

**March 20, 2019 Status Report to the Utah Board of Water Resources**

**on CSU’s 5 Water Questions**

**History of the 5 Questions and the Request for Help**

* We boiled-down our unanswered questions over the years to 5 key ones
* And then we asked some of our county commissions and mayors if they thought our questions were reasonable and important (they said yes), and if they knew the answers (they said no).
* 2 years ago, we asked you (the board) for suggestions on how to get the answers
* You identified Josh Palmer and Dave Clark as focal points to get the answers.

**Current Condition**: We’re stuck – can’t find the answers

**The Question:** Do you have any advice?

*The Board agreed to discuss the question and get back to us, no date given*

**Summary of the questions and their status:**

1. How is the public to be involved in the final LPP decision?

Haven’t discussed it – ok for now

1. What is driving the LPP development timing?

Not much discussion – we hear that it’s driven by the need and by the desire to access the state’s full allocation while we can (questions 4 and 5 come into play)

1. What can Washington County residents afford to pay for water?

Haven’t discussed it – perhaps the EWFB will get into this

1. How secure is the LPP water right?

Have concentrated here – there is no analysis and no clear answer

1. How can we start developing meaningful/impactful water conservation plans?

Have been working hard but with little support

* M&I Water Use study: a good step
* Our 6-28-18 comments have not been answered
* Water Conservation Planning Guidelines: needs major improvement
* Our 6-29-18 comments have not been answered
* We’re working independently with our local water district and mayors on a new approach (outlined in our Goals comments)
* No DWRe participation and support
* Uncertain where it will lead
* Recommended M&I Water Conservation Goals: some problems
* Our 3-18-19 comments are still pretty fresh
* Touches on many of the prior issues
* Uncertain if we’ll get a response, uncertain next steps

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