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## **HOW TO MAKE SOLAR THERMAL WORK FOR YOU**

### **-- TOPIC OF SUMMER WORKSHOPS**

**PARK CITY, UTAH** – Recycle Utah is urging 100 home and business owners to “Take the Solar Thermal Challenge” and install solar hot water heating systems this summer.

To help the community meet the challenge, Recycle Utah will present a “how to” workshop on Solar Hot Water Heating on the first Tuesday of every month all summer. The dates are Tuesday, June 2, July 7, August 4, and September 1<sup>st</sup>. The location will be announced. Registration for these free workshops can be made by calling Recycle Utah at 649-9698.

Bill Wilson of Utah Solar & Alternative Energy will discuss the mechanics of solar hot water heating systems, system costs and incentives and rebates.

Recycle Utah will have “Fast Track” information packages available at the workshop. These packets include a “fast track” application from the Park City Building Dept. and a “fast track” loan application from Frontier Bank.

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Solar hot water systems have two main parts -- a solar collector and a storage tank. A pump or gravity system moves the heated fluid between the collector and the storage tank. The heated water is used for culinary purposes, showers, laundry, and floor heating.

“Solar thermal installations are eligible for rebates and tax credits, and the packet contains information about how to make a high-value investment at a fraction of the cost,” Riepen said.

“The sun always shines in Park City,” said Insa Riepen, Executive Director of Recycle Utah. “Many homeowners have hydronic heating systems already, making conversion to solar a real option.”

To register for the free workshop or to get your “Fast Track Packet,” call Recycle Utah at 649-9698.

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