

PUBLIC MEETING

INTERIM GARFF RANCH EXCHANGE POLICY



March 1, 2018

Purpose

- Policy Background
- Reasons for Update
- Proposed Policy
- Policy Adoption Process
- Questions

Policy Background

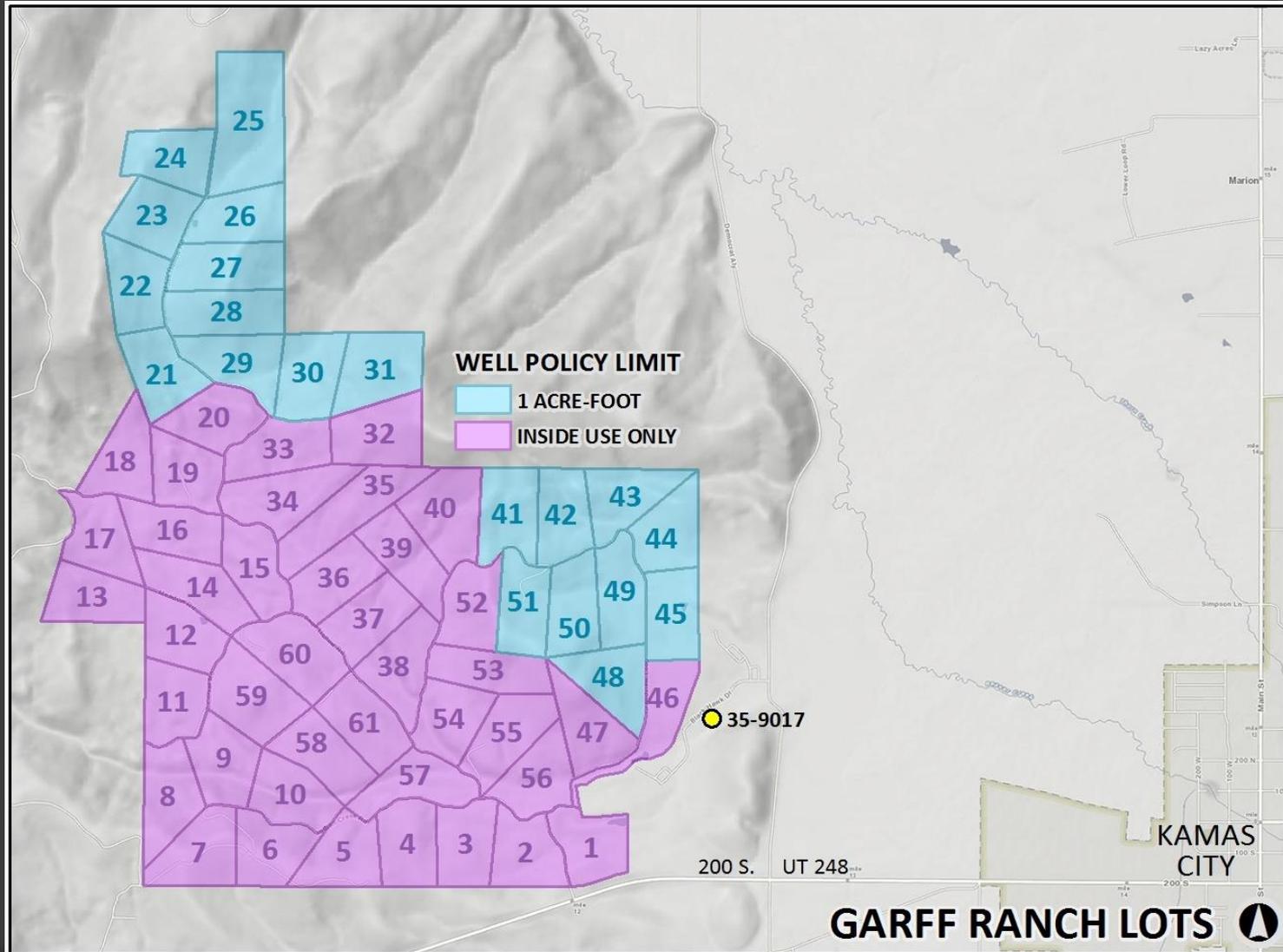
- Implemented in 1993
- State Engineer was concerned that exchanges in the area would impair prior rights.
- Focus of Concern 35-9017
 - Owner of record in 1993 was Leavitt Enterprises, LLP
- Water Right 35-9017 Priority Date: 1885

Policy Background – Cont'd

◎ Policy Restrictions:

- Lots 1 – 20, 32 – 40, 46 & 47 and 52-61
 - Limited to 0.45 acre-foot for indoor, domestic use only. No irrigation or stockwatering.
- Lots 21 – 31, 41 – 45 and 48 – 51
 - Limited to 1 acre-foot; irrigation and stockwatering were permitted.

Policy Boundary



Reasons for Update

- No impairment of water right 35-9017 has been brought to the State Engineer's attention.
- The State Engineer recently approved a change application on water right 35-9017, which proposed indoor domestic use / municipal use from up to two wells.
- Water right 35-9017 will no longer depend on surface water sources.

Proposed Policy

- Exchange applications limited to 1.0 acre-foot; no type-of-use restrictions
- Upon proof submittal a new 1.0 acre-foot exchange may be filed.
- Exchange applications will be reviewed on their own merits and in accordance with UAC 73-3-20.
- Water users with limited exchanges may file new exchange applications.
- State Engineer will monitor effects of this policy.

Policy Adoption Process

- ③ 30 Day Comment Period
 - April 1, 2018
- ③ Evaluation of Comments
- ③ Implement Policy or Make Modifications
 - Posted to waterrights.utah.gov
- ③ Division of Water Rights

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Questions?