

Water As Part of a General Plan



Integrating water considerations into land planning presents a significant opportunity to reduce municipal and industrial water use.

SB 110, passed in 2022, requires most municipalities* (*Utah Code 10-9a-403*) and all counties (*Utah Code 17-27a-401*) to develop a water use and preservation element that is integrated with the land use planning and development. The municipal or county legislative body shall adopt and implement this new integrated water and land use element by **December 31, 2025**.



Water Use & Preservation Element

The water use and preservation element should include the following:

- Effect of permitted development on water demand and infrastructure.
- Methods for reducing water demand and per capita consumption for future development.
- Methods for reducing water demand and per capita consumption for existing development.
- Opportunities to modify operations to eliminate or reduce conditions that waste water.



The New General Plan

The planning commission will prepare recommendations for a new general plan or a comprehensive general plan amendment. Plans will evaluate water use and water demand for current and future development projects rather than assume there will be adequate water supply. Considerations may include:



Sustainable Landscaping



Pond Removal or Reduction



Water Budget



Incentive Programs



Water Concurrency Standards



We Are Here to Help

The Division of Water Resources is tasked with helping and supporting local government to adopt this water use and preservation element.

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*If you are unsure whether your municipality should be updating their general plan to include this new water use and conservation element consult the following page or contact us.



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We have identified the following municipalities as needing to introduce an integrated water and land use element into their General Plan:

Alpine	Layton	Santaquin
American Fork	Lehi	Saratoga Springs
Bluffdale	Lindon	Smithfield
Bountiful	Logan	South Jordan
Brigham City	Magna	South Ogden
Cedar City	Mapleton	South Salt Lake
Cedar Hills	Midvale	Spanish Fork
Centerville	Millcreek	Springville
Clearfield	Murray	St. George
Clinton	North Logan	Syracuse
Cottonwood Heights	North Ogden	Taylorsville
Draper	North Salt Lake	Tooele
Eagle Mountain	Ogden	Tremonton
Farmington	Orem	Vernal
Grantsville	Payson	Vineyard
Heber City	Pleasant Grove	Washington
Herriman	Pleasant View	West Haven
Highland	Provo	West Jordan
Holladay	Riverton	West Point
Hurricane	Roy	West Valley City
Kaysville	Salt Lake City	Woods Cross
Kearns	Sandy	

We have also identified a number of municipalities that may want to consider adding an integrated water and land use element to their General Plan as they will be nearing a population of 10,000 by 2025:

Hooper	Providence
Hyrum	Richfield
Ivins	Riverdale
Park City	Salem
Price	Washington Terrace

Note: Population projections are based on data submitted to Water Rights as well as on data collected by the Census Bureau and may or may not reflect the actual population in a given city. If you are a municipality who thinks you might have over 10,000 residents or feel that an integrated water & land use element will be of benefit to your community please take action and reach out to the Division of Water Resources with any questions you might have.

