



Lower Bear River Watershed Project

Notice of Intent



Project Information

The U.S. Department of Agriculture's Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), with the Bear River Water Conservation District and Bear River Canal Company as project Sponsors, announces its intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the Lower Bear River Watershed Project located in Box Elder County, Utah. The proposed Lower Bear River Watershed Plan will examine alternative solutions to address agricultural water management, prevent flooding, protect the watershed, and enhance recreational opportunities in Tremonton, Elwood, Bear River City, Garland, and portions of unincorporated Box Elder County.

NRCS is requesting comments to identify significant issues, potential alternatives, information, and analyses relevant to the proposed action from all interested individuals, Federal and State agencies, and Tribes.

NRCS began the environmental process in fall 2023 and held a public scoping meeting in November 2023. With the Notice of Intent (NOI), NRCS is now seeking further public comment to help determine the range of actions, alternatives, and impacts to be evaluated and included in the EIS.

The map to the right shows currently proposed design alternatives. Additional descriptions of these alternatives are available on the project webpage: www.bit.ly/LowerBearRiverWatershed

More Information

Contact the project team at **435-239-3467** or lowerbear@utwatershed.com for more information.

PROPOSED SOLUTIONS

BEAR RIVER CANAL COMPANY (BRCC)

- 1. Canyon Canal Improvements
- 2. Canal Lateral Piping

BEAR RIVER CLUB COMPANY

- 3. Bear River Levee Improvement
- 4. Malad River Spillway Improvement

BEAR RIVER WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

- 5. Bothwell Pocket Flood Control Reservoir Construction

CHESAPEAKE HUNTING CLUB (CHC)

- 6. Bear River Bank Stabilization

ELWOOD CITY

- 7. Secondary Water Systems

HIGHLAND DITCH COMPANY

- 8. Highland Ditch Piping

SALT CREEK WATERFOWL MANAGEMENT AREA (WMA)

- 9. Salt Creek Settlement Basin, Dike, and Additional Structures Construction

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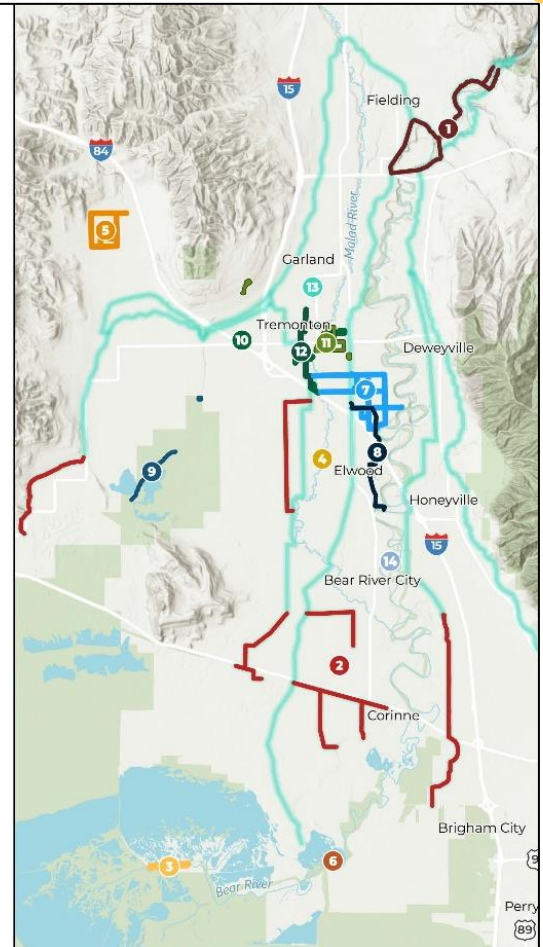
- 10. Flood Control Projects
- 11. Secondary Water Systems
- 12. Recreation Trail

GARLAND

- 13. Secondary Water Systems

BEAR RIVER CITY

- 14. Secondary Water Systems



How to Submit a Comment

Written or emailed comments can be submitted through July 14, 2024 and should be directed to:

Mail: Lower Bear River Watershed Plan-EIS
c/o The Langdon Group
466 N. 900 W.
Kaysville, UT 84037

Email: lowerbear@utwatershed.com

Please note that all comments received previously following the scoping meeting in November 2023 will be included and do not need to be resubmitted. The full NOI, scoping meeting materials, and additional background information and maps can be reviewed at: <https://bit.ly/LowerBearRiverWatershed>.

Following the public comment period, the environmental process will continue to move forward with development of alternatives and the alternative analysis required for the EIS. The Draft EIS is anticipated to be available by early 2026, which will include another public comment period.

