
Environmental Justice in Utah

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**ENVIRONMENTAL
QUALITY**



Mission

Safeguard and improve Utah's air, land, and water through balanced regulation.



**DRINKING
WATER**



**WATER
QUALITY**



**AIR
QUALITY**



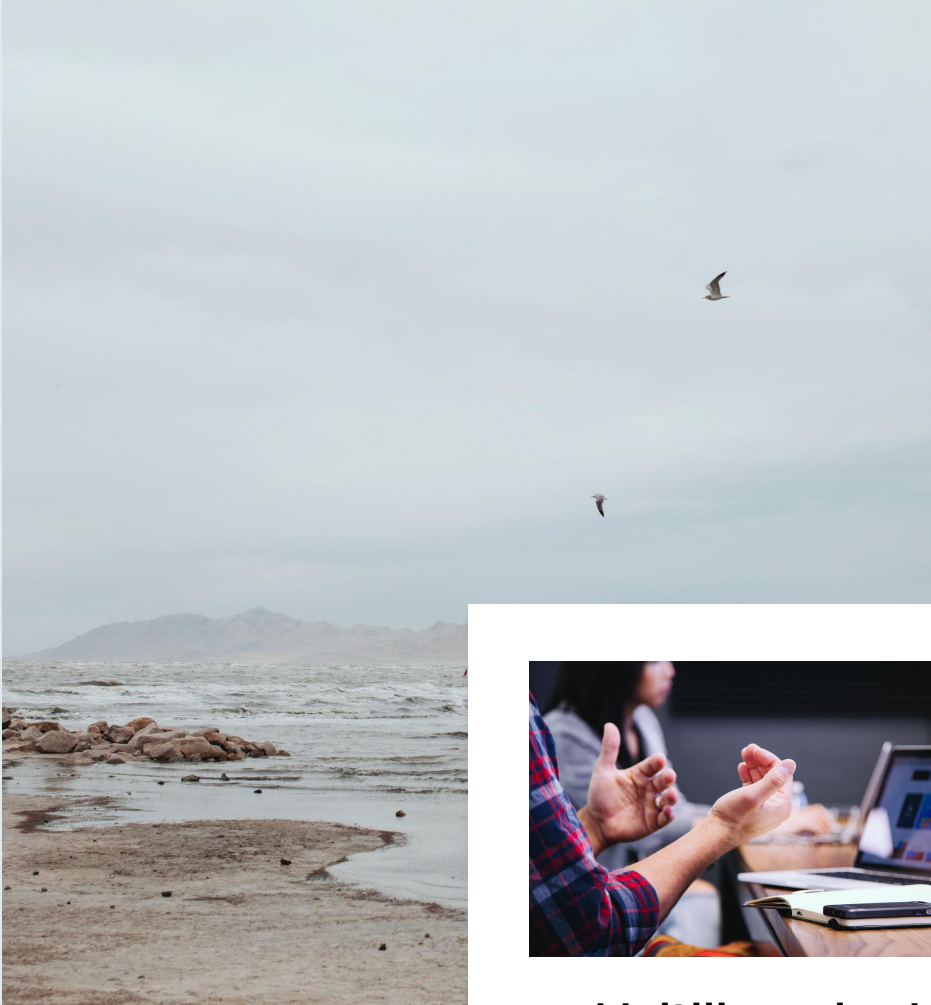
**WASTE MANAGEMENT
& RADIATION CONTROL**



**ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE
& REMEDIATION**

Environmental Justice Committee

Environmental justice lens on every policy, permit, inspection and regulatory action.



Multilingual public involvement toolkit

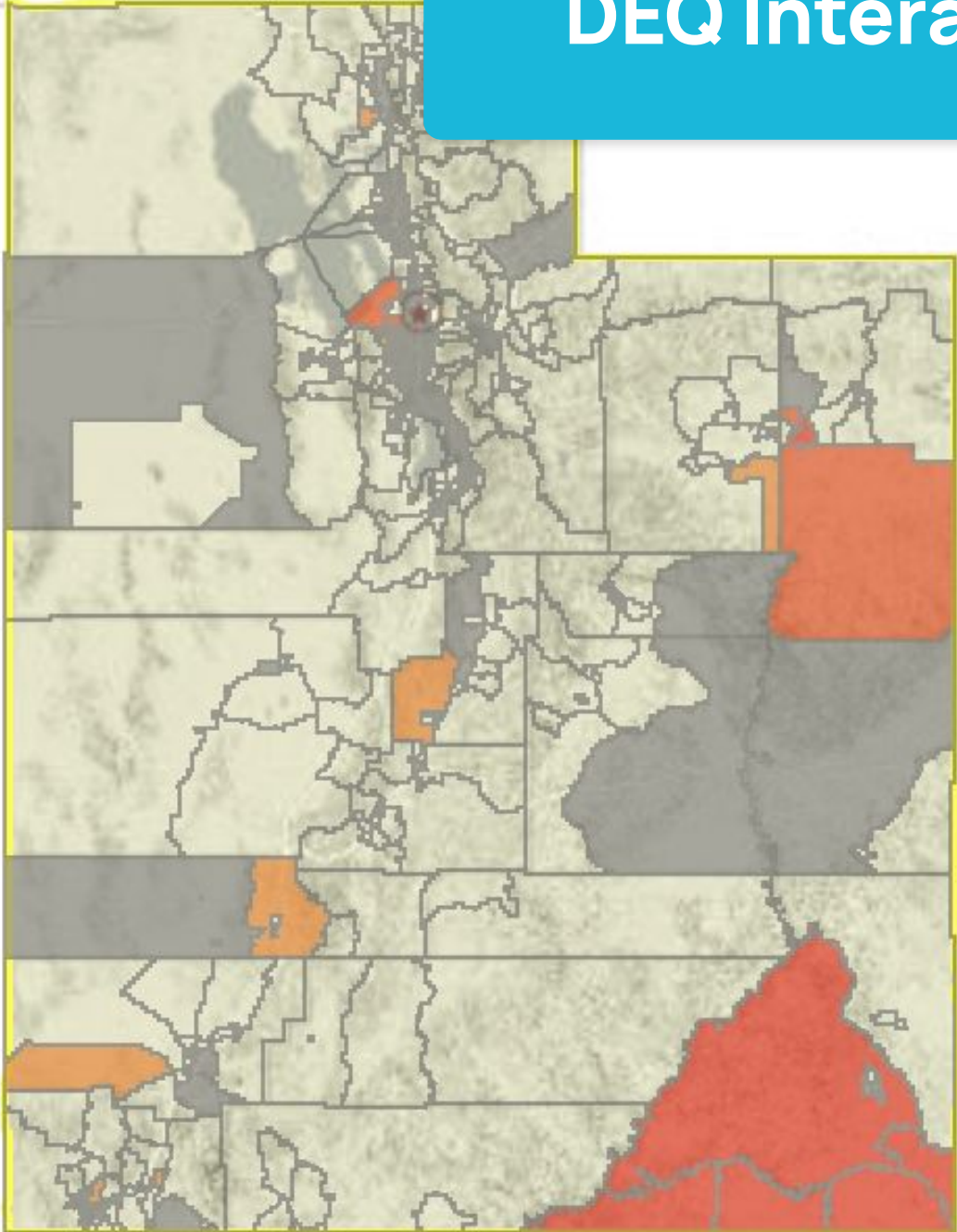


Partnerships with stakeholders and impacted communities



Improved Utah-specific EJ screening tool

DEQ Interactive Map - EJ Layers



Find it at [DEQ.utah.gov](https://deq.utah.gov)

- Added EJScreen layers to our interactive map
- Symbolized by percentile relative to the rest of the state of Utah



Elected Executive and Legislative Partnerships

Shared Goals

State Senate and House District

Local Public Health Departments

City Mayors and Councils

Without direct grant funding
added EJ workload
competes with regulatory
obligations

Current and Future EJ efforts

- DEQ Interactive Map - EJ layers
- Online public meetings and outreach
- Air quality incentive programs
- Ethylene Oxide Study
- Jacobs Smelter Superfund cleanup
- Lead-paint program
- Clean Diesel program outreach
- Lead-Free Schools Initiative
- Lead Service Line Replacement
- Wastewater drinking water and electrification



Thank you!



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