



# American Fork Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA — Scoping Report —



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# 1.0 - Introduction

The United States Department of Agriculture Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is proposing improvements in the American Fork River Watershed through the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program (WPFP). The American Fork Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA will be sponsored by American Fork City and co-sponsored by Lehi City and Pleasant Grove City.

This project's planning phase has been funded through the WPFP Act (Public Law [PL] 83-566), which authorizes funding to help rural and urban communities protect, improve, and develop land resources in watersheds of up to 250,000 acres. This planning phase follows this law as well as the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations and is called a Watershed Plan - Environmental Assessment (Plan-EA). This Plan-EA will discover and analyze any impacts the project actions have to the environment. The Plan-EA will comply with the Council on Environmental Quality's (CEQ) regulations—40 CFR Parts 1500-1508—which require an evaluation of the federal project's actions and potential environmental impacts.

The Plan-EA encompasses many elements:

- Analysis of potential options (alternatives) to meet the general purposes of PL 83-566 and the defined purpose and need of the overall project.
- A study containing a detailed analysis of affected resources that each alternative—which satisfy the purpose and need for the project—may have.
- Identification of potential minimization, mitigation, and avoidance measures that would reduce or eliminate possible impacts.
- A public participation and agency consultation and coordination plan throughout the development of the Plan-EA.

# 1.1 Purpose of Scoping Process

NEPA requires an early and open process to determine the scope and significance of the issues to be addressed by the Plan-EA. Participation of the involved and impacted public, agencies, and organizations is a vital component of the process to identifying issues and resource concerns. This ensures that those who are interested in or potentially affected by proposed alternatives have an opportunity to share concerns and provide insight and input during the initial phases of the planning process. The objectives of scoping include:

- Identify and notify interested and affected parties
- Provide information to agencies, tribes, and the public regarding the proposed project
- Identify significant issues related to the project area

# 1.2 Scoping Process

A diverse group of participants, including public, stakeholder, and government agencies at local, county, and state levels, were invited to participate in the scoping process to identify issues and resource concerns. During the scoping process, project-related input, documents, and comments

were requested. Throughout the development of the Plan-EA, ongoing communication will be maintained with interested public, stakeholders, agencies, and tribes. Interested parties can use a form found on the project website (<a href="https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-plan-ea">https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-plan-ea</a>) to request inclusion on project updates. All public scoping activities, meetings, and comments will be documented to ensure NEPA, CEQ, and NRCS scoping requirements have been met. Detailed objectives are included in the Public Participation Plan, shown in Appendix A.

# 1.3 Organizational Involvement

Roles and responsibilities for the scoping process included:

- USDA-NRCS: Lead NEPA Agency
- American Fork City: Project Sponsor
- Lehi City: Project Co-Sponsor
- Pleasant Grove City: Project Co-Sponsor
- Franson Civil Engineers: Third-party Engineering Consultant
- Jones & DeMille Engineering: Third-party Engineering Consultant
- Horrocks Engineers: Third-party Engineering Consultant

# 2.0 - Scoping Process Summary

The following section summarizes the scoping activities and outreach efforts coordinated for the proposed project.

# 2.1 Scoping Announcements and Comment Period Schedule

The following milestones were met for the project's initial scoping process with agencies and the public. A 30-day comment period was held between January 13, 2021, and February 12, 2021, to solicit issues and resource concerns.

#### 1.3.1 Agency Scoping Meeting

- January 6, 2021: Scoping meeting invitations sent to agencies, including cooperating agencies, via email
- January 7, 2021: Scoping meeting invitations sent to agencies via mail
- January 13, 2021: Scoping meeting invitations sent to cooperating agencies by NRCS via mail
- **January 21, 2021**: Agency Scoping Meeting held virtually, recording available

#### 1.3.2 Public Scoping Meeting

- January 8, 2021: Public scoping notice mailings sent to stakeholders and the public.
- **January 6, 13, 20, 2021**: Meeting notice published in *The Daily Herald*
- January 27, 2021: Public Scoping Meeting held virtually The audio of the public meeting did not record, so the relevant portion of the agency meeting presentation was made available

#### 1.3.3 Comment Period

- **January 13, 2021**: (*Comment Period Opened*): Scoping notice, presentation materials, and meeting recording available at:
  - NRCS project website:
     <a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/ut/programs/planning/wpfp/?cid">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/detail/ut/programs/planning/wpfp/?cid</a>
     =nrcseprd1725239
  - o Project website: <a href="https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-plan-ea">https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-plan-ea</a>
- **February 12, 2021** (Comment Period Closed): Comments from all submission options gathered

# 2.2 Scoping Notices

A variety of materials were produced to announce the public scoping meeting: a flyer delivered by mail, a scoping notice placed on the project and NRCS websites, an ad placed in *The Daily Herald* on three dates, and on social media platforms. Appendix B includes links for scoping notices and the newspaper ad. The list of recipients (agency, stakeholder, public) was prepared by the NRCS, sponsors/co-sponsors, and consultants.

#### 2.2.1 Scoping Materials Content:

- Project summary
- Public Scoping Meeting details (date, time, how to attend)
- Comment period open/close details
- List of comment submission methods and instructions (online form, email, and physical letter)

#### 2.2.2 Publishing details:

- A scoping notice was mailed to 110 public/stakeholders on January 8, 2021. Recipients were adjacent property owners in American Fork, Pleasant Grove, and Lehi Cities.
- Webpage with project, meeting, and comment period details posted on https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-plan-ea on January 13, 2021.
- Scoping notice and meeting details posted in legal section of the *Daily Herald* (both digitally and physically) on January 6, 13, 20, 2021.
- Comment form and further comment method details posted on https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-ea on January 13, 2021.

# 2.3 Meetings

Several meetings were held to present the Plan-EA/NEPA process to maximize coordination understanding and processes; to gather input for project concerns, opinions, and possible obstacles/opposition; and to discuss possible/proposed alternatives. The list of meetings includes ones held with the NRCS project team, project sponsors and co-sponsors, agencies, stakeholders, and the public.

# 2.3.1 List of Meeting Dates, Times, and Virtual Platforms:

#### Sponsor Kick-off Meeting:

November 18, 2020; 3:00 p.m.; virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

Project kickoff meeting with NRCS, project sponsors/co-sponsors, and consultants to make introductions; discuss project purposes, and to setup project communication and outreach activities including the scoping meeting schedule.

#### Agency Scoping Meeting:

January 21, 2021; 2:00 p.m.; virtual meeting via Microsoft Teams

Meeting with agencies to present an overview of the NRCS funding, NEPA process, the project, and to solicit information/comments. A link for the power point presentation and list of those who attended is found in Appendix B. A recording of the meeting can be viewed here: https://youtu.be/7D0K9Kq8EWE

#### Public Scoping Meeting:

January 27, 2021; 5:30 p.m.; virtual meeting via Zoom

Meeting to present an overview of the NRCS funding, NEPA process, project issues, and to solicit information/comments. Attendees were tracked. A link for the power point presentation is found in Appendix B. The audio of the meeting was not captured due to software error. Therefore, the agency meeting was posted to the project website for public viewing—website is listed above.

# 3.0 - Comments

# 3.1 Public Scoping Meeting

The Public Scoping Meeting took place on January 27, 2021, at 5:30 p.m. As previously noted, the recording of the agency scoping meeting was made available on the project website so that the public could watch the replay. Participants of the scoping meetings were invited to submit comments via online form, email, or physical letter.

Table 3-1 lists the project team members in attendance for the scoping meetings.

Table 3-1. Project Team Member Attendance

NAME	ORGANIZATION	TITLE
Rebecca Andrus	American Fork City	City Engineer
Brad Kenison	Lehi City	Assistant Engineer
Marty Beaumont Aaron Wilson	Pleasant Grove City	Public Works Director City Engineer
Derek Hamilton	NRCS	Water Resources Coordinator
Aimee Rohner	NRCS	State Design Project Engineer
Lane Peirce	Franson Civil Engineers	Engineering Project Manager
Monique Robbins	Franson Civil Engineers	Environmental Lead
Eleanore Chambers	Franson Civil Engineers	Public Involvement
Ted Michelsen	Jones & DeMille Engineering	Engineering Project Manager
Jenna Jorgensen	Jones & DeMille Engineering	NEPA Specialist
John Schiess	Horrocks Engineers	Engineering Project Manager
Judy Imlay	Horrocks Engineers	NEPA Specialist

#### 3.2 Comments Received

There were multiple methods available for submission of comments: online form (accessible via the project website), email, or physical letter.

One comment was received during the scoping period from the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) relating to the June suckers and their potential presence in the American Fork River channel upstream of Utah Lake. See Appendix C for the comment.

# 4.0 - Resource Concerns and Cooperating Agencies

## 4.1 Resource Concerns

Based on the required scoping concerns outlined in the National Watershed Program Manual Section 501.24B and from any additional concerns identified during scoping, a comprehensive list was compiled for the project as shown in Table 4-1.

Table 4-1. Resource Concerns

Item/Concern	Item/Concern
SOILS	ANIMALS
Soil Resources	Fish and Wildlife
Sedimentation	Fish/Essential Fish Habitat
Prime and Unique Farmland	Endangered and Threatened Species
WATER	Migratory Birds
Surface Water Quality	Ecologically Critical Areas
Ground Water Quality	HUMANS
Water Resources	Environmental Justice
Water bodies – Waters of the U.S.	Cultural and Historic Resources
Wild and Scenic Rivers	Land Use and Recreation
Floodplain Management	Scenic Beauty and Parklands
Sole Source Aquifers	Public Health and Safety
AIR	Social Issues
Air Quality	OTHER
Clean Air Act	Scientific Resources
PLANTS	Identify regional water resource plans
Endangered and Threatened Species	Not Included – Do Not occur in Utah
Invasive Species	Coral Reefs
Natural Areas	Costal Management Areas
Wetlands/Riparian Areas	Essential Fish Habitat

# 4.2 Cooperating Agencies

Based on National Watershed Program Manual Section 501.3 regarding cooperating agencies, NRCS mailed letters to the following agencies to see if they wanted to be a cooperating agency on the project.

- Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE)
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)
- Bureau of Land Management (BLM)
- U.S. Forest Service (USFS)

EPA, BLM, and USFS formally declined cooperating agency status. No other agencies expressed interest in becoming a cooperating agency at the issuance of this report. An example of a correspondence letter can be found in Appendix D.

Table 4-2. Cooperating Agencies

AGENCY	DECLINED
Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE)	No Response
Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)	X
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS)	No Response
Bureau of Land Management (BLM)	X
U.S. Forest Service (USFS)	X

# 5.0 - Appendix

#### **Appendix A: Public Participation Plan**

A-1: Public Participation Plan for American Fork Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA

#### **Appendix B: Agency and Public Scoping Meeting Materials**

- B-1: American Fork River Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA Stakeholder List
- B-3: Public Scoping Meeting Newspaper Ad Proofs
- B-9: Public Scoping Meeting Online Ad Proofs
- B-13: Public Scoping Materials Notice, Presentation, and Meeting Recording
- B-13 : Agency Scoping Meeting PowerPoint Presentation
- B-13 : Agency Scoping Meeting Recording
- B-13 : Agency Scoping Meeting Attendees

#### **Appendix C: Public Comments**

C-1: Comment Received

#### **Appendix D: Cooperating Agency and Tribal Letter Examples**

D-1 : Cooperating Agency Letter Example

D-2 : Cooperating Tribal Letter Example

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Appendix A: Public Participat	ion Plan	

# Public Participation Plan For

# **American Fork Supplemental Watershed Plan EA**

#### **OBJECTIVES OF THE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION PLAN**

- 1. Ensure that the general public, including private groups, and government agencies; at local, county, and state levels are thoroughly familiarized with the proposed project.
- 2. Provide a forum for the reception and consideration of public input regarding the project. The desired input includes not only opinion, but also uncollected data. Seek input regarding the project problems and opportunities, the range of alternatives, and the potential project impacts.
- 3. Clarify the effects of the diverse alternatives under consideration.
- 4. Collect pre-existing resource data regarding the project watershed. The data will be collected from a multitude of agencies and citizens.
- 5. Incorporate written and verbal comments into the decision-making process.

#### **TECHNIQUES TO ENSURE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

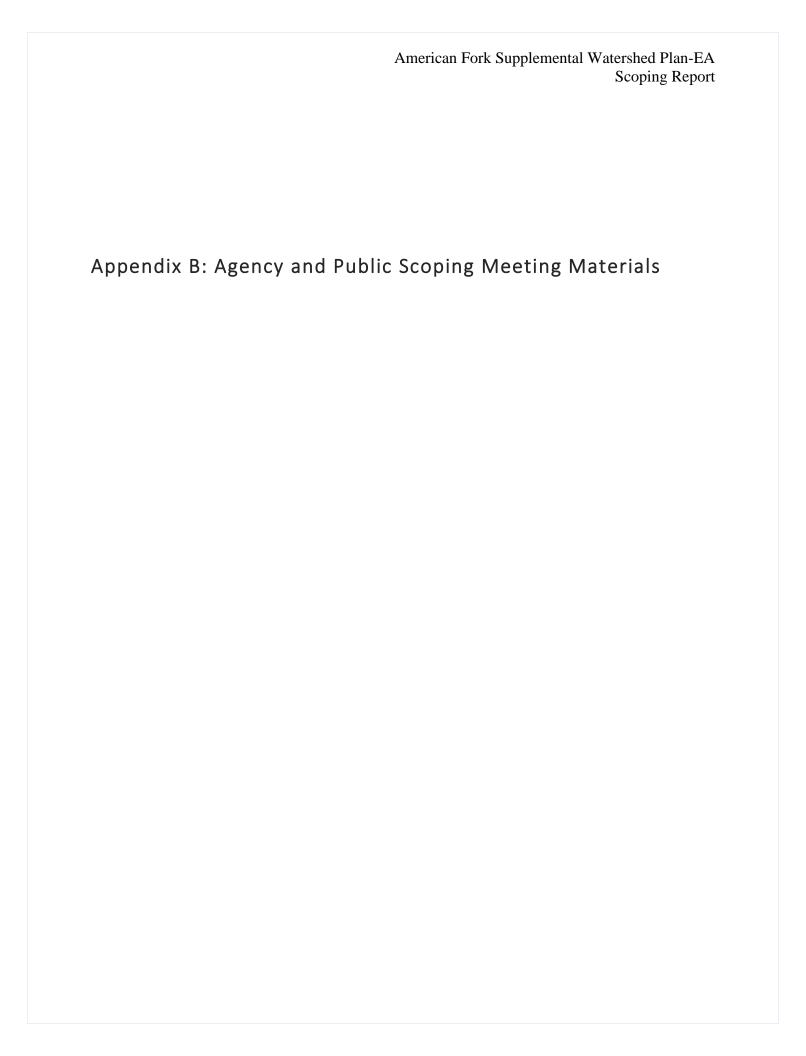
- 1. Prepare a list of interested agencies with assistance of the NRCS.
- 2. Determine if participation by potential National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) Cooperating Agencies is needed and if so, the required scope and extent of their participation.
- 3. Hold an Agency Scoping meeting to explain the issues and proposed project and request existing resource data about the watershed.
- 4. Contact local media representatives/newspapers to request their assistance informing the public, two weeks prior to any scheduled public meeting(s) and regarding availability of documents (see below). Two meetings are envisioned, one (1) for scoping purposes and one (1) for receiving comments on the Draft PLAN-EA. All public meetings will be live with virtual capability for ease of participation during COVID-19 pandemic.
  - a. Notices will be published in the non-legal section of the newspaper(s) with copies sent to parties on the mailing lists. The DPLAN-EA newspaper notice will include both the notice of availability of the Draft PLAN-EA and the schedule and meeting details for the Draft PLAN-EA public meeting(s). The Final PLAN-EA notice will notify the public of the availability of the Final PLAN-EA.
  - b. Notices will be drafted by the Contractor and submitted to the NRCS for approval prior to their release to the media. Draft news releases will be submitted in time to accommodate processing by the NRCS for publication in the news media (minimum 10 days prior to scheduled meetings or release of NEPA document).
  - c. A total of 4 news releases will be prepared by the Contractor: one (1) prior to the scoping meeting(s); one (1) concurrent with filing of the Draft PLAN-EA and prior to its public meeting(s); one (1) concurrent with filing the Final PLAN-EA; and one (1) concurrent with the completion of the Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

- 5. Prepare and update project website to disseminate information and collect public involvement information via a google form.
- 6. Provide opportunities to share information and obtain input from all project Sponsors.
- 7. Develop an email address list to facilitate electronic notification and updates as needed.
- 8. Mail scoping notice to adjacent property owners.

#### **SCHEDULE**

	Task	Notice Date  Newspaper: 14 & 7 days prior  Mailing: receive 2 weeks prior	Meeting Date
1	Agency Scoping Meeting	email meeting invite (Teams)	January 2021
2	Public Scoping Meeting	Notice in newspapers, city websites Postcards to adjacent landowners*	January 2021
3	Internal Alternatives Meeting	N/A	June 2021
4	Technical Review of Preliminary Plan-EA	N/A	May 2022
5	Draft PLAN-EA filing/Public Meeting (Notice of availability & date/location of meeting)		July 2022
6	Public Review and 45-day Public Comment Period		Ends August 2022
7	Final PLAN-EA (Notice of availability)		October 2022
8	FONSI completion		October 2022

<sup>\*</sup>Publish in non-legal section of newspaper(s) and mail to parties on mailing lists. Submit draft news releases to NRCS at least 7 days prior to scheduled news release or release of NEPA document.



# **Public Scoping Materials**

- 1.3.3.1 Click on the link below to access:
  - Public Scoping Notice
  - Public Scoping Meeting PowerPoint Presentation
  - Public Scoping Meeting Recording
- 1.3.3.2 Link: <a href="https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-watershed-plan-ea-public-meeting/">https://www.fransoncivil.com/american-fork-watershed-plan-ea-public-meeting/</a>

1.3.3.3

# Agency Scoping Meeting PowerPoint Presentation

1.3.3.4 Link: <a href="https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:1ab9fc73-8cb9-40c5-83e7-0dd618093bd6">https://documentcloud.adobe.com/link/track?uri=urn:aaid:scds:US:1ab9fc73-8cb9-40c5-83e7-0dd618093bd6</a>

# Agency Scoping Meeting Recording

1.3.3.5 Link: <a href="https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/a56058e4-0ef5-42b4-8b0a-51eb03a7c5cb">https://web.microsoftstream.com/video/a56058e4-0ef5-42b4-8b0a-51eb03a7c5cb</a>

# Agency Scoping Meeting Attendees

NAME	AGENCY & TITLE	CONTACT INFO					
Sponsor & Co-Sponsor							
Rebecca Andrus	American Fork, City Engineer	801-854-5982 randrus@americanfork.gov					
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Brad Kenison	Lehi City Engineering	801-836-1020 bkenison@lehi-ut.gov					
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Hollis Jencks	Corps of Engineers, Project Manager	hollis.g.jencks@usace.army.mil

	Invitatio Agency	n To:	Email Date	Mail	Responsible	Stakeholder	Contact Name	Email	Phone	Mailing Address	City	State	ZIP
	Mtg	Mtg		Date	Party					•			
Sponsor		Х	1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	American Fork City	David Bunker, City Administrator	dbunker@americanfork.gov	801-763-3000	51 E Main St.	American Fork	UT	84003
	Х	Х	1/6/2021	-	FCE	American Fork City	Rebecca Andrus, City Engineer	randrus@americanfork.gov					
		Х	1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Pleasant Grove City	Scott Darrington, City Administrator	sdarrington@pgcity.org		70 South 100 East	Pleasant Grove	UT	84062
Co-Sponsors	Х	Х	1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Pleasant Grove City	Marty Beaumont, Director of Public Works/City Engineer	mbeaumont@pgcity.org		70 South 100 East	Pleasant Grove	UT	84062
		Х	1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Lehi City	Jason Walker, City Administrator	jwalker@lehi-ut.gov	385-201-2274	153 North 100 East	Lehi	UT	84043
	Х	Х	1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Lehi City	Brad Kenison, Engineering	bkenison@lehi-ut.gov		154 North 100 East	Lehi	UT	84043
	Х		1/6/2021	1/13/21 (Gipson only)	NRCS	USACE	Jason Gipson, Branch Chief Hollis Jencks	jason.a.gipson@usace.army.mil Hollis.G.Jencks@usace.army.mil		533 West 2600 South #150	Bountiful	UT	84010-7744
	Х		1/6/2021	1/13/2021	NRCS	USFWS	Yvette Converse	Yvette_Converse@fws.gov	801-975-3330	2369 Orton Circle Suite 50	West Valley City	UT	84119
Cooperating	Х		1/6/2021	1/13/2021	NRCS	BLM	Jessica Wade, Field Manager	utslmail@blm.gov	801-539-4200	2370 S Decker Lake Blvd	West Valley City	UT	84119
Agency Letters	Х		1/6/2021	1/13/2021	NRCS	US EPA	NEPA Program Director			1595 Wynkoop Street	Denver	со	80202-1129
	Х			1/13/2021	NRCS	US Forest Service	Pleasant Grove Ranger District	Russ Hanson, District Ranger		390 N 100 E	Pleasant Grove	UT	84062
	Х		-	Did not send	NRCS	US Forest Service	Director			324 25th Street	Ogden	UT	84401
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	US Bureau of Reclamation	Peter Crookston, Environmental Group Chief/NEPA Compliance	pcrookston@usbr.gov	801-379-1152	125 South State Street Room 6107	Salt Lake City		84138-1102
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Drinking Water	Ying-Ying Macauley, Interim Director	ying@utah.gov	801-536-4200	PO Box 144830/ 195 North 1950 West	Salt Lake City		84114-4830
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Emergency Management	Kris Hamlet, Director/Judy Watanabe, Deputy Director	krishamlet@utah.gov	801-538-9553	PO Box 141775/1110 State Office Building	Salt Lake City		84114-1775
	Х												84114
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Forestry, Fire, and State Lands	Brian Cottam, Forestry, Fire and State Lands Director	briancottam@utah.gov	801-538-5504	PO Box 145703	Salt Lake City		
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Water Rights	Teresa Wilhelmsen, State Engineer	teresawilhelmsen@utah.gov		PO Box 146300	Salt Lake City		84114
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Water Resources	Todd Adams, Director  Keith Lawrence, Central Region Native Aquatics Project	toddadams@utah.gov	801-725-5201	PO Box 146201	Salt Lake City		84114-6201
	Х		-	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Division of Wildlife Resources	Lead	klawrence@utah.gov	801-960-5220	1115 North Main Street	Springville		84663
	X		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Agriculture	Logan Wilde, Commissioner	lbwilde@utah.gov	801-982-2201	PO Box 146500	Salt Lake City	UT	84114-2220
	X		-	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Environmental Health	Gary Edwards, Director			PO Box 142104	Salt Lake City	UT	84114-2104
			1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Environmental Quality	Scott Baird, Executive Director	scottbaird@utah.gov	801-536-0095	PO Box 144870	Salt Lake City	UT	84114-4879
	X		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Natural Resources	Tyler Thompson, Watershed Director	tylerthompson@utah.gov	801-538-4876	PO Box 145610 PO Box 141775/1110 State	Salt Lake City	UT	84114-5610
	Х		-	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Public Safety	Jess Anderson, Commissioner			Office Building	Salt Lake City	UT	84114
Government	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Department of Transportation, Region 3	Robert Clayton, Region 3 Director	robertclayton@utah.gov		658 North 1500 West	Orem	UT	84057
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah State Historic Preservation Office	Savanna Agardy	sagardy@utah.gov	801-245-7246	300 S Rio Grande St	Salt Lake City	UT	84101
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Natural Heritage Program	Sarah Lindsey	sarahlindsey@utah.gov	801-538-4759	PO Box 146301	Salt Lake City	UT	84114-6301
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Commission	Bill Lee, Commissioner	utahcnty@utahcounty.gov		100 East Center Street Suite 2300	Provo	UT	84605
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Community Development	Bryce Armstrong, Director	brycea@utahcounty.gov		51 South University Ave., Suite 117	Provo	UT	84601
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Engineering Department	Richard Nielsen	richardjn@utahcounty.gov	801-851-8600	100 East Center Street Suite 2300	Provo	UT	84606
	Х		-	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Environmental Health	Director	publicworks@utahcounty.gov (returned)		PO Box 142104	Salt Lake City	UT	84114
	Х		-	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Health Department	Bryce Larsen, Division Director	brycel@utahcounty.gov (returned)		151 South University Avenue	Provo	UT	84601
	Х			1/7/2021	FCE	Utah County Public Works	Richard Nielsen, Director	publicworks@utahcounty.gov (returned)		2855 South State Street	Provo	UT	
	х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	Utah Reclamation Mitigation & Conservation District	Mark Holden, Executive Director	urmcc@usbr.gov		230 South 500 East, Suite 230		UT	84102
	Х		1/6/2021	1/7/2021	FCE	RDCC Coordinator	Sindy Smith	sindysmith@utah.gov		P.O. Box 14114-1107	Salt Lake City		84114
		х	-	1/8/2021	FCE	U.S. Representative, 3rd District	John Curtis	info@johncurtis.org	801-922-5400	3549 North University Ave, Suite 275	Provo		84604
		х	-	1/8/2021	FCE	U.S. Representative, 4th District	Burgess Owens	mas spirinourus.org	202-225-3011	P.O. Box 993	Riverton		84065
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Other		х	-	1/8/2021	FCE	School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration	Dave Ure, Director			675 East 500 South, Suite 500	Salt Lake City	UT	84102
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		х	-			Skull Valley Band of Goshute Indians				HC61 Box 6104			
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		х	-	1/6/2021	NRCS	Confederated Tribes of the Goshute Reservation	Clell Pete, Environmental Protection Department			195 Tribal Center Road	Ibapah		84034
		Х	-	1/6/2021	NRCS	Ute Indian Tribe of the Uintah & Ouray Reservation	Luke Duncan, Chairman  Betsy Chapoose, Director Cultural Rights Protection			P.O. Box 190	Fort Duchesne	UT	84026
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American Fork River Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA

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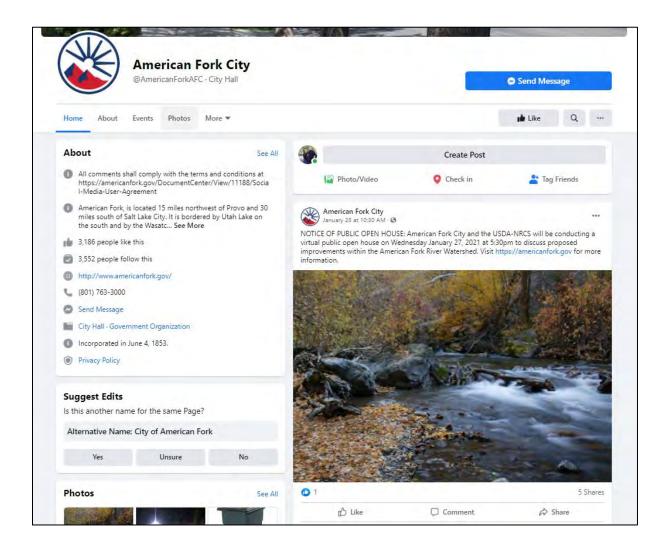
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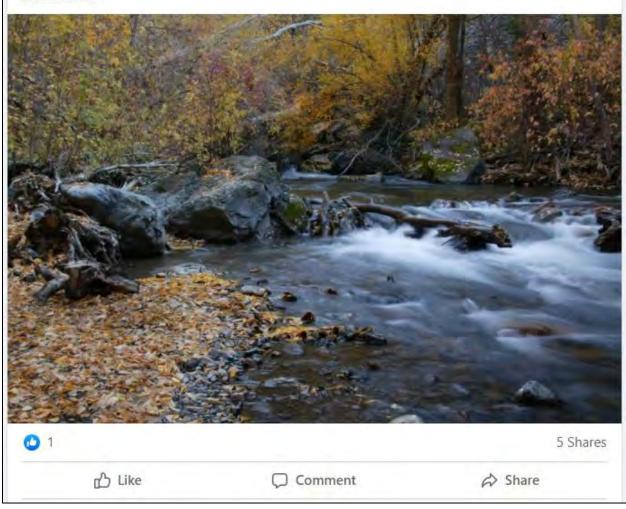
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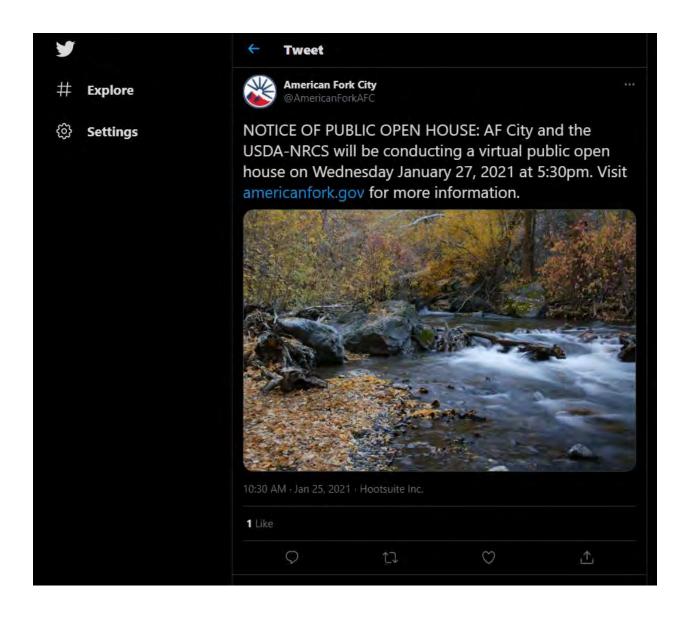




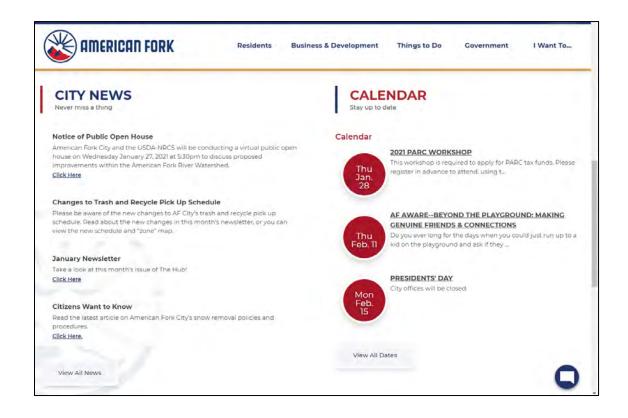
NOTICE OF PUBLIC OPEN HOUSE: American Fork City and the USDA-NRCS will be conducting a virtual public open house on Wednesday January 27, 2021 at 5:30pm to discuss proposed improvements within the American Fork River Watershed. Visit <a href="https://americanfork.gov">https://americanfork.gov</a> for more information.

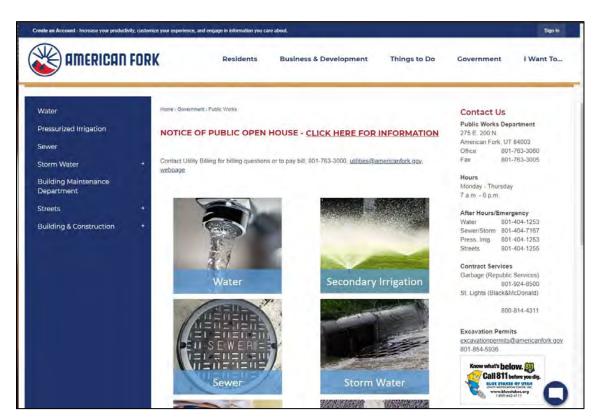


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# **Public Scoping Materials**

Click on the link below to access:

- Public Scoping Notice
- Public Scoping Meeting PowerPoint Presentation
- Public Scoping Meeting Recording

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# Agency Scoping Meeting Recording

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# Agency Scoping Meeting Attendees

NAME	AGENCY & TITLE	CONTACT INFO		
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Aaron Wilson	Pleasant Grove City	awilson@pgcity.org		
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Brad Kenison	Lehi City Engineering	801-836-1020 bkenison@lehi-ut.gov		
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Monique Robbins	Franson Civil Engineers, NEPA Specialist	801-756-0309 mrobbins@fransoncivil.com		

# American Fork Supplemental Watershed Plan-EA Scoping Report

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Glen Tanner	Utah County Public Works	
Michael Mills	Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission	801-524-3166 mmills@bor.gov
Hollis Jencks	Corps of Engineers, Project Manager	hollis.g.jencks@usace.army.mil

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Appendix C: Public Comments	

#### **Monique Robbins**

From: Keith Lawrence <klawrence@utah.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 11, 2021 5:22 PM

**To:** Monique Robbins

**Cc:** Dale Fonken; Chris Crockett

**Subject:** American Fork River Supplemental Watershed Plan EA

Dear Mr. Peirce:

The Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) is one of the partners in the June Sucker Recovery Implementation Program (JSRIP). Through implantation of passive integrated transponder (PIT) tags in June suckers during past years, we have noted that these fish use the American Fork River in substantial numbers (i.e., hundreds) to spawn when sufficient flow is present.

Although your proposed modifications (<a href="https://americanfork.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12914/AF-Public-Scoping-Notice-182021?bidld=">https://americanfork.gov/DocumentCenter/View/12914/AF-Public-Scoping-Notice-182021?bidld=</a>) to the river channel occur several miles upstream of Utah Lake, we are not certain how far up the river these fish are able to move when such conditions exist. Our intent is to place a portable antenna further up the river channel in 2021 to better gauge this movement. However, again, insufficient flows (which we expect this year due to below average snowpack) will likely limit their movement up the channel.

It is not clear to what degree existing and extensive channel modifications such as culverts and diversions already limit their upstream progression even when suitable flow conditions exist, although that is something which warrants evaluation under the circumstances. Therefore, until that is better understood, it is likewise not clear whether your project could further affect upstream movement of these fish and the habitat that may still be available to them.

If you could provide more information on the nature of the river channel modifications that already occur downstream of your project which may impede movement of suckers, and where these occur, that will greatly assist us in determining the potential for the proposed project to have any further impacts to June suckers.

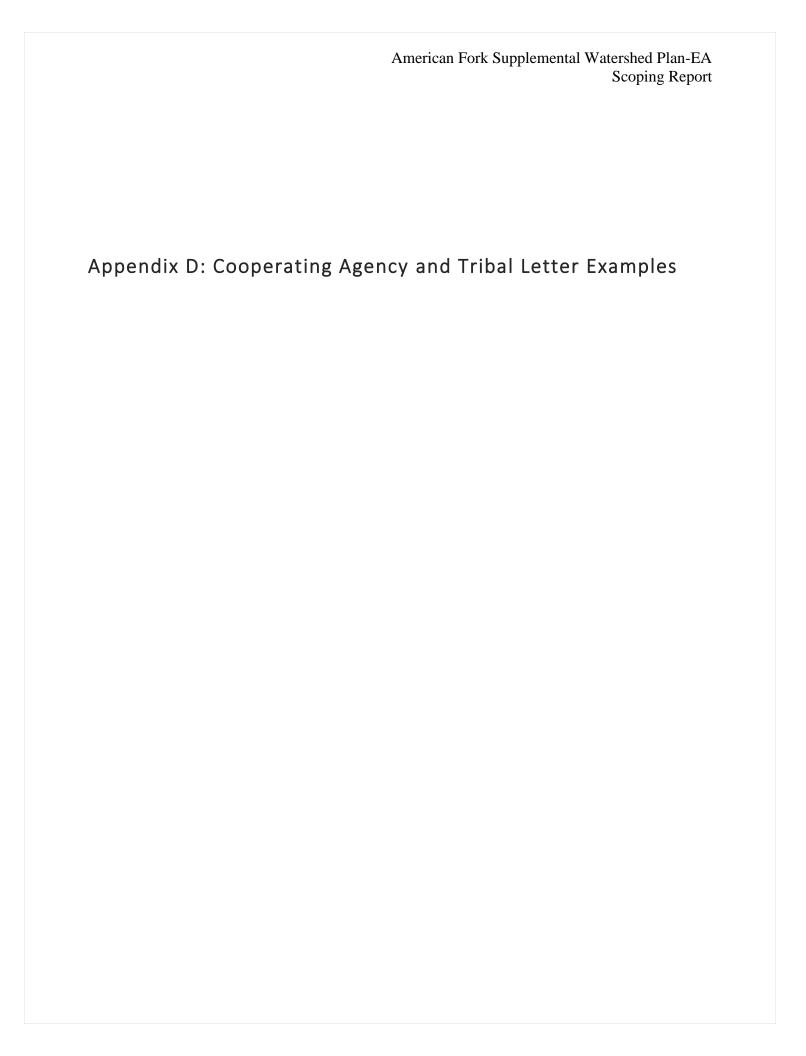
We very much appreciate the opportunity to elaborate on these concerns regarding proposed activities in the American Fork River for your project and look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

#### Keith Lawrence

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Keith Lawrence
Central Region Native Aquatics Project Lead
Utah Division of Wildlife Resources
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(801) 960-5220 cell
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#### **United States Department of Agriculture**

January 13, 2021

Natural Resources Conservation Service

**Utah State Office** 

125 South State Street Room 4010 Salt Lake City, UT 84138

Ph: 801-524-4550 Fax: 844-715-4928 www.ut.nrcs.usda.gov RE: Formal request to be a Cooperating Agency in the development of the American Fork River Watershed Plan-Environmental Assessment (Plan-EA) for proposed improvements to the American Fork River Watershed, Utah County, Utah.

Dear	
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In accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality regulations implementing the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) at 40 CFR Part 1501.8, the Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) is formally requesting that the Bureau of Land Management become a cooperating agency in the planning and development of the American Fork River Watershed Plan. The enclosed agency scoping notice includes project information and details on an **agency scoping meeting scheduled for January 21, 2021 at 2 pm**.

This request is made since your agency is identified as having special expertise or jurisdiction by law related to this project. The Plan-EA is being prepared to fulfill our NEPA compliance responsibilities pertaining to our federal financial assistance through the Watershed Protection and Flood Prevention Program as authorized through Public Law 83-566. Upon acceptance of this invitation, roles can be defined in an informal agreement or a memorandum of understanding. If your agency is unable to participate as a cooperating agency, please return a written explanation indicating that your agency cannot participate.

Please send notification confirming your decision to: Emily Fife, State Conservationist, NRCS, Wallace F Bennett Federal Building, 125 South State Street, Room 4010, Salt Lake City, Utah 84138-1100.

Thank you for your timely response and assistance with these efforts. If you have any questions, please contact Derek Hamilton, Water Resources Coordinator, at derek.hamilton@usda.gov or 801/524-4560.

Sincerely,

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Asst. State Conservationist - Water Resources

Enclosure

cc

Chet Fitzgerald, Area Conservationist, NRCS, Ogden, UT Dave Hansen, District Conservationist, NRCS, Provo, UT Derek Hamilton, Water Resources Coordinator, NRCS, Salt Lake City, UT



January 6, 2021

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The main objective of the project is to implement flood reduction and prevention solutions in specific locations within the three sponsor cities that will protect public safety on public roadways, private property, and agricultural areas. The proposed improvements include design and construction of concrete box culverts and restore channels to increase capacity and improve channel operations.

In cooperation with the sponsors, NRCS is in the very early planning stages of preparing a Supplemental Watershed Plan and an Environmental Assessment (Plan-EA) under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) to consider and analyze potential impacts from the action. For the purposes of compliance with NEPA and Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act (NHPA), the NRCS is the designated lead agency. Pursuant to Section 106 of the NHPA, Executive Order 13007, the American Indian Religious Freedom Act, we write to you at this time regarding the project and we welcome any information you would like to share with us regarding historic properties or places of traditional religious and cultural importance near the proposed project area that we should consider as part of our analysis. We would also appreciate your assistance in identifying any other Tribes with whom we should consult on this project.

We are inviting agency, organization, Tribal, and public input on the project during the scoping phase. Participation is a vital component of the project providing those who are interested in or potentially affected by the proposed project an opportunity to share their comments, ideas, and concerns regarding actions during the initial scoping stage of the NEPA process. You are encouraged to attend the public scoping meeting where the project will be presented, and the attendees will have the opportunity to ask questions, express ideas and concerns.

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Date: Wednesday, January 27, 2021

**Time:** 5:30 p.m.

Zoom: https://zoom.us/join Meeting ID: 875 7280 8173 Passcode: 309343

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We look forward to hearing from and working with you on this important project. We welcome your call if you have questions on the proposed project or if you wish to arrange a meeting or initiate government-to-government consultation regarding this project.

If you have any questions, comments, or concerns please contact Shelley A. Szeghi, North Area Cultural Resources Specialist, at 801-597-4552 or email at <a href="mailto:Shelley.Szeghi@usda.gov">Shelley.Szeghi@usda.gov</a>. We look forward to receiving your comments and discussing this project further.

Sincerely,

EMILY FIFE State Conservationist

cc:

Chet Fitzgerald, NRCS, Assistant State Conservationist for Field Operations, Ogden, UT Leslie Warta, NRCS, NEPA Specialist, Salt Lake City, Utah Shelley Szeghi, NRCS, North Area Cultural Resources Specialist, Ogden, UT Norm Evenstad, NRCS, ASTC – Water Resources, Salt Lake City, UT Derek Hamilton, NRCS, Water Resources Coordinator, Salt Lake City, UT Lane Peirce, Franson Civil Engineers, American Fork, UT