

Weber Hydroelectric Project
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Comments on Preliminary Draft Technical Reports
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Study Plan	Commenter (initials/ agency)	Page #/Title	Comment	Resolution
Terrestrial TES Species and Noxious Weeds	BJ/UDWR	N/A	Approval/acceptance of the technical report. Additionally noted that: “smooth greensnake did not rank as a Species of Greatest Conservation Need in our [UDWR’s] new and improved, more scientifically rigorous <i>Utah Wildlife Action Plan</i> , which supplants the 2005 edition. The link to that newly finalized WAP is http://wildlife.utah.gov/wap/Utah_WAP.pdf .”	N/A
	KL/UDWQ	N/A	No comments	N/A
	RS/WRWUA	Appendix A, Figures A1 & A3	The maps, Figures A1 & A3, notes our diversion, but calls it out as a dam too. “Davis-Weber Canal Diversion” may be the best description for both documents.	Figures revised to rename diversion.
	QE/FERC	N/A	The FERC team assigned to the Weber project has no comments.	N/A
<p>In addition to the revisions noted above, the following updated information on 2016 surveys for the special status plant Ute ladies’-tresses was added to the Results section (p. 5):</p> <p><i><u>The USFWS requested that sSurveys for this species will be repeated during the appropriate survey window in 2016 and 2017. The USFWS announced that the survey window was open on July 29, 2016. SWCA conducted a second survey for Ute ladies’ –tresses in areas of suitable habitat on August 10, 2016 during the survey window. at the request of the USFWS. No Ute ladies’-tresses individuals were observed during the survey. surveys The 2017 survey will be reported to the USFWS for informational purposes, and the biological assessment (BA) and draft license application will be modified, if necessary, based on this additional future information.</u></i></p> <p>Correlative changes were made to the Recommendations section (p.7).</p>				
Cultural Resources	BJ/UDWR	N/A	No comment	N/A
	KL/UDWQ	N/A	No comment	N/A
	RS/WRWUA	Figure 1 & Table 1	On the map, Figure 1, I’m not sure if we want to call our canal diversion a dam. Maybe just note the D&W Canal Diversion instead. In Table 1, there is reference of previous projects, and one is entitled “D Well Canal Improvements,” I assume that should be “D&W Canal Improvements.”	Figure 1 and Table 1 have been revised as noted.