

SUMMARY OF
DRAFT FY 2024 UNIFIED PLANNING WORK PROGRAM
Ogden-Layton and Salt Lake-West Valley Urbanized Areas

A. ADMINISTRATION AND COORDINATION

A.1 WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

OBJECTIVES:

To provide work program and personnel management, interagency coordination, and financial management and control.

To provide administrative support.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Self-certification of the Transportation Planning Process
- Regular meetings of the Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) and its advisory committees and documentation of those meetings
- Coordination with partner agencies, including Mountainland Association of Governments, Utah Transit Authority (UTA), Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), State Division of Air Quality (DAQ), other MPOs, Utah League of Cities and Towns, Utah Association of Counties, Chambers of Commerce, Envision Utah, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, and others
- Monthly Financial Reports
- Annual Audit
- Annual Contract between WFRC and UDOT, WFRC and UTA
- End of year Unified Planning Work Program (UPWP) completion report, and Activities and Accomplishments report
- Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 UPWP and budget amendments
- FY 2025 Goals, Unified Planning Work Program and budget

A.2 UTAH DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

OBJECTIVE:

To coordinate with the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), the Federal Transit Administration (FTA), DAQ, UTA, and WFRC in managing the Salt Lake-West Valley and Ogden-Layton Area transportation planning process.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Review of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Monitoring of WFRC's expenditures of Planning (PL), Surface Transportation Program (STP), and FTA Section 5303 funds
- Participation in WFRC's Trans Com and Regional Growth Committees and their supporting sub-committees

- Coordination in finalizing the 2023-2050 Unified Transportation Plan
- Assistance in developing the FY 2025 UPWP
- Coordination of CMAQ Performance Plans with WFRC
- Coordination with the Transportation and Land Use Connection Program
- Participation in special studies in the region
- Collaboration in the Statewide Household Travel Survey
- Implementation of corridor plans that include local communities' transportation solutions
- Implementation of state legislative directives

A.3 UTAH TRANSIT AUTHORITY

OBJECTIVE:

To coordinate transit planning with the Wasatch Front Regional Council, UDOT, cities, counties, FTA, FHWA, DAQ and other stakeholders throughout the Utah Transit Authority service area.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Annual Grants Status Report
- Interlocal Cooperative Agreements
- Grant Applications
- Grants Management Committee Recommendations
- FTA 5310 Program Management Plan
- Documentation for Audits
- FTA Annual Certifications and Assurances
- Title VI Report
- Project Concept Reports for CMAQ, STP and TAP
- Dissemination of Grant Opportunities Information
- Collection and Distribution of Grants Financial Information
- Participation in Technical and Other Planning Meetings
- National Transit Database (NTD) Data Collection and Reports

B. TRANSIT PLANNING

B.1 UTA TRANSIT PLANNING

OBJECTIVES:

To provide effective transit services within available resources.

To actively participate in transportation studies, community developments and master plan efforts to incorporate transit elements.

To improve multi-modal transportation options for the region in cooperation with WFRC, UDOT, and other stakeholders.

To promote and implement technology that will enhance transit service.

To plan and implement safety and security measures to increase comfort levels of current and future customers.

To work with key agencies for more effective use of transportation resources that will serve persons with disabilities and other transportation disadvantaged persons in the service area.

To promote ridesharing, telecommuting, flextime, bicycling, walking and discount programs to encourage more efficient use of the transportation system.

To encourage and work with stakeholders on transit-oriented developments and more transit-supportive land use.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Long Range Transit Plan (LRTP)
- Small Area Studies
- Service Implementation
- Microtransit Pilot Program Evaluations
- Tooele Electrification / FTA Low-No Project Delivery
- Service Design Guidelines
- Bus Stop Implementation
- Transit Financial Plan (TFP)/Scenario Tool
- Route Restoration and Equity Index
- Wayfinding Signage and Bus Stop Improvement Program
- Real-time Digital Signage for Bus
- Mobile Trip Planning
- On-Board Survey
- TechLink Corridor Study
- Transit Oriented Development (TOD)/Station Area Planning
- Safety Planning
- Emergency Preparedness Planning
- Rideshare Program Planning
- Special Services/American Disability Act (ADA) Planning
- Regional Air Quality Initiatives

- Transit Asset Management Plan
- Environmental Sustainability
- Travel Demand Modeling
- SRD Grant for Suicide Prevention

B.2 MOBILITY MANAGEMENT

OBJECTIVES:

To identify opportunities for and increase coordination of transportation services for transportation disadvantaged populations in order to increase efficiency and equity.

To actively engage in outreach to persons who are at a transportation disadvantage including seniors, individuals with disabilities, persons with low income, and veterans, and to those agencies that perform work on their behalf.

To increase coordination between human service transportation providers through technology and policy initiatives in order to maximize the transportation options available to transportation disadvantaged populations.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Sustainable Local Coordinating Councils (LCCs) in Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, and Weber counties to improve outreach and provide guidance on implementing local projects and partnerships
- Integration of the updated Local Coordinated Human Services Transportation Plans for Davis, Salt Lake, Tooele, Utah, and Weber counties into the Regional Transportation Plans
- Coordination with Bear River Association of Governments mobility management in Box Elder County
- Ongoing outreach to underrepresented populations
- FTA 5310 Funding Administration
- Electronic voucher (eVoucher) program functioning for public use
- 5310 Grant subrecipient site visits
- Coordination with UDOT through the Utah Urban & Rural Specialized Transit Association (URSTA)
- United Way 211 “critical accessible trips” project operations
- Updated 5310 Grant section on the UTA website

C. LONG RANGE PLANNING

C.1 REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN

OBJECTIVES:

To continue to cooperate and coordinate with Utah's three other Metropolitan Planning Organizations (MPOs), Federal Highway Administration (FHWA), Federal Transit Administration (FTA), Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), Utah Transit Authority (UTA), local governments, and other interested agencies and stakeholders for the update of the Wasatch Choice Vision, amendments to the WFRC Regional Transportation Plan: 2023-2050 (2023-2050 RTP), completion of the Utah's Unified Transportation Plan 2023-2050, and development of the WFRC Regional Transportation Plan: 2027-2050 (2027-2050 RTP).

To review, discuss, and incorporate all existing and new federal requirements found in national surface transportation authorization legislation, including the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act (IIJA).

To further communication and next steps to implement the Wasatch Choice Vision.

To continue to develop and refine WFRC's regional transportation planning process to ensure that the Wasatch Choice Vision is incorporated into the overall 2027-2050 RTP process with local communities, transportation partners, and stakeholders.

To increase active transportation emphasis in the 2027-2050 RTP through improved cost and revenue estimation, funding identification, and facility identification, including sidewalks, that increases the number of trips taken by biking or walking.

To increase access to transit services by people walking or biking through transportation-partner-coordinated identification of priority first-/last-mile infrastructure projects.

To continue to refine RTP performance measures, to evaluate individual and system-level improvements throughout the 2027-2050 RTP development process, to set appropriate performance measure targets, and monitor progress towards the Wasatch Choice Vision.

To develop shared approaches to address local and regional disruptive technologies and external uncertainties, including climate change and resiliency.

To identify and test policies that affect the transportation system from land use, economic development, travel demand, equity, environmental, and financial perspectives.

To increase and coordinate efforts in planning related to safety for all road users with the most relevant and up to date data and tools, especially as it relates to vulnerable road users such as pedestrians and cyclists.

To coordinate and increase emphasis with transportation partners and key stakeholders for statewide, regional, and local freight issues.

To plan for transportation while understanding the effects of and impacts upon land use, regional development patterns, economic development, and historically underserved and underrepresented communities.

To be responsive to local community and transportation partner requests for amendments to the 2023-2050 RTP.

To initiate coordination and communications efforts for Utah's Unified Transportation Plan 2027-2050.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Initial development of the 2027-2050 RTP, including enhanced consideration of the following:
 - Innovative funding and financing strategies
 - Multi-modal project evaluation
 - External forces and policies (e.g. connected and autonomous vehicles, telecommuting, road usage charge, micro mobility)
 - Policy approaches to complement planned investments
 - Equity and impacts to underserved and underrepresented communities
 - Planning and environmental linkages, including risk and resiliency
 - Safety data and tools
 - Regional and local freight focus
- A new Utah's Unified Transportation Plan 2023-2050, coordinated among Utah's four MPOs, FHWA, FTA, UDOT, UTA, and other interested agencies
- Amendments to the 2023-2050 RTP

C.2 GROWTH PLANNING

OBJECTIVES:

To identify, evaluate, and address issues and concerns associated with growth throughout the Wasatch Front Region.

To encourage greater cooperation and coordination among municipalities, townships, and counties.

To improve integration between transportation, land use and economic development planning / implementation efforts in relation to the WFRC transportation planning / programming process.

To continue to promote awareness of regional and long-term issues and solutions related to the WFRC adopted Regional Goals and the Wasatch Choice Vision.

To identify actions in addition to transportation capacity improvements that improve regional quality of life and meet regional transportation needs.

To identify priority transportation corridors for which corridor preservation activities are needed, participate in UDOT's (Revolving Loan Fund) Corridor Preservation Advisory Council and Local Corridor Preservation Fund processes, and assist local governments with corridor preservation tools and implementation of corridor preservation measures.

To improve the resiliency of the region's economic, environmental and social systems by addressing external forces and uncertainties.

To utilize a performance-based approach to planning, including using performance measures to inform interim decisions.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Refinement of the Wasatch Choice integrated transportation, land use, and economic opportunity regional blueprint.
- Incorporation of community and economic development considerations into the region's *transportation* planning and programming processes.
- Incorporation of transportation and community development considerations into the region's *economic development* planning.
- Incorporation of regional transportation considerations into the region's *community development* planning processes.
- Assistance to local governments in their coordinated planning efforts, including preservation of transportation corridors.
- Identification of local and regional strategies to improve resiliency of outcomes in the face of disruptive technologies, uncertain market dynamics, and environmental uncertainties.
- Incorporation of parks, public spaces, and critical lands considerations into the Wasatch Choice Vision and the 2023–2050 Regional Transportation Plan.

C.3 LOCAL GOVERNMENT PLANNING SUPPORT

OBJECTIVES:

To provide support to cities, counties, and other planning agencies as they consider incorporating the Regional Growth Principles and the Wasatch Choice Vision into their plans.

To support local planning efforts that shape development encouraging alternative modes of transportation, producing less travel demand, and furthering the Wasatch Choice Vision Growth Principles.

To support utilization of Wasatch Choice implementation planning tools for local governments, other planning agencies, and the development community by which they can improve growth planning.

To provide assistance to local governments in the area of planning through WFRC programs such as the Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) and Station Area Planning (SAP).

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- The TLC program administration and technical assistance
- SAP technical assistance and certification

- Inventory of community general plans
- Planning assistance and coordination, generally

D. SHORT RANGE PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING

D.1 TRANSPORTATION MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS

OBJECTIVES:

To develop, maintain and improve a congestion management process for the Salt Lake-West Valley and Ogden-Layton Urbanized Areas that is integrated with the urban transportation planning process.

To continue partnerships with UDOT, UTA, cities and counties regarding expansion of both transportation demand management and transportation system management programs including Intelligent Transportation Systems (ITS) technologies.

To incorporate safety into the urban transportation planning process through emphasis at all levels of planning and programming.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- A Congestion Management Process (CMP)
- Promotion of Transportation Demand Management (TDM) and Transportation System Management (TSM) strategies
- Incorporation of Congestion Management in the RTP and TIP
- Incorporation of UDOT's Pavement and Bridge Management System results in the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP)
- Incorporation of Safety Improvements in the RTP and TIP
- Comprehensive Safety Action Plan

D.2 PLAN REFINEMENT AND SPECIAL STUDIES

OBJECTIVES:

To analyze and recommend long-term policies and short to medium range actions for implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan.

To conduct special studies of highway and transit systems as they relate to the Regional Transportation Plan and UTA, UDOT or local plans and projects.

To develop complete street standards and tools so that future road projects more fully consider non-auto modes and plans in their design.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Active Transportation To Transit Plan (AT3P)
- FrontRunner Forward
- Transit Oriented Development (TOD) Implementation
- Transit Signal Priority (TSP) Implementation
- Bus Speed and Reliability Program
- Fare Collection Technology Study
- Paratransit Study

- Joint Projects Studies
- Other Planning Studies

D.3 TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES:

To develop a financially constrained Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) that covers a broad range of transportation improvements and conforms with the State Implementation Plan for air quality (SIP).

To prepare and maintain the urban Surface Transportation Program, the Congestion Mitigation Air Quality Program, the Transportation Alternatives Program, and the Carbon Reduction Program for the Salt Lake/ West Valley and the Ogden/ Layton Urbanized Areas.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- An evaluation process that will help coordinate the implementation of the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP) for highways, transit, and active transportation, meet the short range needs of the area, and provide for the maintenance of the existing transportation system
- Surface Transportation Program (STP), Congestion Mitigation/ Air Quality (CMAQ) program, Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP), and Carbon Reduction Program (CRP)
- A six-year Transportation Improvement Program containing highway, transit, and other modal projects programmed for the region
- Support for project implementation and completion
- Listings of obligations of federal highway and transit funds for fiscal year 2023

E. PROJECT COORDINATION AND SUPPORT

E.1 UDOT ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

OBJECTIVES:

To accomplish environmental analysis requirements for federal approval of regional highway facilities.

To provide technical support to environmental studies and ensure that planning work is considered in them. WFRC will also provide general support to these projects through other elements of the UPWP.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- I-15 Farmington to Salt Lake City Environmental Study
- US-89/I-84 Interchange Environmental Study
- I-84 Mountain Green Interchange Environmental Study
- Other Environmental Studies

E.2 UTA ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

OBJECTIVES:

To accomplish environmental analysis requirements for federal approval of regional transit facilities.

To provide technical support to environmental studies and ensure that planning work is considered in them. WFRC will also provide general support to these projects through other elements of the UPWP.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Davis - SLC Community Connector
- Point of the Mountain Transit
- S-Line Extension
- 5600 West Westside Express
- Other Environmental Studies

F. TRAVEL DEMAND AND SOCIOECONOMIC FORECASTING

OBJECTIVES:

- To develop and maintain the Wasatch Front Travel Demand Model (WF TDM) and Real Estate Market Model (REMM), along with their associated input data, in order to best support regional planning analysis and decision-making.
- To support internal and external application of the WF TDM and REMM models for project-level studies and scenario evaluations throughout the region, including providing training opportunities to transportation agency staff and private sector consultants.
- To increase the quality, consistency, transparency, and ease of use of model-related tools and their output.
- To increase coordination and team building across the model user community.
- To implement best practices in model development and application given available resources.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

Model Coordination

- Continued stakeholder engagement in modeling decisions through the existing Interagency Model Policy Committee (IMPC) and Interagency Model Technical Committee (IMTC)

Travel Data Development & Visualization

- Finalization, and appropriate dissemination of 2023 Household Travel Survey student and household summary datasets, and reports for transportation partners, researchers and general audiences
- Continued collaboration with UDOT, UTA and MPO partners to utilize commercial “big data” origin/destination datasets in support of WF TDM calibration and validation
- Continued development of automated desktop and web-accessible tools to translate output of the models into formats that better support map-based and other visual assessment, calculation of performance measures, and the general use of these information resources
- Published updates to official travel volume forecasts that factor in the phased, fiscally constrained projects in the 2023 RTP and the associated updated socioeconomic forecasts
- Preliminary multi-modal TDM network and microzone set
- Updated 2023 seasonal traffic factors and comprehensive speed data set

WF TDM

- Documentation for v9.0, including quality control tests and standardized model reports and web-based visualization tools
- Begin enhancements toward a future update release of the WF TDM (v9.1)
- Begin research on the following future enhancements to the WF TDM
- Application of the WF TDM to various transportation and other regional planning projects

REMM

- Continued implementation of peer review panel recommendations (August 2019) for enhancements to REMM 1.1 model structure, input data, visualization of results, model transparency, and collaboration with other MPO's
- Updated REMM input data models to improve the efficiency of maintaining and updating this information and to enhance the utility of this information for other regional analyses
- Incremental improvements to the REMM model structure and coefficients
- Application of the REMM to various transportation and other regional planning projects
- Addition of Brigham City, Perry, and Willard area in Box Elder County into REMM's geographic coverage area, *pending anticipated 2023 MPO planning area boundary updates*

G. TECHNICAL SUPPORT AND SERVICES

G.1 AIR QUALITY ANALYSIS AND COORDINATION

OBJECTIVES:

To coordinate transportation plans at the system and project level with the goals, policies, and specific actions of the State Implementation Plan (SIP) for air quality.

To identify and help implement strategies for improving air quality in the region.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Conformity determinations for the TIP, RTP, and any amendments
- Technical support for air quality analysis and SIP development
- Regular meetings of the Interagency Consultation Team
- Air quality performance measures and reporting
- CMAQ Performance Plan and Targets

G.2 SOCIOECONOMIC AND TRANSPORTATION DATA

OBJECTIVES:

To develop, verify and maintain socioeconomic estimate and forecast data at the county, place, and Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) levels.

To collect detailed input data for the development and enhancement of the regional travel and land use models.

To maintain various other databases that support the Regional Travel Demand Model, the regional Real Estate Market Model (REMM), and studies/plans prepared by WFRC and others, including, but not limited to, existing and historical socioeconomic and transportation data.

To perform analysis to assist regional planning efforts, such as the Wasatch Choice 2050 Vision, the Regional Transportation Plan, and the Transportation Improvement Program.

To coordinate with the US Census Bureau in support the decennial and American Community Survey data products that are accessible and utilized within this region.

To collect, process, and analyze highway, transit, and active transportation data.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Continued availability of official Traffic Analysis Zone (TAZ) and city-scale socioeconomic projections – as GIS-ready datasets and interactive web maps that support long range planning in transportation and other fields
- Analysis of socioeconomic data and forecasts
- Input to short-range programming, long-range planning, and air quality analyses
- Continually updated REMM land use model base year data set
- Trip speed data and analysis

- Traffic volume data, including but not limited to, annual statistics, containing adjusted counts from permanent recorders and coverage stations
- Transit ridership, park and ride lot usage, and other transit data

G.3 GIS AND DATA MANAGEMENT

The GIS work described in this section relates to the federal planning emphasis area of “data in transportation planning.”

OBJECTIVES:

To serve partners and the region through collecting, using, and presenting spatial data and information in transportation, land use, and economic development planning.

To maintain a reliable, up-to-date inventory of authoritative spatial datasets, reducing internal and external data redundancy.

To promote visualization of regional map-based information using interactive web map applications.

To respond to community needs by delivering timely information resources related to equity, housing, and access to opportunities.

To empower Geographic Information System (GIS) users to more easily retrieve data and create maps for analysis and decision-making support.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Geospatial datasets, spatial analysis, and interactive maps in support of the Wasatch Choice Vision, Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) program goals and activities, and communication of results from the 2023 Household Travel Survey project.
- Updated GIS map layers and interactive web maps depicting mobility, access to opportunities, and other key regional performance metrics from the Wasatch Front travel demand model (WF TDM) and Real Estate Market Model (REMM) land use model.
- Up-to-date GIS input datasets for the WF TDM and REMM models, including continued updates to base year parcels, housing and employment information, and local land use policy and plans, and to the processes designed to support keeping these input datasets current.
- Geospatial datasets, spatial analysis, and maps in support of relevant community issues and needs, such as housing and equity, including continuation of WFRC’s Map of the Month for WFRC’s newsletter series.
- Authoritative geospatial datasets that are appropriately accessible to both internal and external users in a variety of data formats including streaming web connections.
- A WFRC GIS database organizational and operational plan that will streamline the collection, processing, storage, and dissemination of GIS data

- A comprehensive update of the existing and planned additions to the on- and off-street bicycle network, working from the most recent aerial photography and local active transportation plans
- An Equity focus areas (EFAs) interactive map explaining and depicting WFRC's updated, EFA geographic zones
- Updated existing conditions interactive map for the region (and retirement of the current version)
- Technical documentation/metadata for authoritative geospatial datasets.

G.4 TECHNICAL SUPPORT TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

OBJECTIVES:

To provide assistance to state and local agencies, as well as the public in developing projects, plans, and programs which are part of or relate to the transportation system.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Assistance and information to local governments and others

G.5 TOOELE VALLEY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

OBJECTIVES:

To work with local governments, UDOT and UTA to provide a structured transportation planning process for Tooele Valley.

To update the Tooele Valley Regional Long Range Transportation Plan and advance transportation priorities for Tooele Valley.

To provide a public involvement process.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Refinements to the Tooele Valley Regional Long Range Transportation Plan
- Updated priorities for consideration in the Statewide Transportation Improvement Program
- A public involvement process

G.6 MORGAN COUNTY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

OBJECTIVES:

To work with local governments and UDOT to provide a structured transportation planning process for Morgan County.

To develop a Morgan County Long-Range Transportation Plan and advance transportation priorities for Morgan County.

To provide a public involvement process.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Refinements to the Morgan County Long-Range Transportation Plan
- Updated priorities for consideration in the STIP
- A public involvement process

H. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT

OBJECTIVES:

To provide early, on-going, and two-way communication with special interest groups, elected and appointed government officials, other government agencies, and the general public regarding Wasatch Front Regional Council (WFRC) projects, plans, studies, and processes.

To provide forums in which this communication takes place, public events, written communication, email campaigns, website pages, social media posts, news media, online interactive maps and/or visualization tools, and other methods are leveraged. To be performed in coordination with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT), Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG), Utah Transit Authority (UTA), Envision Utah, Utah League of Cities and Towns (ULCT), and local government staff, to ensure that the public is well informed about the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), Transportation Improvement Program (TIP), Wasatch Choice Vision, Transportation and Land Use Connection (TLC) program, Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD), and other plans and programs.

To comply with the public involvement provisions of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act federal legislation and the requirements of Title VI for inclusionary efforts for the transportation disadvantaged and those with limited English proficiency.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Public events, including:
 - Online, in-person, or hybrid open houses and workshops
 - Wasatch Choice Vision event or similar combined event
 - RTP and TIP processes
 - Project-specific public events, many of which will be held in conjunction with other public agencies, including UDOT, UTA, etc.
- Email campaigns
- Redesigned website
- Website pages
- Social media posts
- Multimedia content (e.g., videos)
- Updated Public Participation Plan
 - Measures of Effectiveness Report
- Online interactive maps and/or visualization tools; maintenance and use of a stakeholders email distribution list, which currently includes over 3,500 contacts
- General and program-specific brochures and report cards
- Speaking engagements at chambers of commerce, and university and college classes, as well as senior, community, environmental, vulnerable community, minority, and disadvantaged groups, etc.
- Briefings to the news media
- Visits with environmental justice, underserved community, and other special interest groups, as well as natural resource agencies to receive input on RTP development
- Presentations to the legislature
- Presentations at transportation, land use, and planning conferences

- Distribution of the statewide Utah's Unified Transportation Plan
- Documentation of all public involvement efforts

I. COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

I.1 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM

OBJECTIVES:

To assist in the development of viable urban communities by providing decent housing and a suitable living environment, principally for persons of low and moderate income.

To provide data, planning, technical assistance, management, and other information and services through the Small Cities CDBG Program of the Wasatch Front Region within Morgan, Tooele, and Weber Counties, excluding Ogden City.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

Regionwide:

- Updated regional Annual Action Plan for the Wasatch Front Region
- Updated Rating and Ranking Criteria to comply with local and regional goals and priorities for funding
- Assistance to the Regional Review Committee (RRC) for meetings, consolidated plan information and Rating and Ranking Criteria.
- Assistance to the State CDBG policy committee representative for the region in order to better facilitate representation of local interests with state agencies
- Assistance to the Councils of Governments from Morgan, Tooele and Weber Counties along with other local elected officials in order to familiarize and inform them of program requirements and responsibilities
- Technical assistance to any interested entity to ensure access and participation in the program. Assistance may be provided not only to municipalities, but also non-profit agencies, social service providers, local special service improvement districts, and other organizations
- Coordination between the State, as the program administrator, and each local entity (applicants) to ensure program awareness and compliance

Municipality:

- Assistance to jurisdictions in updating their capital improvement plans that prioritize needs and identify projects to help mitigate the needs
- Promotion of community and public service-related activities such as the Continuum of Care program, the State's Plan to End Chronic Homelessness, and planning for affordable housing

I.2 ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

OBJECTIVES:

To continue to administer the Wasatch Front Economic Development District (WFEDD) in order to better support the region and remain eligible for funding from the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

To annually update the region's 5-Year Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS), a study that brings together public and private sectors to create an economic roadmap that strengthens regional economies.

To integrate economic development plans, programs, and activities with the WFRC, including the transportation planning process and Wasatch Choice Vision.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- An annual update to the currently adopted 2018-2023 Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
- A new 2023-2028 5-Year Regional Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)
- Coordination and Implementation of the Statewide 2030 Coordinated Economic Action Plan

I.3 LOCAL ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANCE

OBJECTIVES:

To provide administrative support to small cities and towns without administrative staff.

ANTICIPATED PRODUCTS:

- Administrative assistance to small cities and towns