

Dear Reader,

April 2015

Attached is the Final Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Provo River Delta Restoration Project (PRDRP). The proposed project would restore a naturally functioning river-lake interface essential for recruitment of June sucker (*Chasmistes liorus*), an endangered fish species that exists naturally only in Utah Lake and its tributaries. In addition to fulfilling environmental commitments associated with water development projects in Utah and contributing to recovery of an endangered species, the project is intended to help improve water quality on the lower Provo River and to provide enhancements for public recreation in Utah County. Alternative B has been identified as the preferred alternative because it would minimize the amount of private lands that would need to be acquired for the project while still providing adequate space for a naturally functioning river delta and sufficient habitat enhancement for achieving the need for the project.

The agencies preparing the Final EIS are the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission (Mitigation Commission), the Central Utah Water Conservancy District, and the Central Utah Project Completion Act (CUPCA) Office of the U.S. Department of the Interior, collectively referred to as the Joint Lead Agencies.

The Final EIS, Executive Summary and Technical Reports can be viewed or downloaded from the project website www.ProvoRiverDelta.us or by requesting a copy on CD. Paper copies are available for public review at the Provo City Library, Salt Lake City Main Public Library or any of the Joint Lead Agency offices. After a period of not less than 30-days from the date of publication of the Notice of Availability of the Final EIS in the *Federal Register*, anticipated to be approximately April 10, 2015, the authorizing officials for the CUPCA Office and the Mitigation Commission may respectively issue a Record of Decision (ROD) as to which alternative to implement, if any. The ROD(s) or hyperlink to the document(s) will be mailed to our entire mailing list. The ROD(s) will also be made available on the project website.

On behalf of the Joint Lead Agencies, I thank you for your interest in the project.

Sincerely,



Michael C. Weland
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