

## Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities

**subject:** Parley's Creek Advisory

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

#### Press Release – Parley's Creek Advisory

The Salt Lake City Department of Public Utilities (SLCDPU) and the Salt Lake Valley Health Department are advising people and their pets to stay out of Parley's Creek due to the risk of contacting material that may cause skin irritation and due to higher flows that will occur as a result of water releases from Mountain Dell Reservoir to dilute and flush fluoride from the creek. This advisory includes Parleys Creek (below the treatment plant) through Tanner Park, Sugarhouse House Park, Hidden Hollow, and the Jordan River.

**This advisory is effective immediately and will continue through Tuesday, September 4<sup>th</sup>.**

Nearly 1,500 gallons of fluoride overflowed the fluoride tank at Parley's Water Treatment Plant early Friday morning.

The bulk of the fluoride has been contained in a pond below the treatment plant and is being pumped into a tank and treated with a base solution to neutralize the chemical. Additional water from the reservoir will be released to the stream to dilute any remaining material and minimize impact to the environment.

There is no risk to the municipal water supply.

Should you have further questions, please contact Stephanie Duer, SLCDPU Information Officer, at 801.483.6860 (office) or 801.647.4982 (cell phone).