch Web Agency	5110	Repair Custom water levels plugin on ULA Website	\$ 450.00
7/5/2023	Microsoft	2400	365 Licenses for staff	\$ 53.64
7/5/2023	Smiths	2500	Drinks for Office	\$ 42.77
7/5/2023	Cougar Creations	2400	Laminate Walkara Way - Project Map	\$ 8.58
7/5/2023	Staples	2400	Office Supplies	\$ 117.77
7/5/2023	Staples	2400	Canned Air	\$ 25.98
7/5/2023	Goose Chase	6545	Game License for Scavenger Hunt	\$ 1,000.00
7/5/2023	Staples	2400	Cable Organizer clips	\$ 7.99
7/6/2023	AirState Inc	6560	Sign Now Business Premium Subscription - E-sign for Phragmit	\$ 192.60
7/6/2023	AirState Inc	6560	Upgrade to Enterprize Account for bulk invite and pre-filled te	\$ 179.12
7/6/2023	Amazon	2400	Whiteboard supplies	\$ 29.71
7/6/2023	Amazon	2400	Whiteboard film surface for conference room	\$ 94.63
7/11/2023	Coast Machinery Inc	7340	Spray Boom Freight	\$ 309.56
7/11/2023	Blaze pizza	2500	Lunch meeting with Vineyard (PIO) with ULA PIO	\$ 23.06
7/11/2023	Amazon	2400	Handheld Vacuum for Office	\$ 89.01
7/11/2023	Best Buy	2400	External hard drives, employee computer back-ups	\$ 124.39
7/13/2023	Red Fuego	2500	Lunch Meeting with JSRIP & CUWCP	\$ 17.39
7/13/2023	Vewrizon	2810	Cell Phone - Exec. Director	\$ 85.14
7/18/2023	Rozajac Group LLC	5110	Invoice #0047 Transcription Services	\$ 101.25
7/18/2023	Tractor Supply Inc.	7340	Fence Materials for grazing project within the priority Phramit	\$ 5,027.76
7/19/2023	Smiths	2500	Drinks for Governing Board Meeting	\$ 10.98
7/19/2023	Einstein Bros Bagels	2500	Governing Board meeting snacks	\$ 36.98
7/20/2023	Staples	6570	Monitoring Marker Board	\$ 11.14
7/20/2023	Home Depot	6570	Monitoring Plot Rebar	\$ 12.39
7/20/2023	Utah PIO Association	2600	PIO Conference	\$ 321.96
7/25/2023	Sticker Mule	6545	Vinyl Stickers for Scavenger Hunt	\$ 310.00
7/26/2023	Jacobs Engineering Group Inc.	5110	CMP creation Invoice # W7Y52700	\$ 43,179.38
7/26/2023	Amazon	2400	2 x charging blocks	\$ 61.12
7/26/2023	The Spoon	2500	Lunch Meeting - Explore Utah Valley - w/Jenna	\$ 37.86
7/27/2023	Teamworks	1100	Wages	\$ 13,451.20
7/27/2023	Teamworks	1300	Taxes & Benefits	\$ 8,564.41
7/27/2023	Teamworks	2310	Mileage	\$ 46.25
7/27/2023	Staples	2400	Office Supplies	\$ 51.05
7/31/2023	Google	2800	Phone Bill	\$ 14.74
7/31/2023	Google	2800	Gmail Service	\$ 24.00
Total:				\$ 74,113.81

General Fund Budget Report

Account #	Category	Budget	Year-to-date Transactions	Balance	% Left
1100	Employee wages	\$ 340,000.00	\$ 13,451.20	\$ 326,548.80	96%
1300	Employee benefits	\$ 170,000.00	\$ 8,564.41	\$ 161,435.59	95%
2100	Publications/Memberships	\$ 650.00	\$ -	\$ 650.00	100%
2200	Public Notices	\$ 150.00	\$ -	\$ 150.00	100%
2310	Mileage	\$ 9,000.00	\$ 46.25	\$ 8,953.75	99%
2400	Office Supplies	\$ 7,000.00	\$ 663.87	\$ 6,336.13	91%
2410	Postage	\$ 100.00	\$ -	\$ 100.00	100%
2500	Food and Meals	\$ 2,400.00	\$ 169.04	\$ 2,230.96	93%
2600	Conferences and Workshops	\$ 3,400.00	\$ 322.00	\$ 3,078.00	91%
2800	Phones	\$ 5,500.00	\$ 123.88	\$ 5,376.12	98%

3100	Accounting Services	\$	2,500.00	\$	-	\$	2,500.00	100%
5100	Insurance	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
5110	Consulting Services	\$	300,000.00	\$	43,730.63	\$	256,269.37	85%
5120	Assistant AG Services	\$	246,000.00	\$	-	\$	246,000.00	100%
5630	Rent	\$	12,500.00	\$	-	\$	12,500.00	100%
6510	Utah Lake Festival and Symposium	\$	12,000.00	\$	-	\$	12,000.00	100%
6520	School Outreach	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
6540	Promotion	\$	20,000.00	\$	-	\$	20,000.00	100%
6545	Event Sponsorship	\$	10,000.00	\$	1,310.00	\$	8,690.00	87%
6560	Shoreline Restoration	\$	140,000.00	\$	371.72	\$	139,628.28	100%
6570	Lake Monitoring Program	\$	30,000.00	\$	23.53	\$	29,976.47	87%
6580	Small Grants Program	\$	60,000.00	\$	-	\$	60,000.00	100%
7300	Capital Projects Fund	\$	355,000.00	\$	355,000.00	\$	-	0%
Total GF Budget		\$	1,740,200.00	\$	423,776.53	\$	1,316,423.47	76%

Capital Projects Fund Report

7300	Access Improvements	\$	750,000.00	\$	-	\$	750,000.00	100.00%
7330	Algae Treatment	\$	378,678.00	\$	-	\$	378,678.00	100.00%
7340	Wetland Conservation / Mitigation	\$	140,000.00	\$	5,337.76	\$	134,662.24	96.19%
Total Budget		\$	1,268,678.00	\$	5,337.76	\$	1,263,340.24	99.58%

Capital Projects Fund Statement of Cash Flow

8/30/2023	Balance		Available for Use		\$	1,268,678.00
7/11/2023		7340 Coast Machinery	Spray Boom Freight Charge	\$	309.56	\$ 1,268,368.44
7/18/2023		7340 Tractor Supply Inc.	Fencing for Phragmites field that will	\$	5,027.76	\$ 1,263,340.68
	Transaction Subtotal			\$	5,337.32	
	Total Balance				\$	1,263,340.68



FINANCIAL REPORT

for the month ending August 31, 2023

83.3% of the fiscal year remaining

				Annual Rate of Return
Zions Bank Checking account balance on:	8/31/2023	\$	6,969.80	0
Zions Bank Business Savings account balance on:	8/31/2023	\$	7,646.23	0.19%
Utah Public Treasurer's Investment Fund balance on:	8/31/2023	\$	2,391,584.48	5.30%

Transfers to Checking:	8/9/2023	\$	10,000.00
	8/17/2023	\$	61,000.00

Interest Earned: Aug 2023	\$	7,010.81
Year-to-Date Interest Earned	\$	12,160.93

Expenses for August

Date	Vendor	Account	Description			Amount
8/2/2023	Debit	Cubby's	Lunch Meeting - Saratoga Spr	2500	\$	22.15
8/3/2023	Debit	Out Back Graphics	County Building Sign update	6540	\$	40.00
8/3/2023	Debit	Verizon	Cell Phone - Exec. Director	2800	\$	75.05
8/5/2023	Debit	Microsoft	365 Licenses for staff	2400	\$	53.64
8/5/2023	Debit	Canva	Annual Professional License	6540	\$	119.40
8/7/2023	Debit	Utah County Auditor	Rent - July	5630	\$	996.00
8/7/2023	Debit	Utah County Auditor	Rent - August	5630	\$	996.00
8/10/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Wages	1100	\$	12,473.60
8/10/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Taxes & Benefits	1300	\$	7,410.49
8/10/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Mileage	2310	\$	211.11
8/10/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Phone	2800	\$	180.00
8/14/2023	Debit	Fresh Market	Food and drinks for Governing	2500	\$	70.42
8/17/2023	1021	Jacobs Engineering Group	CMP Invoice #W7Y52700-08	5110	\$	46,424.29
8/17/2023	Debit	Greenhouse Megastore	Plug containers + trays for UVI	6570	\$	426.73
8/24/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Wages	1100	\$	12,473.60
8/24/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Taxes & Benefits	1300	\$	6,006.34
8/24/2023	Auto	Teamworks	Mileage	2310	\$	142.01
8/28/2023	Debit	UTA	Farepay card reload	2310	\$	100.00
8/30/2023	Debit	Walmart	Space Heater for office	2400	\$	42.81
8/30/2023	Debit	GoDaddy	Domain Renewal: Utahlakecor	6540	\$	45.34
Total:					\$	88,308.98

General Fund Budget Report

<u>Account #</u>	<u>Category</u>		<u>Budget</u>		<u>Year-to-date Transactions</u>		<u>Balance</u>	<u>% Left</u>
1100	Employee wages	\$	340,000.00	\$	38,398.40	\$	301,601.60	89%
1300	Employee benefits	\$	170,000.00	\$	21,981.24	\$	148,018.76	87%
2100	Publications/Memberships	\$	650.00	\$	-	\$	650.00	100%
2200	Public Notices	\$	150.00	\$	-	\$	150.00	100%
2310	Mileage	\$	9,000.00	\$	499.37	\$	8,500.63	94%
2400	Office Supplies	\$	7,000.00	\$	760.32	\$	6,239.68	89%
2410	Postage	\$	100.00	\$	-	\$	100.00	100%
2500	Food and Meals	\$	2,400.00	\$	261.61	\$	2,138.39	89%
2600	Conferences and Workshops	\$	3,400.00	\$	321.96	\$	3,078.04	91%
2800	Phones	\$	5,500.00	\$	378.93	\$	5,121.07	93%
3100	Accounting Services	\$	2,500.00	\$	-	\$	2,500.00	100%
5100	Insurance	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
5110	Consulting Services	\$	300,000.00	\$	90,154.92	\$	209,845.08	70%
5120	Assistant AG Services	\$	246,000.00	\$	-	\$	246,000.00	100%
5630	Rent	\$	12,500.00	\$	1,992.00	\$	10,508.00	84%
6510	Utah Lake Festival and Symposium	\$	12,000.00	\$	-	\$	12,000.00	100%
6520	School Outreach	\$	7,000.00	\$	-	\$	7,000.00	100%
6540	Promotion	\$	20,000.00	\$	204.74	\$	19,795.26	99%
6545	Event Sponsorship	\$	10,000.00	\$	1,310.00	\$	8,690.00	87%
6560	Shoreline Restoration	\$	140,000.00	\$	371.72	\$	139,628.28	99%
6570	Lake Monitoring Program	\$	30,000.00	\$	450.26	\$	29,549.74	87%

6580	Small Grants Program	\$	60,000.00	\$	-	\$	60,000.00	100%
7300	Capital Projects Fund	\$	355,000.00	\$	355,000.00	\$	-	0%
Total GF Budget		\$	1,740,200.00	\$	512,085.47	\$	1,228,114.53	71%

Capital Projects Fund Report

Account #	Category	Budget	Transactions	Balance	% Left
7300	Access Improvements	\$ 750,000.00	\$ -	\$ 750,000.00	100.00%
7330	Algae Treatment	\$ 378,678.00	\$ -	\$ 378,678.00	100.00%
7340	Wetland Conservation / Mitigation	\$ 140,000.00	\$ 5,337.76	\$ 134,662.24	96.19%
Total Budget		\$ 1,268,678.00	\$ 5,337.76	\$ 1,263,340.24	99.58%

Capital Projects Fund Statement of Cash Flow

8/30/2023	Balance		Available for Use	\$	1,268,678.00
7/11/2023		7340 Coast Machinery	Spray Boom Freight Charge	\$	309.56
7/18/2023		7340 Tractor Supply Inc.	Fencing for Phragmites field t	\$	5,027.76
	Transaction Subtotal			\$	5,337.32
	Total Balance			\$	1,263,340.68

THE UTAH LAKE AUTHORITY REGULARLY HELD MEETING

July 19, 2023, at 9:00 AM-11:00 AM

Provo Airport, 1331 Sky Way, Provo, UT 84601

AGENDA

ATTENDEES:

Julie Fullmer, Vineyard, Chair
Eric Ellis, Utah Lake Authority
John Mackey, DWQ
Ben Stireman, FFSL
Hilary Hungerford, UVU
Mark Johnson, Lehi
Carolyn Lundberg, Lindon
Michelle Kaufusi, Provo
Kameron Dalton, GO UTAH
Tom Sakievich, Utah County
Brady Brammer, Utah House

Richard Foggio
Soren Simonsen, JRC
Jodi Garberg, DWQ
Dave Epstein, Jacobs
Ben Abbott
Dan Pitzler
Steven Stahili
J
Sean Thornton
Lars Anderson, Consor
Kristina Davis, CUV
Josh Hermann
Calah Worthen, Jacobs
Dave Epstein, Jacobs
John Bennion, CUV
Larry Ellertson
Zeno Thoreson

VISITORS:

Isaac Paxman, Provo
Brett Palmer, Brett Palmer
Abigail, BWP
Dee Chamberlain

Presiding Board Member: Chair Julie Fullmer

Vice Chair: Michelle Kaufusi

UTAH BOARD REGULAR SESSION

1. WELCOME & CALL TO ORDER/INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT – *Kameron Dalton*

a. The meeting started at 9:06 am.

2. CHAIR AND BOARD MEMBERS' REPORTS/DISCLOSURES/RECUSALS

2.1 Hilary Hungerford shared an update about the UVU NSF research project. It was a three-year project; they are finalizing presentations. She will share with the board a link to view all the documents.

3. STAFF AND COMMITTEE REPORTS

3.1 Executive Director Eric Ellis– Project updates

Executive Director Eric Ellis began by sharing updates with the attendees. He mentioned partnering with Curtis Blair for an article about the Utah Lake Authority's purpose, which was recently published. He discussed a tour with Congressman Owens, highlighting key sites visited and the positive impression made on the congressman. He announced a scheduled roundtable with Congressman Owens on August 14 to address the lake's issues and align requests with his committee assignments.

He informed the group about creating watershed councils in the state, including the Utah Lake watershed, where the Authority is represented. He outlined plans for lake tours in the fall and spring to assess key locations affected by the watershed.

He proceeded to mention upcoming projects. Connor from Consort gave a presentation on project progress, and VWP presented logo options for the Authority. Eric expressed excitement about the logo choices and highlighted the importance of selecting the right one. Jacobs Engineering discussed the prioritization tool for evaluating lake improvement projects.

He mentioned selecting Aqua Technics for treating Utah Lake State Park and Linda Marina regarding alga treatment. He noted their treatment methodology involving copper and hydrogen peroxide for effective and balanced treatment. He discussed the bubble curtain's use in the state park and plans to expand it if successful. Eric acknowledged the temporary nature of these treatments and mentioned ongoing efforts to improve water quality.

3.2 Addy Valdez – Conservation and Restoration Efforts

Addy Valdez shared updates on summer conservation efforts and research activities. She discussed changes in car removal due to cost and power limitations, including adopting a 300 ft net and collaborating with Kevin Land for data-focused smaller-scale removals. VWR and USU staff would continue system monitoring. Future plans aimed to optimize efficiency by conducting large-scale removals during low water years based on USU modeling. This collaborative approach was intended to improve lake health. Addy highlighted progress in the June sucker population, with over 6,296 tagged individuals detected in the river delta project and mentioned UWR's larva traps for assessing spawning success.

Addressing vegetation and habitat restoration, noted a new monitoring partnership with Utah County involving seeded upland wetland mixes in treated areas. Monitoring through established plots was planned for the next year, with the hiring of an intern to assist with monitoring and planting. Addy had engaged with nurseries to acquire suitable plants and noted natural vegetation regrowth.

During the meeting, the Board inquired about the types of plants for the planned emergence, and Ms. Valdez explained that they were focusing on semi-aquatic emergent plants such as bull rushes, cattails, and duckweed. They discussed the possibility of organizing a service project to get the plants planted and mentioned the availability of volunteers, including students from Utah Valley University.

She also mentioned their efforts to enhance their social media presence with a segment on Instagram

1 where people could ask environmental questions. This segment received positive engagement,
2 particularly on wildlife-related topics. She expressed satisfaction with working alongside Jenna on this
3 initiative.

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5 She detailed the plans for the northern pike, a fish species they were studying. They discussed how
6 these pike were tracked using telemetry devices to monitor their habits. The pike was introduced
7 legally around a decade ago and has become a subject of study due to their impact on the ecosystem.

8 9 **3.3 Jenna Ahern – Communications and Outreach**

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11 Jenna Ahern provided updates on various projects and initiatives. She mentioned their work
12 rebranding the website, with plans to update the theme, add content pages, and create hubs for lake
13 activities like fishing, hunting, and bird watching. The goal was to make the website an educational
14 resource for newcomers and those already engaged in lake activities.

15
16 She discussed upcoming events, including a yoga class at Vineyard Beach, which was her passion
17 project. She collaborated with Sam to promote the event and encouraged everyone to spread the word.
18 She also highlighted her social media and networking efforts, aiming to provide consistent content and
19 identify the most effective approaches for their audience. She had been connecting with various
20 communication and social media managers to enhance outreach efforts and leverage the collective
21 reach of different organizations and departments.

22 23 **3.4 Sam Braegger– Events and Engagement**

24
25 Sam Braegger provided updates on recent and upcoming events and programs. He discussed the return
26 of the Utah Lake Festival after a three-year hiatus due to pandemic challenges, mentioning lower
27 attendance this year but positive feedback through a net promoter score system. He mentioned plans to
28 enhance the festival by adding more adult and teenage activities, citing the success of the cardboard
29 boat race and the desire for volleyball or spike ball tournaments and inflatables. He shared that 78% of
30 surveyed attendees were first-timers, and 89% expressed a likelihood of returning to the state park
31 based on their festival experience.

32
33 He also introduced the upcoming Scavenger Hunt, a digital activity with educational and fun elements
34 at the lake, where participants use a mobile app to complete missions and earn rewards. He touched on
35 expanding the Life Jacket Loaner program, partnering with the Utah Drowning Prevention Coalition,
36 and adding a new life jacket station at Mill Race.

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38 He updated the audience on the Doctor Shoreline program, which encourages volunteer adoption of
39 specific shoreline areas to maintain cleanliness. He mentioned that 40 out of 45 areas had been
40 adopted and discussed ongoing updates to the program's procedures.

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42 Finally, He mentioned the Small Grant Program's implementation, which focused on introducing or
43 enhancing recreational opportunities at the lake. He concluded by inviting questions from the
44 audience.

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46 Executive Director Eric Ellis inquired about the most common requests that Sam receives regarding
47 activities and events at the lake.

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2 Sam Braegger mentioned that while their agency doesn't receive many direct requests, they have
3 conducted surveys and collected data on popular activities at lakes across the United States. They then
4 used this data to gather public input through a survey to determine what types of classes, programs,
5 and tournaments people would be interested in. He highlighted that this data would be valuable for the
6 Small Grant Program, which aims to address funding challenges and partner with cities and
7 organizations to offer desired activities based on resident preferences.
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9 Eric Ellis followed up by expressing interest in the specific requests and where shortcomings might
10 exist. He suggested discussing these requests from a legislative perspective to address potential gaps
11 and enhance the offerings at the lake.
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13 Chair Julie Fullmer mentioned the upcoming Big 12 event and expressed interest in bringing activities
14 to the lake to engage participants.
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16 Eric Ellis was not aware of the specific details of the Big 12 event, but Jenna had a meeting scheduled
17 with the Director of Marketing from the event in the next couple of weeks. They had been in touch
18 with the event organizers on and off over the last few years and were working to establish a more
19 concrete relationship. They were considering creating a static landing page on the event's website to
20 provide dedicated information and resources about Utah Lake, thereby enhancing the engagement and
21 experience for visitors.
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24 **4. CONSENT ITEMS**

25 [4.1 Approval of the May 24, 2023, ULA Board Meeting Minutes](#)

26 [4.2 Review and approve May Monthly ULA Budget Report](#)

27 [4.3 Review and approve Public Entity Resolution – State Treasurer's Office](#)

28 [4.4 Review and approve GRAMA Requests Policy](#)
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30 Motion to approve consent items 4.1, 4.2, 4.3, and 4.4
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32 Kameron Dalton motioned to approve the consent items. Seconded by Tom Sakievich. The motion
33 was approved unanimously.
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35 **5. Action Items:**

36 [5.1 Review & approve Chair recommendation for ULA Executive Director Compensation](#)
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38 Chair Julie Fullmer discussed the third-party benchmark compensation study conducted for the
39 executive director position. She mentioned that all board members were sent the study for review. She
40 recommended going with the mid-range compensation level that was suggested by the study. She
41 praised Eric Ellis for his outstanding performance, highlighting his successful transition from ULC to
42 ULA, managing ongoing projects, engaging stakeholders, and securing legislative funding. Julie
43 emphasized Eric's effective communication and dedication to his responsibilities. She stated that the
44 recommended compensation is a conservative approach and provides a solid foundation for the future
45 growth of ULA. She expressed gratitude for Eric's hard work and dedication throughout the process.
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1 Motion to approve the mid-range compensation for the Executive Director position.

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3 Tom Sakievich motioned; Brady Brammer seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

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5 **6. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS/AWARDS**

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7 **6.1 Walkara Way project update – CONSOR**

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9 Lars Anderson from CONSOR Engineers presented updates on the trail alignment and amenities
10 project. He discussed Phase A and B of the project, highlighting key areas and features. In Phase A, he
11 mentioned the proposed trailhead near the Sleepy Ridge subdivision, which will include a parking lot,
12 barn, restrooms, and interpretive signage. The barn will serve as a community and educational facility.

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14 He also explained the 14 ft wide trail with 2 ft shoulders on each side, the 6 ft gravel trail, and the
15 access road. He showcased the boardwalk used for wetter areas and showed images of the proposed
16 structure.

17
18 In Phase B, he introduced a viewing tower and a hunting blind. He provided visual representations of
19 these structures and their features. He addressed questions regarding ownership and liability for the
20 structures, indicating that Vineyard City and the Utah Lake Authority were taking on the maintenance
21 of specific amenities.

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23 A question was raised about ownership and liability, particularly concerning the hunting blind and
24 other structures. He mentioned that Vineyard City and the Utah Lake Authority were responsible for
25 maintaining certain amenities, but ownership and liability details for the hunting blind hadn't been
26 fully resolved.

27
28 Executive Director Eric Ellis provided additional information regarding liability and responsibility for
29 the hunting blind and other structures. He mentioned that hunting blinds are typically simple structures
30 placed on the ground and don't pose significant risks as long as they are built properly. He explained
31 that the Utah Lake Authority has been responsible for maintaining the gravel path leading to the blind.

32
33 Lars Anderson clarified that Utah has a recreation act that provides certain liability protections for
34 state entities when individuals engage in recreational activities. The assumption of risk is placed on the
35 individual engaging in the activity. He also mentioned that the Utah Lake Authority is covered by risk
36 management policies and represented by the State Attorney General's office in case of liability claims.
37 The liability scenario would likely fall on the individual hunter, mainly if any gross negligence or
38 intentional misconduct were involved. He emphasized that the Utah Lake Authority's main focus
39 would be on ensuring the structure is built safely and that permits and proper documentation are in
40 place to clarify responsibilities and indemnifications.

41
42 He noted that a bridge crossing needs to accommodate vehicles and pedestrians. He mentions that
43 geotechnical engineers are currently working on the project. He discussed the challenges of creating a
44 trail near a wastewater treatment plant and a golf course. There was a need for fencing on both sides
45 for safety reasons, but it may not be the most aesthetically pleasing section of the trail. He suggested
46 exploring budget-friendly options like decorative art or a heavy-duty tarp to improve the appearance

1 and mitigate odors from the treatment plant.

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3 Mark Johnson expressed his interest in the subject and mentioned his 15-year tenure on the TSSD
4 board. He shared his perspective, indicating that he didn't view the situation negatively as others did.
5 He suggested the importance of having message boards or knowledge boards to explain the role of
6 sewer treatment in the ecological system. He also mentioned that considering the proximity to a golf
7 course, he didn't find the odors too problematic. Mark believed that public understanding of the
8 process's significance to the lake's ecology was crucial and advocated for knowledge boards to be
9 installed.

10
11 The Board discussed TSSD, its proximity to Lindon Marina, and their plans for engineered wetlands
12 and boardwalks. These plans included educational opportunities, rentals, and access improvements.
13 They praised TSSD's efforts in water clarity and cleaning, mentioning their collaboration with the
14 Army Corps and the progress of their engineering plans.

15
16 Lars Anderson discussed the south trailhead in phase B, emphasizing its functionality with 65 stalls
17 and a restroom but no barn. He highlighted its suitability for fourth graders, offering an outdoor area
18 for presentations. Lars mentioned that the project would oversee construction, while Home City would
19 handle maintenance, with city council approval. He described the barn's design in phase A and B,
20 featuring an open and airy structure with many doors and openings, primarily serving as a shade
21 structure but also capable of hosting events like wedding receptions, to be managed by the city.

22
23 Kameron Dalton asked about details along the trail.

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25 Lars Anderson replied that they hadn't discussed that level of detail yet, but it was the next step.

26
27 A Board Member asked about resolving conflicts with the Holdaway family regarding a certain matter.
28 They mentioned receiving an email from Joe Perry that opened the door for a possible amicable
29 solution. The idea was to remove the threat of litigation and collaborate on donating a piece of land to
30 the Department of Natural Resources, allowing for state control. This proposal seemed to gain more
31 support because it would encourage conservation and collaboration.

32
33 The discussion acknowledged that there was still work to be done, including further communication
34 with the involved families and confirmation with the Department of Natural Resources. The goal was
35 to put the organization in a better position to provide public access to the land while respecting the
36 family's generational investment. The Board members wanted to honor the family's legacy and involve
37 them in future steps. They also discussed the possibility of an educational walkway commemorating
38 early settlers and their history to honor that legacy.

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40 Chair Julie Fullmer noted that there were many resources for the family and early settlers. BYU and
41 UVU were working on videos of the settlers in that area. It would help preserve the legacy.

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43 **6.2 ULA Branding Presentation – BWP**

44
45 Brett Palmer introduced himself and his team, including Abigail and Adrian, who was responsible for
46 the brand architecture. They discussed the brand's purpose, position, promise, brand pillars, and

1 personality. The purpose was to help people fall in love with Utah Lake by reimagining it as a year-
2 round recreation destination. The position emphasized Utah Lake as a hidden gem waiting to be
3 discovered. The promise was about offering endless adventures that entertain and inspire visitors.
4

5 They outlined brand pillars: Exploration, Fun, Optimism, Responsibility, Growth, and Connection.
6 They defined the primary personality as the Explorer and the secondary personality as the Jester,
7 characterized by adventure, playfulness, and optimism. He provided context by mentioning the
8 National Park Service's brand approach, infusing humor into their messaging. The goal was to create a
9 self-identifying brand for Utah Lake that people could relate to.

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11 Additionally, they discussed the brand's personality attributes: Adventurous, Energetic, Playful, Wise,
12 and Cool Conscientious. These attributes aimed to encourage outdoor recreation, connect with the
13 community, and inspire positive action.
14

15 Overall, they outlined the brand's core elements and approach to connecting with the audience. Brett
16 mentioned that they had developed a 62-second pitch, a 12-second pitch, and messaging concepts but
17 asked for input on the timeline for moving forward, particularly regarding the logo process.
18

19 **6.3 ULA Management Plan, Project Evaluation Weighted Ranking – Jacobs Engineering**

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21 During the meeting, Dave Epstein and his team introduced the concept of multiple objective decision
22 analysis (MODA). They intended to conduct an exercise with the participants to prioritize different
23 opportunities. However, they decided to provide a presentation instead due to time constraints. They
24 discussed the importance of MODA for prioritizing projects and allocating funding based on multiple
25 objectives and decision factors. The presentation aimed to provide an overview of how MODA works
26 and its relevance to their decision-making process. They also mentioned sending out materials related
27 to MODA and planned to walk through the process with the participants, followed by a discussion on
28 potential approaches for averaging individual weightings.
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30 Dan Pitzler explained the multi-objective decision analysis (MODA) procedure and its common use in
31 prioritizing capital projects. The MODA process involves defining criteria, measuring project
32 performance against these criteria, creating a project list, assigning weights to criteria, scoring
33 projects, calculating overall project value, comparing it to costs, and generating a ranked project list.
34 He highlighted that while obtaining a ranked list is crucial, the real challenge lies in scheduling,
35 implementation, and considering funding sources, regional equity, and other factors. The discussion
36 mainly centered on the weighting step of MODA, with upcoming talks on project prioritization.
37

38 Kayla [no surname] provided an overview of the recommendations and projects considered in the
39 Lake Management Plan. She explained that capital construction projects would receive a prioritization
40 score, while other recommendations focused on collaboration with partner agencies and research
41 questions might or might not undergo the prioritization process. A pre-screening checklist ensures
42 projects meet specific criteria before entering prioritization. The evaluation criteria were developed
43 with input from the planning team, aligning with the plan's vision themes: ecosystems, recreational
44 opportunities, and vibrant communities. The functional requirements aim to measure project
45 effectiveness and alignment with partner objectives. She emphasized that weighting the criteria allows
46 for incorporating various stakeholder values and priorities into the process.

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2 Dan explained the concept of swing weighting using a car-buying example to illustrate how it works.
3 He demonstrated how to assign weights to sub-criteria and main criteria by considering the transition
4 from the worst to the best outcome for each. Dan also mentioned the waiting form that would be sent
5 to the Board, containing criteria, worst and excellent outcomes, and the request for board members to
6 provide their weights. The proposed approach involved using the Board's average weights for the
7 initial prioritization round, with the possibility of conducting sensitivity analyses if needed. Dan
8 concluded his explanation and asked if there were any quick questions before the meeting adjourned.
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10 **7. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

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12 Chair Julie Fullmer opened the meeting for public comment.
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14 Christina Davis introduced herself as a representative of Utah Valley and an adjunct professor at UVU
15 in the Department of Biology. She mentioned her involvement as the Chair of Lake Saturdays for
16 Earth Day for the past four years. Christina offered to collaborate and volunteer her time and energy
17 for Earth Day in 2024, proposing the idea of holding the event at Utah Lake. She provided her contact
18 information for further communication. The Board expressed their appreciation and interest in the
19 collaboration.
20

21 Sean Thornton, creator of the Windy Lookout app, introduced himself to the Utah Lake Authority and
22 expressed their interest in partnering to expand the services offered to all users of Utah Lake. The
23 Windy Lookout app is designed for Utah Lake and serves as a water detection and alert system. They
24 mentioned that the app can be found on the app store and is promoted on life jacket monitor stations
25 around the lake. The creator emphasized the potential for collaboration, expanding services, and
26 gathering more data.
27

28 Richard Foggio made two comments during the meeting. The first comment was related to the
29 reporting of Harmful Algal Blooms (HABs) in Utah Lake. He suggested that reporting HABs when
30 they are over and providing information on the percentage of the lake affected could help improve the
31 perception of the lake's safety.
32

33 His second comment was related to the presentation by BWP & Associates. He suggested adding a
34 brand pillar that links the lake to the national and global ecosystem, considering the Jester archetype to
35 make the lake's history more engaging, and keeping the ULA brand separate from the Utah Lake
36 brand. He also mentioned that rebranding should be given serious consideration due to potential
37 confusion and negative brand equity associated with Utah Lake.
38

39 Josh Herman, President of Liquid LLC, shared his positive experience interacting with local
40 businesses and recreational activities at Utah Lake. He mentioned that he perceives an open-door
41 policy for businesses at Utah Lake Authority (ULA) meetings and feels that most attendees are open to
42 bringing businesses to the lake. He also suggested that businesses with a negative perception of
43 working with the ULA could be invited to special events or meetings to discuss how they can
44 collaborate and operate at the lake. He mentioned offering support for such events, including concerts
45 and keynote addresses, to help businesses see the lake as an open and welcoming opportunity for their
46 operations. Additionally, he mentioned receiving an offer for a 2023 Malibu free day from a business

1 president, which exemplified the positive interactions between businesses and the ULA.

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3 **8. ADJOURNMENT**

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5 Motion to adjourn.

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7 Carolyn Lundberg motioned to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by Michelle Kaufusi. The meeting was
8 adjourned.

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ULA Work Session

Thursday, August 14, 2023, A.M.

in the Provo Airport, 1331 Sky Way, Provo, UT 84601

ATTENDEES:

Julie Fullmer, Vineyard, Chair
Eric Ellis, Utah Lake Authority
Curtis Blair, UV Chamber
John Mackey, DWQ
Jamie Barnes, FFSL
Hilary Hungerford, UVU
Mark Johnson, Lehi
Carolyn Lundberg, Lindon
Brian Torgerson, Provo
Chris Carn, Saratoga Springs
Lisa Shepherd, Utah County
John Mackey, DWQ
Kamron Dalton, GO UTAH
Terry Peterson, Orem

Teri Harman
Renn Lambert
Sarah
J
Ryan Van Goethem
John Bennion
Casey Saxton
Wayne Bradshaw
David Rowley

VISITORS:

Congressman Burgess Owens
Jodi Garberg
Josh Hermann
Kaye Nelson
Scott Daly

WELCOME AND CALL TO ORDER:

Chair Julie Fullmer opened the work session.

Eric Ellis aimed to summarize various issues and programs related to Utah Lake. He encouraged the attendees, including Congressman Owen, to actively participate in the discussion. The goal was to foster a better understanding of the challenges and opportunities surrounding Utah Lake, focusing on potential federal partnerships, particularly in education, water programs, and transportation.

Congressman Burgess Owens expressed his excitement about the potential of Utah Lake and commended the innovative team working on its development. He highlighted his commitment to realizing the lake's full potential and expressed gratitude for the engagement of those involved in the project.

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1 ECOSYSTEM

2
3 Eric Ellis discussed the new Utah Lake Management Authority plan, which is divided into
4 three main topics: ecosystem, recreation, and community. They focus on water quality in the
5 ecosystem category and have partnered with the Division of Water Quality for a water quality
6 study. The main goal is to reduce nutrient levels in Utah Lake to support beneficial uses,
7 including recreation and aquatic life. They are also working on strategies to address non-point
8 sources of nutrients. Algae blooms are a concern during the summer, and treatments are
9 scheduled for Utah Lake State Park and Linden Marina to target areas where people interact
10 with the water. Long-term solutions for nutrient reduction are being explored.

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12 He answered a question about funds. The funds for the treatments primarily come from the
13 state at the moment. They have focused on treating isolated locations where people swim.
14 However, they are exploring the possibility of larger-scale solutions to address water quality
15 issues, such as stabilizing the lake to prevent nutrient upwelling. He also discussed the efforts
16 to reduce invasive species, specifically phragmites, along the lake's shoreline, with significant
17 progress made in reducing their presence over the years through ongoing treatments.

18
19 He continued that the treatment to remove phragmites involves several steps. First, the
20 herbicide is applied with a helicopter to kill the plants. After the phragmites have died, marsh
21 masters, which are amphibious machines, are used to mow down the vegetation. This process
22 targets both the above-ground seed heads and the roots of the plants. Currently, the efforts are
23 state-funded and do not have a federal nexus. However, there is potential to change the
24 conversation to focus on water mitigation and its impact on various species, which might
25 garner more federal support.

26
27 The discussion highlighted the significant impact of invasive species like fragments on the
28 habitat for migratory birds, especially regarding nesting areas. Additionally, mosquitoes have
29 become a growing concern, potentially due to the phragmites problem. The need for attention
30 and support from both state and federal levels is recognized. Combating invasive species has
31 involved various strategies, including using machines, drones, and precision treatments.
32 Progress has been made in reducing phragmites along the shoreline, with a 70% reduction
33 observed over the years. The June Sucker program has also made strides in improving habitat
34 conditions and achieving the downlisting of the species from the endangered list. Completing
35 the Provo River Delta Restoration project is a positive development for multiple fish species
36 and recreation.

37 Eric Ellis addressed the issue of northern pike illegally introduced into the lake, posing a threat
38 to the June Sucker population and requiring management measures.

39
40 HEALTHY ECOSYSTEM

41
42 Next, they discussed the importance of a healthy ecosystem with an established shoreline and
43 submerged aquatic vegetation. It emphasizes that a balanced ecosystem allows predatory and
44 desirable fish to thrive. The need for reestablishing vegetation to provide habitat is highlighted.

45
46 Furthermore, the conversation mentioned challenges related to public access to Utah Lake,
47 particularly due to its shallow nature and fluctuating water levels. It suggests that focused

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1 dredging in marinas and areas with high nutrient concentrations could improve water quality
2 and access for boaters.

3
4 They touched on the success of securing legislative support for Utah Lake, with significant
5 investments in access enhancements and marina upgrades. It mentions the installation of a
6 marina camera network to help people choose less busy marinas and monitor traffic patterns.
7 Additionally, the conversation highlights the expansion and investment in the South Marina in
8 Saratoga Springs, with a total investment of around \$5 million.

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10 NORTH MARINA PROJECT

11
12 Eric Ellis noted the presence of the South Marina, which has been there for some time, and the
13 new North Marina, which is currently under development. The North Marina project is
14 progressing well; aerial images and renderings show its potential layout and appearance. The
15 North Marina is expected to be a significant addition to the area, potentially drawing visitors
16 from Salt Lake County due to its location at the north end of the lake.

17
18 The project is currently funded with approximately \$2.3 million, with an additional \$2.5
19 million in funding being worked on. The project is estimated to cost between \$30 to \$40
20 million. The funding comes from a combination of Saratoga Springs-based funding and grants
21 from other agencies.

22
23 ACCESS POINTS

24
25 The conversation discusses various projects to improve access points around the lake, focusing
26 on enhancing 17 out of 27 access points. The potential for motorboat access or sportsman's
27 access programs to support these projects is mentioned. Many of these access points have the
28 potential for major improvements to create beautiful and functional areas.

29
30 VINEYARD CITY CENTER AND PROMENADE

31
32 The conversation also mentions a partnership with Vineyard City to develop a city center with
33 a promenade leading from the UTA tracks or FrontRunner station to the lakeshore. This project
34 aims to create a unique and engaging area near the lake, with a current model illustrating the
35 concept, including a dense city center transitioning to natural open space as one moves south.

36
37 Julie Fullmer discussed various aspects of the project, including invasive species mitigation
38 using methods like marsh management and grazing with cows or goats. There's also a focus on
39 water quality mitigation at the old Geneva site, particularly in the North Marina area. The
40 conversation emphasizes the need to balance economic development with conservation efforts,
41 coordination involving the Army Corps, transportation lines, and potential connections to the
42 city center.

43
44 LINDON CITY PARK/GENEVA RESORT

45
46 Eric Ellis discussed a project involving Lindon City, located north of Vineyard. Behind the
47 existing marina is a piece of land with historical significance related to the Geneva Resort.
48 Lindon City is working on a park plan for this area to improve the trail and connect it to the
49 Lake Shore trail to the north. They are partnering with Timpanogos Special Service District to

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1 move this project forward, and permitting is nearing completion. Work on this project is
2 expected to begin in the next year or so.

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4 Mayor Carolyn Lundberg noted that the focus of the discussion was the conservation education
5 park, which held historical significance dating back to pioneer times. In the past, this area
6 served as a stop for pioneers traveling by railroad to a resort with a hotel, dance hall, and a
7 giant slide. The goal was to restore some historical elements, including signage and a pavilion
8 while connecting the existing shoreline trail with Vineyard's developments and the Lindon
9 Heritage Trail, which runs from the mountains to the shoreline. Efforts were made to secure a
10 pedestrian or bicycle path crossing a rail spur to complete the trail connection, enhancing
11 access to the marina and the lake for residents and visitors alike. The permitting would be
12 costly. Coordination with various stakeholders, including Union Pacific, was ongoing to
13 address this regional issue.

14
15 The group discussed the reasons for the permitting being delayed.

16
17 Congressman Burgess wanted to stay informed and supported something being done to move
18 the project forward.

19
20 OPEN SPACE SOUTH OF VINEYARD CITY

21
22 Eric Ellis discussed a project involving a large open space park in the southern part of
23 Vineyard City. The Bureau of Reclamation was in the process of a land swap to simplify trail
24 permitting and transform the area into an open space park. The park aimed to support bird
25 nesting and habitat, featuring meadows and wetlands, with trails connecting to Orem and
26 Provo. It was designed to preserve the natural environment, offer bird refuge and hunting
27 opportunities, provide active transportation through trails to the UTA front-runner station, and
28 connect to the Lake Shore Trail, part of a broader plan for a 75 to 100-mile trail system around
29 Utah Lake, with trail locations varying based on the lake's terrain.

30
31 Congressman Burgess is inquiring about the eligibility of the Federal nexus for the community
32 project fund. He's seeking clarification on whether it would automatically be included or if
33 they need to assess the accounts for eligibility. This question arises because earmarks for
34 community projects have been reintroduced recently, and the account criteria may have
35 changed since then.

36
37 VINEYARD SHORELINE AND MURDOCK CANAL TRAILS

38
39 Eric Ellis discussed the importance of completing the Vineyard Shoreline Trail and the
40 Murdoch Canal Trail for usability. He emphasized the expectation of high trail usage, making
41 it a valuable alternative transportation route for valley residents. They mentioned a federal
42 grant for the top left section in Saratoga, which was supplemented by a state land grant but
43 faced challenges, including contractor bankruptcy. He mentioned that the two sections they
44 were working on would complete 11.5 miles of shoreline trail, with about a mile and a half still
45 needing improvement. The plan was initially to pave it, but they encountered issues with the
46 wall's security, leading to additional work. Ultimately, this work aimed to finish the 11.5-mile
47 trail.

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49 NATURE CENTER

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1
2 Eric Ellis noted a research and nature center that was planned in the past. This center had a
3 dual purpose, serving as the office for the Utah County fire warden and offering garage space.
4 It was intended to enhance field trips for students by allowing the fire warden to educate them
5 about water systems and their impact on fires. Local researchers, including those from UVU
6 and Utah State University, were eager to partner on this research center, including wet and dry
7 labs for conducting studies. The proposal sought education funding and had a water quality
8 nexus. They planned to request funding from the upcoming legislative session and were open
9 to federal partnership opportunities.

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11 Congressman Burgess expressed interest in education for higher education and suggested
12 discussing it.

13
14 Eric Ellis mentioned the possibility of tying education-related legislation to a Utah Lake Nature
15 Center program, like the one allowing donation tax credits. This could provide a clear path for
16 donors to receive tax benefits. They were open to exploring various possibilities for
17 collaboration in the past.

18
19 The group discussed an underway marina project that had received about 5 million in funding.
20 The marina was next to another facility and would share parking and boat launching ramps.

21
22 Congressman Burgess inquired about the project's timeline.

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24 Eric Ellis mentioned that it could progress quickly once the necessary funding was secured.
25 Some initial site evaluation and feasibility studies had been conducted, and they had a general
26 design in mind. The group also discussed the involvement of the Hutchings Museum, although
27 it wasn't an official partner for this project. However, they anticipated collaborating on
28 educational aspects, such as citizen scientist programs and identified various partnership
29 opportunities.

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31 WATER SAFETY

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33 Eric Ellis discussed past efforts to improve water safety on Utah Lake by installing wind
34 stations on the north and west sides of the lake. These stations provided data for the Windy
35 Lookout app, offering boaters a 30-minute alert before windstorms hit. He also mentioned a
36 life jacket loaner program at major marina access points, where volunteers ensured that
37 donated life jackets were available. This program was initiated in response to a tragic incident
38 where individuals without life jackets got caught in a windstorm.

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40 Additionally, he highlighted the collaboration with partners, including the Utah Lake
41 Commission, which had been operational for 16 years, and its purpose was to unify
42 communities around the lake. The Utah Lake Authority continued this work with better
43 funding and state support, enabling them to undertake projects to improve water quality and
44 access on the vast Utah Lake, which covered 150 square miles. Increased funding allowed for
45 more significant enhancements and projects on the lake.

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47 UTAH LAKE WATER QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PLAN
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1 Director Mackey discussed past funding programs, including \$30 million in ARPA funding
2 focusing on watershed issues that benefited communities around Utah Lake. Most of the funds,
3 about \$26 million, were allocated to capital infrastructure projects, primarily wastewater
4 treatment facilities. The remaining funds were used for projects related to non-point source
5 pollution, agriculture initiatives (like virtual fencing), and education.
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7 Julie Fullmer mentioned receiving an additional \$5 million from the state, which was used to
8 acquire wetland areas for land banking. However, due to the extensive needs around the lake,
9 this funding was insufficient to address all necessary improvements. They emphasized the
10 importance of seeking additional funding resources to complete their management plan and
11 enhance public access to the lake.
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13 Eric Ellis discussed the progress made by the Utah Lake Authority in developing a
14 management plan for Utah Lake. The conceptual stage of the plan had been completed, and the
15 final plan was about to be rolled out. This plan identified numerous projects that needed
16 funding, and while they lacked sufficient resources to complete all of them, they were looking
17 to tap into various programs to achieve measurable results. He emphasized the importance of
18 improving public perception of Utah Lake, which historically had faced challenges due to
19 water quality issues. They engaged in various outreach efforts, including fourth-grade field
20 trips, an annual photo contest, and scavenger hunts to highlight the lake's beauty and potential.
21 They also collaborated with partners like the Hutchings Museum, Utah Valley Explore, and the
22 June Sucker program to enhance the lake's image and utilize its potential as a treasure.
23 Additionally, they had developed a new logo for the Lake Authority and were working with an
24 ad firm to implement ideas for improving public perception.
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26 The group watched a short campaign video titled "Utah Lake is My Lake."
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28 Eric Ellis mentioned an impactful campaign they had organized in the past, where they
29 interviewed individuals and released clips during the summertime. This campaign aimed to
30 change the perception of Utah Lake, which had historically been associated with negative
31 qualities like being stinky, murky, and dirty. Changing this perception was a gradual process,
32 and they had seen progress, albeit challenging to change an entire generation's perception of
33 the lake. He concluded by suggesting a discussion about ways Congressman Burgess's
34 connection or interest in the lake could further their efforts in the future.
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36 Director Mackey explained that they observed changes in Utah Lake's ecosystem, shifting from
37 a macro-based ecosystem to an algae-based one. They conducted microcosm studies on algae,
38 finding that nutrient management could improve the situation. They were almost done with
39 mass balance studies examining nutrient cycling, which showed promising results for a rapid
40 recovery under improved nutrient conditions, possibly within 1 to 3 years.
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42 He emphasized the importance of addressing nutrients and controlling carp, which stir up
43 sediments and prevent light penetration, hindering the growth of submerged vegetation. The
44 strategies of reducing point source loads, managing stormwater, and restoring habitat were
45 essential for effective lake management.
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47 Director Mackey stressed the importance of collaboration with the Utah Lake Authority and
48 the need to maintain the organization's strength and momentum as it represents all the lake's

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1 interests and the engaged public. He highlighted the critical timing for continued efforts and
2 maintaining organizational structure and momentum.

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4 Julie Fullmer opened the floor for questions, comments, and ideas regarding what the
5 participants were working on, current activities, future aspirations, and what they hoped
6 Congressman Owens could support.

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8 Curtis Blair emphasized the importance of exploring synergies and mutual support, considering
9 Congressman Owens' influential committee roles and discussing effective collaboration. They
10 sought suggestions on how to enhance their partnership.

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12 Congressman Burgess expressed his gratitude for the current team and their shared vision. He
13 emphasized the importance of collaboration, communication and how their community can fit
14 into various initiatives. He also highlighted his role on the Education Infrastructure Committee
15 and the opportunity to develop a vision for Utah, positioning the state as an example of
16 innovation and collaboration for the rest of the country.

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18 Mayor Fullmer highlighted the importance of sharing information about their respective
19 initiatives and projects related to water infrastructure investment. She suggested that each
20 entity could provide updates on their work and potentially seek support or collaboration.
21 Mayor Fullmer also mentioned the significance of reclamation plants and their impact on
22 nutrient levels, affecting various aspects like land use, road infrastructure, and wildlife
23 management. She emphasized the potential for collaboration among the various entities to
24 create a comprehensive list of projects and goals.

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26 The group discussed potential collaboration and the need to coordinate their efforts effectively.

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28 Congressman Burgess emphasized the importance of working together to address concerns
29 related to the environment, such as nutrient management and the impact on wildlife. He
30 highlighted the opportunity to focus on these issues and make a significant impact locally and
31 as a model for others.

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33 Devon Murphy encouraged the group to communicate their community project funding
34 requests and identified accounts they could tap into, emphasizing the need to start early to
35 secure federal funding.

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37 Congressman Burgess and others emphasized the importance of acting quickly due to the
38 limited time window for grant submissions. Devon Murphy also mentioned their willingness to
39 provide grant support and collaborate across the congressional delegation to advance
40 community projects.

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42 The group discussed the advantages of collaboration and the benefits to the community,
43 including tourism and infrastructure improvements. There was a question about whether the
44 Utah Lake Authority (ULA) or individual cities should make funding requests, to which the
45 response was that it depends on the nature of the request and the specific account. They agreed
46 to contact the congressional office to determine which accounts would suit their project ideas.

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48 Congressman Burgess highlighted the success of previous water-related funding requests and
49 emphasized the importance of proactively addressing the issues specific to their region.

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2 Mayor Lundberg inquired about Utah's success in securing appropriations and whether there
3 was room for improvement compared to other states.
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5 Congressman Burgess explained that the community project funding request process allows
6 them to allocate a small percentage of discretionary spending (1% or half a percent) to specific
7 projects. He also emphasized the importance of encouraging Senators to participate in the
8 process.
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10 Devon Murphy mentioned that Utah's House delegation had successfully accepted their
11 requests, with 14 out of 15 requests approved. She clarified that each congressional office
12 could submit up to 15 total requests.
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14 Congressman Burgess expressed the importance of pursuing impactful projects while avoiding
15 unrelated or "crazy" ideas. He encouraged the group to continue their efforts and present them
16 positively.
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18 When asked about ties to the Great Salt Lake Recovery efforts, Eric Ellis explained that while
19 they are not directly connected in funding, there is a clear connection regarding watershed and
20 water quality, with actions in Utah Lake potentially benefiting the Great Salt Lake.
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22 Kameron Dalton highlighted the direct connection between eliminating frag mites and water
23 preservation in Utah Lake, which ultimately impacts the water flow into the Great Salt Lake.
24 He emphasized the potential to connect various projects to statewide and national water-related
25 initiatives, including preserving water rights and setting aside watershed preservation areas,
26 focusing on migratory patterns across the Great Salt Lake.
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28 Hilary Hungerford expressed excitement about Congressman Burgess being on the education
29 committee and highlighted how UVU uses Utah Lake as a laboratory for research. She
30 mentioned the impact of Utah Lake on the workforce, with many students staying in Utah after
31 graduation. Congressman Burgess acknowledged the importance of education and workforce
32 development related to the lake and expressed enthusiasm for the opportunities for research
33 and education there.
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35 Curtis Blair expressed gratitude for serving on the board. He emphasized making Utah Lake a
36 destination that conserves its heritage and values while supporting commerce and community
37 development. He welcomed Congressman Burgess's involvement in navigating challenges and
38 funding opportunities, highlighting the potential for Utah Lake to enhance the character and
39 quality of the county.
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41 Congressman Burgess appreciated the collaboration and innovation he witnessed in the
42 meeting. He acknowledged the exciting potential for Utah Lake to become a prominent
43 destination in the state in the coming years. He and his staff had to leave and asked for a photo
44 with the board.
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46 **PUBLIC COMMENT:**
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48 *Due to a miscommunication, ULA staff ended the online portion of the meeting when the
49 photo was taken. As soon as the mistake was realized, the meeting was restarted, however no

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1 one joined. Chair Fullmer explained what had happened. There wa one online comment that
2 had been sent in the chat before the meeting disconnected that Sam Braegger read aloud.

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4 An online comment by J: While the lake benefits from the improvements mentioned today, in
5 what ways will local and state officials open doors for local businesses to help bring commerce
6 and recreation to you?

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8 **After the meeting, efforts were made to contact those who attended the online meeting and
9 offered the chance to make a public comment via email to ULA staff to be shared with the
10 board before the next meeting. Only one comment was submitted via email, by Sarah Graham,
11 included here:*

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13 My name is Sarah Graham. Provo is my hometown and where I currently live. I love Utah
14 Lake and have been learning more about it, volunteering with the Provo River Delta Project
15 and Conserve Utah Valley and getting to know members of the Timpanogos Nation, some of
16 whose ancestors knew some of mine.

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18 Back in May, I submitted a public comment requesting that the ULA board ‘regularly include
19 at least one representative of the Timpanogos Nation in their decision-making.’ As you may
20 know, it is a fact well-documented in historical sources such as the 1776 Dominguez-Escalante
21 expedition that the people indigenous to this area called themselves and were known as the
22 Timpanogos, and that the lake was originally called Timpanogos Lake.

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24 Executive Director Ellis responded: 'The membership of the ULA Board is determined by the
25 Legislature, not the current Board of Directors; as such, it would take legislative action to
26 adjust the makeup of the ULA Board.' I have contacted my legislative representatives and
27 would like to reiterate my comment.

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29 I have personally seen how hard Mary Meyer and other representatives of the Timpanogos
30 Nation have been working to educate the public on their traditional ecological knowledge and
31 wisdom at UVU, BYU and other forums in this valley.

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33 As a city, county and state, I think we should be proud of this rich and unique cultural heritage
34 and the long-term perspective handed down by the Timpanogos people from generation to
35 generation, despite the near-annihilation of genocide they continue to survive.

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37 I am happy to see that the ULA recently hired a conservation biologist to inform their
38 decisions. I strongly believe we should also include a representative of the Timpanogos Nation
39 in decision making surrounding the lake on a meaningful, regular basis, preferably as a
40 permanent board member. This would further contribute to the model we provide to other
41 places across the country, which Congressman Owens mentioned today at the meeting.

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43 You can reach the Timpanogos Nation using the email listed on their website,
44 <https://timpanogostribe.com/>: TimpanogosTribe@gmail.com

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46 I am confused why the public comments were not announced and held as scheduled on the
47 agenda. I took time out of my full-time work to be there for the last hour of the meeting, which
48 already is scheduled during the time most people work. As a citizen, I expect public
49 participation to be transparent and accessible.

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Thank you for your time and attention,

Sarah Graham
Provo, UT 84606

Curtis Blair emphasized the need to balance conservation efforts and allow businesses and entrepreneurs to engage with the lake. He mentioned that there seems to be a waiting period for signals of support and endorsement from the community, including ULA, city councils, and mayors. He suggested that broadcasting a message encouraging businesses and entrepreneurs to participate in lake-related ventures could help stimulate growth while being sensitive to conservation efforts.

Mayor Fullmer discussed the importance of enhancing access points to the lake to promote business and community interaction.

Curtis Blair emphasized the need for stewardship, accountability, and balance when allowing businesses to engage with the lake. There was also a mention of exploring strategies to unite the community and make Utah Lake a destination.

ADJOURNMENT:

Motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was made by Terry Peterson. Chris Carn seconded the motion.