

UTAH Petroleum Marketers & Retailers Association Report



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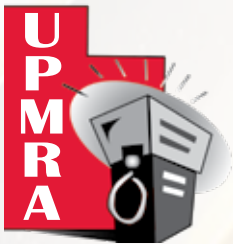
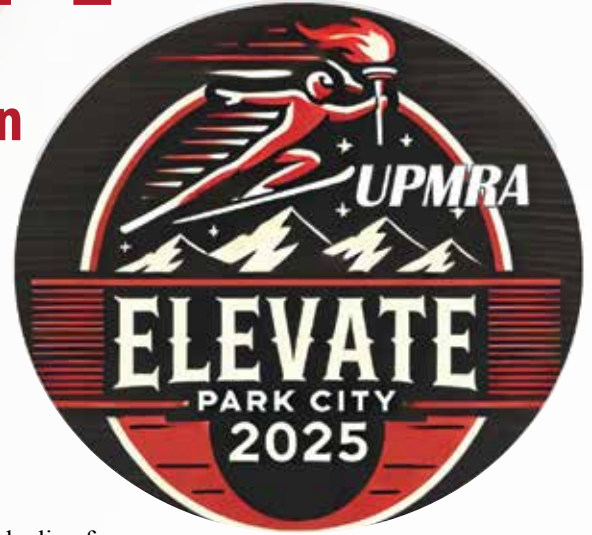
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Elevating 2025 Convention & Trade Show!

Kicking off the UPMRA 2025

Convention and Trade Show at the Utah Olympic Park was a real treat, with attendees mingling on the Legacy Patio, enjoying appetizers and beverages while watching Olympic hopefuls practice their aerials into the Olympic practice pool.

Our Keynote speaker, Congressman Blake Moore spoke live from Washington DC and talked about current challenges and took questions from the audience. And, following up on success last year, our afternoon Trade Show attendees stayed engaged with video horse racing, and a booth challenge raffle. The Convention ended on Thursday, September 11th, with a tribute to our fallen heroes, followed by a gorgeous day of golf and lunch at Soldier Hollow Golf Course in Heber, Utah. Thank you to all our sponsors, exhibitors and attendees who made our 2025 Show a big success.



Golf at Soldier Hollow



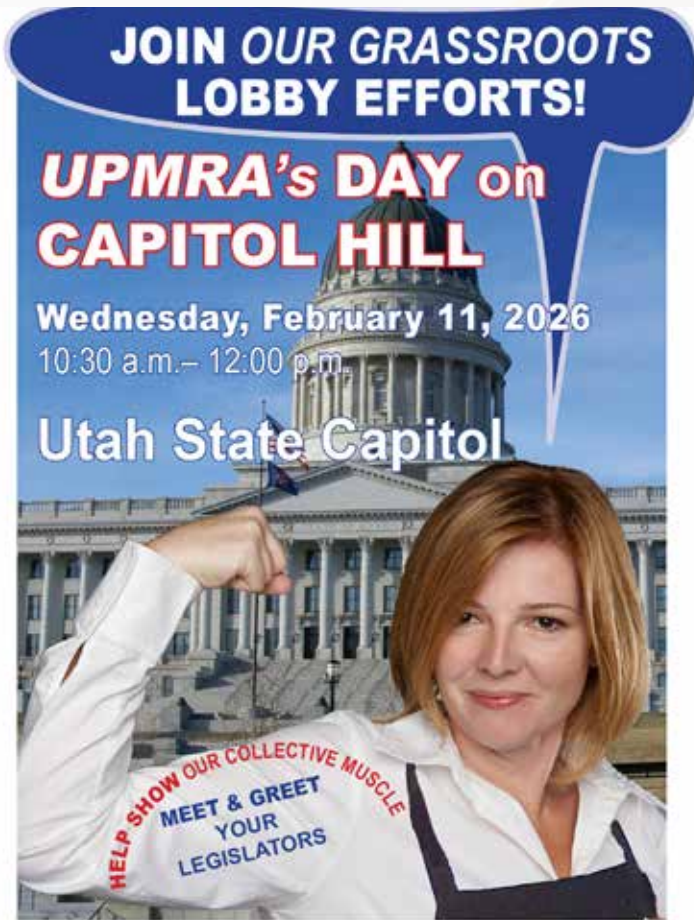
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Elevated in Park City

UPMRA Day on Capitol Hill

– Wednesday, February 11, 2026



Join UPMRA members and State Legislators at our annual “Day on Capitol Hill” held during the 2026 legislative session. Next year, on Wednesday, February 11th, invite your key employees and associates to attend the UPMRA board meeting, from 10:30 – noon, and then lunch and an opportunity to meet with State legislators to discuss industry issues and current legislation.

Fall PST Task Force Meeting Summary

DEQ’s Morgan Atkinson reported to the PST Advisory Task Force (10.27.25) that 209 of 239 (88%) of the facilities with aboveground petroleum storage tanks have obtained a certificate of compliance. DERR has refrained from issuing fines to non-compliant owners, and fire code provisions, including: leak detection, corrosion protection, and overflow prevention will be required for all ASTs by July 1, 2026.

Brent Everett, DERR’s Director, informed us that \$400,000 in Federal Funding was removed from next year’s DERR budget; all other federal and state grants for 2025-26 were received prior to the shutdown. The lost LUST trust money may need to be replaced with a state legislative appropriation, but none is planned for this year or next.

Utah’s refiners are concerned about any push for higher ethanol blends (E15+), and DEQ is concerned with how compatible these fuels are with current tank systems, including how pipe dope and tank sensors will hold up.

On the Federal level, EMA is urging Congress to appropriate an additional \$500 million for small - to medium-sized energy marketers to make upgrades to their PSTs, a follow up to an October 2024 request by Senators Joni Ernst (R-IA) and Amy Klobuchar (D-MN) for additional funding through the Commodity Credit Corporation (CCC) to extend the Higher Blend Infrastructure Incentive Program (HBIIP).

The PST Fund has \$40.4 million with a positive equity balance of \$15.4 million (what would remain if all current claims were paid today), covering 3,060 tanks. The actuaries estimate that in 2032, the fund will hit the \$60 million ceiling, which would trigger a reduction in the environmental surcharge back to a quarter cent. (Email John Hill if you want to see the report.) Everyone is welcome to attend Task Force meetings in-person or on Zoom. The next one is at 2:00 p.m. on January 14th prior to the start of Utah's 2026 Legislative session (1.20.25).

WPMAEXPO – February 17-19, 2026

The WPMA 2026 Expo is at The MGM Grand in Las Vegas on February 17-19th, with football great Tim Tebow as Keynote Speaker.

Plan to attend the 2026 Expo. Your attendance at the **WPMAEXPO** will benefit both you and UPMRA, which gets additional WPMA revenue-sharing dollars based on the number of attendees from Utah.

2026 Convention & Trade Show returning to St. George, Utah

After returning to Park City this year, the board decided to take the 2026 UPMRA Convention & Trade Show back to St. George, so mark your calendar for October 27-29, 2026. The weather will still be fabulous and we avoid any conflict with hunters and Fall breakers. Instead of a Jeep Safari in 2026, we are planning an afternoon hike to some amazing, 1000-year-old Rock Art, and we will play the Horse Racing game again during the trade show, but with a twist to make it more difficult to “game” the system. Convention Golf will be on Thursday, October 29th, and we hope to play Ledges Golf Course. You will not want to miss next year’s convention!