



FROM THE FIELD

*Utah residents' quality of life relies on the active management and protection of diverse natural resources. The **From the Field** newsletter by the Department of Natural Resources provides a snapshot of current department initiatives, developments and trends impacting Utah.*

Utah Wildlife Board approves 2025 big game hunting permits, other rule updates



The Utah Wildlife Board approved the big game hunting permit numbers for 2025, as well as a few other changes to big game hunting rules in Utah, during its public meeting recently.

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Icelandic delegation explores Utah's geothermal frontier



Utah sees big opportunity in working with Iceland, a world leader in geothermal innovation. Though Utah ranks third in U.S. geothermal capacity, it produces just 73 megawatts — only a tiny part of its estimated 49 gigawatts of potential. Tapping this resource can drive business and innovation.

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Division of Water Resources hosts waterwise webinars



The Division of Water Resources is kicking off a new virtual monthly meetup packed with tips for planning, creating and maintaining water-efficient landscapes. It's a great opportunity to sharpen your skills and share best practices with friends, family and neighbors!

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Empowering Utah's energy future: OED begins nuclear education campaign



The Utah Office of Energy Development has undertaken a nuclear education campaign to inform and engage the public on the benefits, and risks, of nuclear energy. Still in its early stages, the campaign is already providing [subject matter expert videos](#) and easy-to-read [fact sheets](#). As Utah thoughtfully explores adding nuclear energy to its already diverse resource mix, it is important to showcase modern nuclear technologies and how nuclear can support our goals of energy independence, environmental stewardship and reliable and affordable energy for our economies and citizens.

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Team Rubicon: Veteran-led crew serves Moab with wildfire mitigation project



The Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands partnered with Team Rubicon, Rim to Rim Restoration and the BLM to conduct fuel mitigation work along the creek corridors within the town of Moab.

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Prepared for the field: Water Rights employees wilderness first aid certified



For employees whose work takes them into the field, ensuring safety is paramount. Recognizing this critical need, the Division of Water Rights actively encouraged and facilitated wilderness first aid training for more than 60 field personnel. The division

held three, two-day employee training sessions taught by AdventureMed.

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Record \$6.6 million raised for habitat restoration, wildlife projects through conservation permits



Dozens of projects benefiting wildlife — including wildlife research, conservation and habitat restoration projects — have been funded after a record \$6.6 million was committed to the projects by participating conservation groups during the annual conservation

permit project funding meeting.

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Utahraptor State Park hosts cultural sneak peek



Park officials hosted a cultural sneak peek of Utahaptor State Park. While the park hosts access to premier outdoor recreation areas and paleontological resources, it is also home to the Moab Citizen Isolation Center (a WW2-era

Japanese-American Prison Camp) and the Moab CCC camp. Those in attendance included area officials, subject matter experts and even some descendants of those who were housed at the two camps — some visiting all the way from Japan.

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Alta Hotshots train for fire season in Spanish Fork Canyon



ABC4 joined the Alta Hotshots from the Utah Division of Forestry, Fire and State Lands to talk about the upcoming season and the training they do to get ready.

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