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Cleanup Continues on Red Butte Creek

New signage encourages reporting of any oil residue

SALT LAKE CITY – As the cessation of high spring runoff flows diminish, cleanup and restoration activities on Red Butte Creek continue.

While major cleanup of the June 2010 oil spill into Red Butte Creek has been completed, Chevron, Salt Lake Valley Health Department, Utah Department of Environmental Quality and Salt Lake City – the entities that make up the Red Butte Canyon Spill Unified Command – continue to assess the condition of the Red Butte Creek riparian corridor.

Water quality, creek sediment, creek banksoil and aquatic organisms will all continue to be monitored to determine what further measures must be taken to complete the recovery and restoration process.

While this work continues, new signage will be placed in 21 strategic areas along the creek corridor to inform nearby residents and users of the City waterway how to report any oil residue they might encounter.

Any questions and/or concerns about lingering residue can be addressed by the Salt Lake Valley Health Department at 801-313-6700 or the Utah Department of Environmental Quality, via email at RedButteOilSpill-input@utah.gov. To learn more about activities and plans related to the Red Butte Oil Spill, go to <http://www.deq.utah.gov/Issues/redbuttespill/index.htm> or subscribe to the Red Butte Creek email group at subscribe-deq-redbutteoilspill@list.utah.gov.

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