## **Red Butte Canyon Spill Unified Command**

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## Red Butte Canyon Spill Town Hall to be Held Monday, July 12

A public town hall meeting regarding the Red Butte Canyon Oil Spill will be held:

Monday, July 12, 2010 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

## **Clayton Middle School** 1470 South 1900 East Salt Lake City, Utah

- Members of Unified Command will be on hand to provide updates on the spill cleanup and restoration progress including representatives from Salt Lake City, Chevron, EPA, DEQ, Salt Lake County and Salt Lake Valley Health Department.
- The agenda will include brief comments from the Unified Command members on each agency's oversight responsibility, a progress report on the cleanup activities, an overview of the long-term restoration plans, and a Q&A session. All interested parties are invited to attend.

## Chevron Continues Clean Up, Plans for Second Flush of Red Butte Creek

- Round-the-clock efforts to recover residual oil from the Red Butte Canyon spill continue.
- As part of the continued recovery efforts, crews will conduct a second water flush of Red Butte Creek on Tuesday, July 13, starting at approximately 9:00 a.m. This includes a release of water from Red Butte Reservoir to increase the flow rate and water level of the creek. This process will help wash any residual oil from the creek banks and culverts downstream, where it will be captured by the booms and collected by vacuum trucks and absorbent materials along the way.
- Residents and visitors along the creek will notice an increased water level and flow rate that will last approximately 2 hours. The water level will be comparable to levels reached during a heavy rain storm, but could rise 12 inches or more.
- To ensure safety, workers and residents especially children should stay away from the creek during this operation.
- The Red Butte Creek Cleanup, Recovery and Restoration plan is currently under review by Unified Command. An outline of the plan will be shared at the public Town Hall meeting on Monday, July 12.