

## UTAH

### **How Does Utah Define Environmental Justice and Environmental Justice Communities?**

#### Environmental Justice Definitions:

N/A.

#### Environmental Justice Mapping Tools:

EPA's [EJSCREEN](#) tool may be used to assess parts of Utah in regards to environmental justice.

### **How Does Utah Consider Environmental Justice in its Substantive Actions<sup>1</sup>?**

#### Environmental Justice as a Policy of the Environmental Agency or Across All Agencies:

N/A.

#### Consideration of Environmental Justice in Permitting:

N/A.

#### Consideration of Environmental Justice in Enforcement:

N/A.

#### Consideration of Environmental Justice in Land Use:

N/A.

#### State Environmental Policy Act "Mini-NEPA":

N/A.

#### Dedicated Funding to Environmental Justice Communities:

N/A.

#### Consideration of Cumulative Impacts:

N/A.

#### Prohibitions on Disparate Impact Discrimination:

N/A.

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<sup>1</sup> Substantive is defined as governing the original rights and obligations of individuals. Cornell L. Sch., LII, *Wex Legal Encyclopedia*, [https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/substantive\\_law](https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/substantive_law) (last visited July 5, 2022).

Established Environmental Rights:

N/A.

**How Does Utah Address Environmental Justice in its Procedures<sup>2</sup>?**

Environmental Justice as Part of Environmental Agency's Mission:

N/A.

Environmental Justice as Part of Other Agency's Mission:

N/A.

Processes and Procedures (including Title VI):

- Non-Discrimination Policy:

N/A.

- Grievance Procedures:

Utah Transit Authority [complaints](#) form.

- Enhanced Public Participation and Information Access:

N/A.

- Language Access:

UDEQ links to a general Utah government page which offers “toolbar buttons” that utilize Google’s machine translation software to provide a translated version of any website.<sup>3</sup> This version features 35 languages. Notably, Navajo is not included, even though it is the fifth most spoken language in Utah.

- Consultation with Indigenous Communities and Tribal Nations:

N/A.

Governmental Environmental Justice Structures, Positions, and Funding Streams:

- Environmental Justice Coordinating Agency:

N/A.

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<sup>2</sup> Procedural is defined as rules and the methods used to ensure the rights of individuals. Cornell L. Sch., LII, *Wex Legal Encyclopedia*, [https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/procedural\\_law](https://www.law.cornell.edu/wex/procedural_law) (last visited July 5, 2022).

<sup>3</sup> Utah, *Translate*, <https://www.utah.gov/support/translate.html> (last visited July 5, 2022).

- Environmental Justice Coordinator:

N/A.

- Environmental Justice Advisory Board:

N/A.

- Funding for Environmental Justice:

N/A.

### **Additional Utah Environmental Justice Provisions?**

*Utah's Children and The Environment:* In partnership with EPA, Utah Department of Health engaged in a survey of many different sources of pollution throughout the state of Utah with an aim towards protecting the children of Utah.<sup>4</sup> In the process, it produced geographic and demographic data about drinking water contamination, pesticide use, ozone and particulate matter air pollution, and radon levels.<sup>5</sup>

*EPA Performance Partnership Agreement:* As part of Department of Environmental Quality (UDEQ)'s Performance Partnership Agreement (PPA) with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) for Fiscal Year 2021, UDEQ agreed to "conduct all of [its] base regulatory programs within the framework and spirit of environmental justice."<sup>6</sup> Under the PPA, EPA has offered to provide environmental justice training to UDEQ personnel.<sup>7</sup>

### **Utah Environmental Justice Contacts?**

N/A.

### **Where to Find Utah Environmental Justice Laws, Policies, and Tools?**

#### Constitutional Provisions:

N/A.

#### Executive Orders:

N/A.

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<sup>4</sup> UDOH, Utah's Children and The Environment: A Health Status Update at p.3, *available at* [http://health.utah.gov/enviroepi/healthyhomes/epht/Children\\_Environment\\_UEPHTN.pdf#:~:text=Utah%E2%80%99s%20Children%20And%20The%20Environment%3A%20A%20Health%20Status.environmental%20factors%20of%20the%20health%20of%20Utah%E2%80%99s%20children](http://health.utah.gov/enviroepi/healthyhomes/epht/Children_Environment_UEPHTN.pdf#:~:text=Utah%E2%80%99s%20Children%20And%20The%20Environment%3A%20A%20Health%20Status.environmental%20factors%20of%20the%20health%20of%20Utah%E2%80%99s%20children).

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at 5.

<sup>6</sup> UDEQ & EPA Region VII, UDEQ Performance Partnership Agreement FY 2021 at p.6, *available at* <https://documents.deq.utah.gov/admin/performance-partnership-agreement/fy2021-ppa.pdf>.

<sup>7</sup> *Id.* at 7.

Legislation and Statutes:

N/A.

Regulations:

N/A.

Policies/Guidance:

N/A.

Mapping Tools:

N/A.

Other:

N/A.