

Greetings,

Below are details of the dewatering permitting process. This is the order of what needs to be done for obtaining coverage from the state and the city for dewatering:

**FIRST** (for State permit coverage)

- If the *quality of the groundwater is unknown* but contamination is anticipated/suspected, you will need to test the water for contaminants (to determine if it needs to be a Treated Groundwater permit or a General Construction Dewatering Permit)
  - Treated Groundwater permit is for sites that have a history of land-use that might suggest a potential for pollution (such as an Underground Storage Tank, or dry cleaners, etc.)
    - If contamination is suspected, test for: Volatile Organics (EPA 8260 Method), Semi-Volatiles (EPA 8270 Method), and CERCLA 8 Metals;
    - Reach out to [Matthew.Hendrix@slcgov.com](mailto:Matthew.Hendrix@slcgov.com) (801-483-6729) with the results.
    - NOTE: While this permit is generally for sites contaminated by hydrocarbons, you can get a permit for treating and discharging other contaminants, but you'll need to talk to DWQ about what they will require
  - Construction Dewatering and Hydrostatic Testing is the general dewatering permit for construction activities for uncontaminated ground/surface water
  - State's website for accessing both permits: <https://deq.utah.gov/water-quality/updes-permitting-program#general>
- If *contaminated*:
  - Apply for a UTG790000 permit through the state:
    - (1) Develop a Dewatering Control Plan for treating the discharge (in compliance with the permit requirements of the UTG790000)
    - (2) Submit an NOI to the state <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/water-quality/surface-water/updes/DWQ-2016-010690.pdf>
    - (3) Make payment and receive approval letter from the State which will dictate specific monitoring requirements (usually there is a 30-day public notice/comment period for these)
    - PERMIT: <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/legacy/permits/water-quality/utah-pollutant-discharge-elimination-system/docs/utg7900002016.pdf>
    - FACT SHEET: <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/legacy/permits/water-quality/utah-pollutant-discharge-elimination-system/docs/2016/treated-gw-general-permit-fact-sheet.pdf>
- If *uncontaminated*:
  - Apply for a UTG070000 permit through the state:
    - (1) Develop a Dewatering Control Plan in compliance with the UPDES permit document; use the City's revised Dewatering Control Plan Template
    - (2) Submit an NOI to the state for the UTG070000 ([https://secure.utah.gov/account/login.html?returnToUrl=https%3A//secure.utah.gov/waterquality/uii\\_authentication](https://secure.utah.gov/account/login.html?returnToUrl=https%3A//secure.utah.gov/waterquality/uii_authentication))
    - (3) Make payment and obtain proof of coverage under the UPDES UTG070000
    - PERMIT: <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/water-quality/permits/updes/DWQ-2019-005143.pdf>

- FACT SHEET: <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/water-quality/permits/updes/DWQ-2019-004174.pdf>

**THEN** (for City permit coverage)

- Apply for a Salt Lake City Public Utilities City Discharge Permit for Dewatering Activities:
  - (1) Submit a City Dewatering NOI
    - Form is on city website, this must be filled, signed, and submitted to [Stormwaterquality@slcgov.com](mailto:Stormwaterquality@slcgov.com)
  - (2) Submit the Dewatering Control Plan (DCP) that was developed for the UTG070000 (or the DCP and associated testing results for the UTG790000)
    - It will need to be reviewed by SLCDPU prior to issuance of the City permit; submit to [Stormwaterquality@slcgov.com](mailto:Stormwaterquality@slcgov.com)
  - (3) Remit \$125 fee payment to the PUT# which will be provided upon acceptance of the Dewatering Control Plan

Finally, once the state dewatering permit is issued, the Dewatering Control Plan is reviewed/approved by SLCDPU, the City dewatering NOI is processed, the City Discharge Permit Number (PUT#) is issued, and fee payment is made, then a City Discharge Permit Letter will be provided to you, which will allow for dewatering operations to begin (in compliance with the respective UPDES permit). A meeting will need to be conducted prior to commencement of dewatering operations to ensure that compliance requirements and expectations are clearly understood by the permittee and their staff.

Please let us know if you have any questions/comments.

Regards,

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