



Eric Millis, Director
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November 7, 2016

Dear Mr. Millis:

I am writing to submit the following records request on behalf of the Utah Rivers Council. It is not our intention to impose an unnecessary administrative burden on your agency. We believe this request serves the greater public interest by providing transparency regarding the Division of Water Resources' use of public water data, especially considering that after the 2016 Legislature you and your agency will receive additional sales tax revenues and oversee billions in taxpayer spending for multi-billion dollar water projects that your agency is proposing, because you claim we are running out of water.

Therefore, in accordance with the Government Records and Management Act ("GRAMA"), U.C.A. 63-2-204 et seq., I hereby request that you and any other custodian of public records provide all 2015 water use data submitted to the Division of Water Resources' by public water suppliers in Utah. We simply seek to see the data that was sent to the Division, which has been referenced widely by you, your staff and the Director of the Department of Natural Resources. According to a November 7, 2016 letter from you to the Legislative Management Committee, your agency has completed processing the 2015 municipal and industrial water supply and use numbers you received. Please also include the Division's processed 2015 water use numbers from public water suppliers.

The terms "custodian," "public records," "writings," and "correspondence" are used in this letter as they are defined in the Act. In the event that you or the official custodian of the requested records determines that a particular piece of data or document is not a public record or that inspection and copying need not or may not be allowed under the terms of the GRAMA, please identify the specific data item or document at issue and state in writing the grounds for the decision to deny access for inspection and copying.

Please provide your response within ten business days after receipt of the request or five days if you determine that the request falls within the expedited public interest timeframe pursuant to U.C.A. § 63-204(3)(a). In the event that the custodian finds that the agency does not maintain the particular record please notify us where it may be located as provided by U.C.A. § 63-2-204(3)(a)(i-iii).

I would be happy to provide any clarification that may be necessary to enable you to provide an accurate and timely response to this very important request.

Please give me a call if you would like to discuss any aspect of this letter.

Sincerely,

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