

Overview

The Central Utah Water Conservancy District, the U.S. Department of the Interior, the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, and the Utah Reclamation Mitigation and Conservation Commission, as joint lead agencies (JLA), are preparing an environmental assessment (EA) for the proposed Nebo Regional Water Project (NWP). The improvements proposed as part of the NWP would meet current and anticipated future water demands in southern Utah County and eastern Juab County.

Purpose _____

⊘ Improve Safety

Replacing the canal with a pipeline would reduce flood risk and other safety risks associated with the aging, openchannel Strawberry High Line Canal.

Maximize Use of Limited Water Supply

Replacing the canal with a pipeline would conserve water by eliminating seepage and evaporation losses in the Strawberry High Line Canal.

Improve Operational Efficiency and Water Quality

Enclosing and pressurizing the Strawberry High Line Canal would deliver water directly from Strawberry Reservoir with less sediment and debris making the system more efficient.

Modernize Water System

These improvements would provide an integrated, efficient, redundant, and flexible water delivery system that meets current and future demands for agricultural use while also facilitating the transition to future demand requirements for indoor and outdoor Municipal and Industrial use in southern Utah County and eastern Juab County.

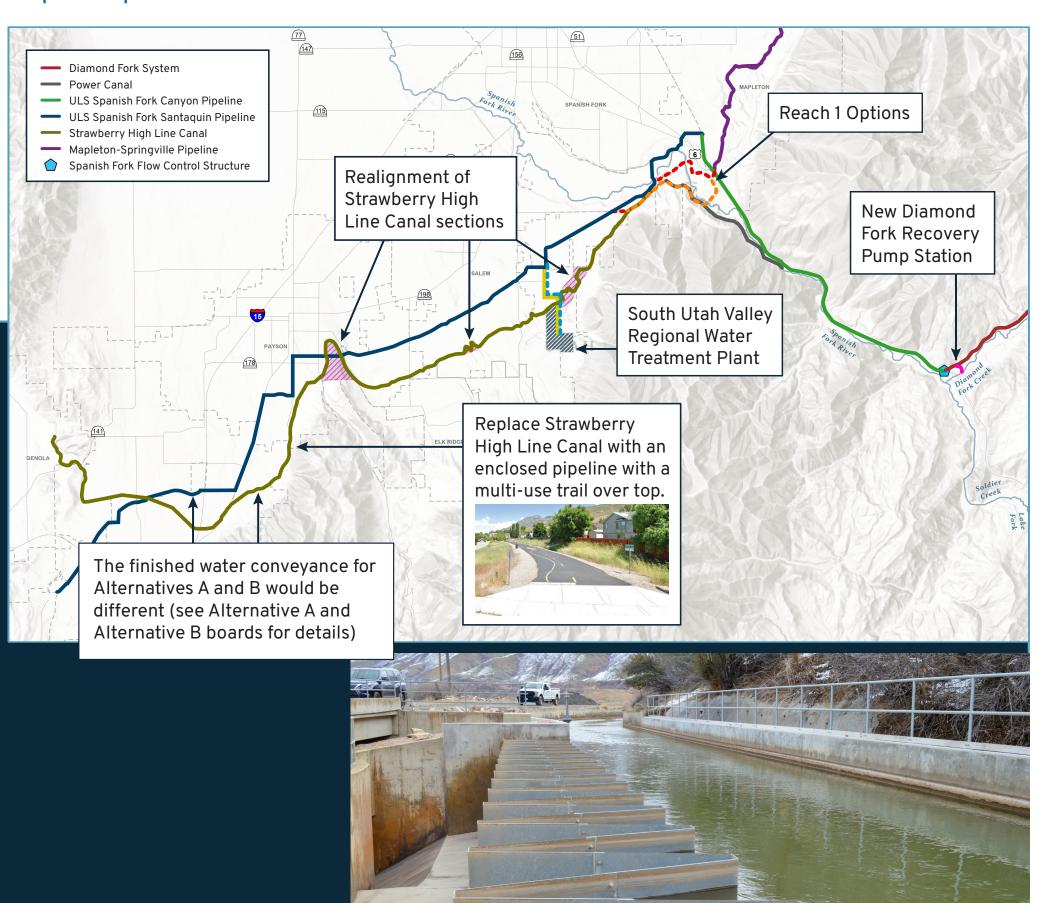
Proposed Improvements

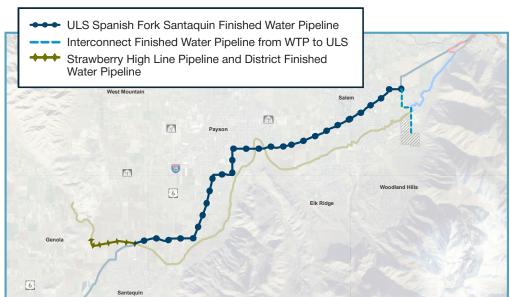
The proposed NWP includes:

- » Enclosing the Strawberry High Line Canal in a buried pipeline
- » Establishing a public trail over this pipeline
- » Modifying the Spanish Fork Santaguin Pipeline
- » Constructing the South Utah Valley Regional Water Treatment Plant
- » Constructing a Diamond Fork Recovery Pump Station
- » Constructing interconnect pipelines
- » Making changes to operations and water use
- » Potentially making changes to the Strawberry Water Users Association's infrastructure
- » Making changes to administrative responsibilities



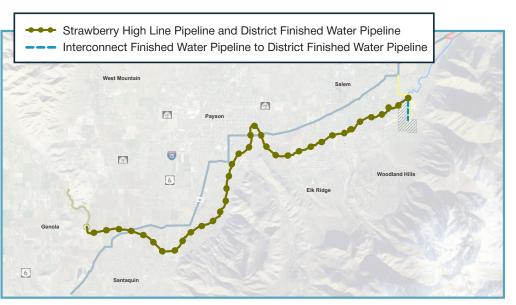
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Alternative A

With Alternative A, the Utah Lake Drainage Basin Water Delivery System (ULS) Spanish Fork Santaquin Pipeline (and its turnouts) would be reconfigured to convey finished water (water treated for culinary and drinking purposes) from the proposed South Utah Valley Regional Water Treatment Plant (WTP).



Alternative B

From the South Utah Valley Regional WTP to Santaquin, Alternative B would convey finished water in a new District pipeline in the Strawberry High Line Canal right-of-way. Alternative B would also enclose the Strawberry High Line Canal in a pipe along the Strawberry High Line Canal right-of-way.

Project Timeline

Need for Improvements Identified

Preliminary Studies

Current

Environmental Assessment (EA)

Final Design 2026 - 2028 Completion: 2028

Construction: 2028 - 2031 Operational: 2032

EARLY 2025: Purpose and Need, Alternatives Development

Define the purpose of the project based on the identified needs

Develop alternatives for the project

SPRING - SUMMER 2025: Scoping

Hold public open houses

Provide 30-day public comment period

SPRING - SUMMER 2025: Environmental Analysis

Conduct studies and evaluate potential impacts of the project to different resources in the study area

FALL 2025 - EARLY 2026: Prepare Draft EA

Compile information and prepare Draft EA

SPRING 2026: Publish Draft EA

Publish Draft EA

Provide 30-day public comment period

SUMMER 2026: Final EA and Either FONSI or Notice of Intent

Respond to comments on Draft EA and make updates to EA

Publish Final EA

Notify the public of the outcome (Finding of No Significant Impact or Notice of Intent to prepare an Environmental Impact Statement)











Submit Comments

Provide your input on:

- » Potential impacts to resources that will be evaluated during the NEPA process
- » Project alternatives



Comment form:

Submit a written comment



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Public comment period: May 23 - June 27, 2025



