



## Numerical Simulation of Groundwater Movement and Managed Aquifer Recharge from Sand Hollow Reservoir, Hurricane Bench Area, Washington County, Utah: USGS Scientific Investigations Report 2012-5236

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