

Regional Growth Committee

October 11, 2017

WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

A *Vision* with out *Action* is *Hallucination*





Wasatch Front's shared growth strategy that clarifies needed action

Wasatch Choice 2050

From scratch

 Grassrootsdeveloped





Wasatch Choice 2050

 Coordinate the Town, City building blocks of and great metropolitan Regional Centers areas Road, WASATCH CHOICE Transit and Active Centers Our Future **Transport** Open Farms



Presentation Outline

- The local opportunities within Wasatch Choice 2050
- Overview of the draft Preferred Scenario
- How to get involved





The opportunities within Wasatch Choice 2050

- 1. Consider how your community can *affect* regional infrastructure
- 2. Coordinate with adjacent communities
- 3. Plan across silos
- 4. Inform local planning with metropolitan issues

The transit investment catch 22



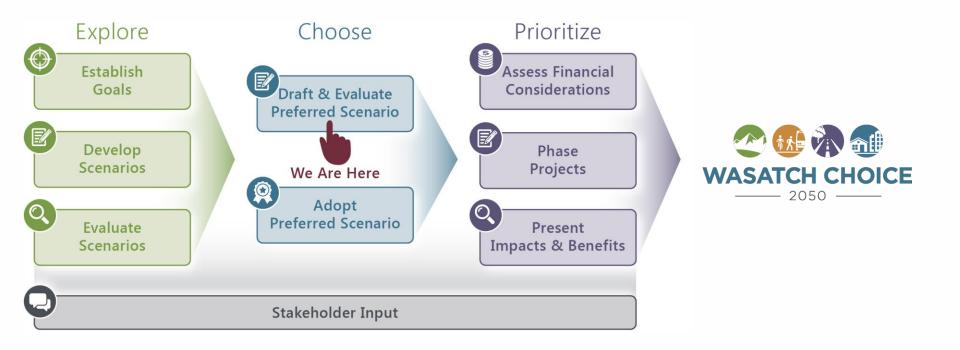
- "With 25% more riders, we'd get BRT!"
- "So, all station areas need to increase densities"
- "But I'll only increase densities if the other cities do as well"
- "But I'll only increase densities if I know we'll get the BRT"

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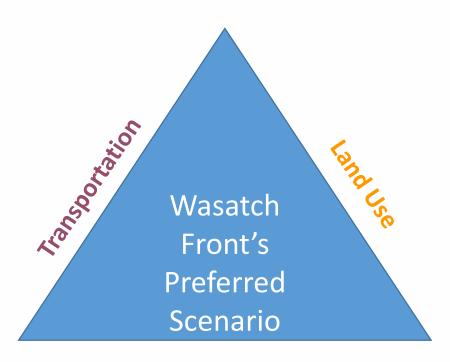


Process





The Preferred Scenario



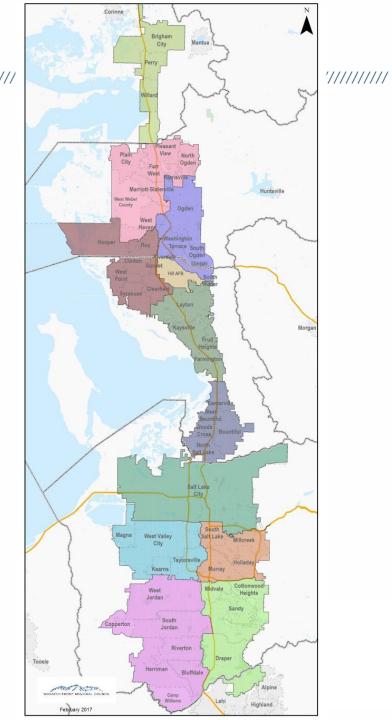
Economic Development

For example...

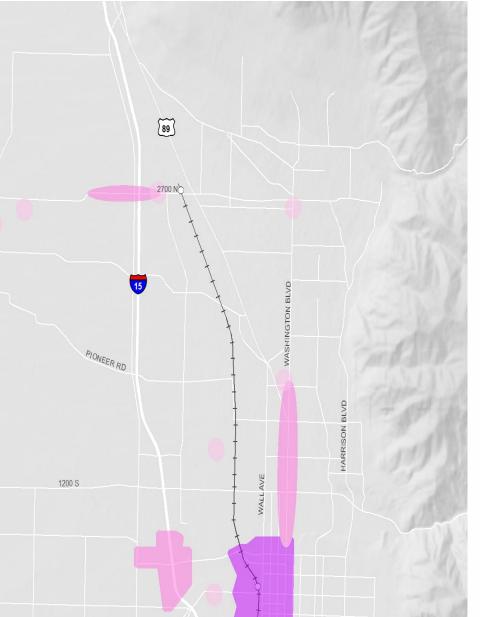
"What are the things transportation needs to do to support your land use and economic development vision"



Explored in "Small Areas"



Mixed-use centers



What mixed use centers do you support?

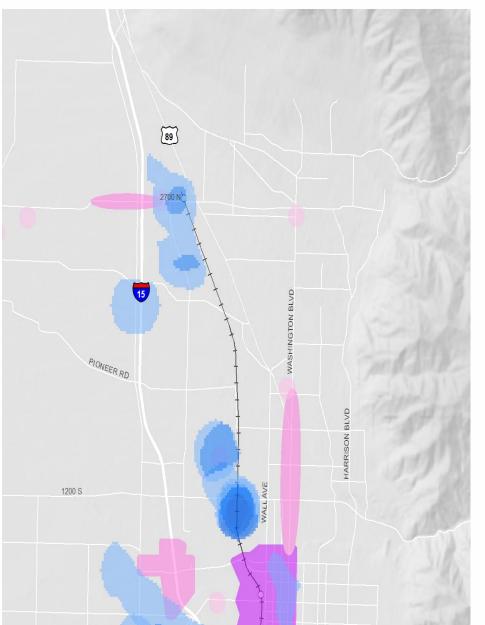
Should NEW mixed use centers be actively explored?

How do the other elements support these centers?

- Transportation
- Economic development



Job centers



What job centers do you support?

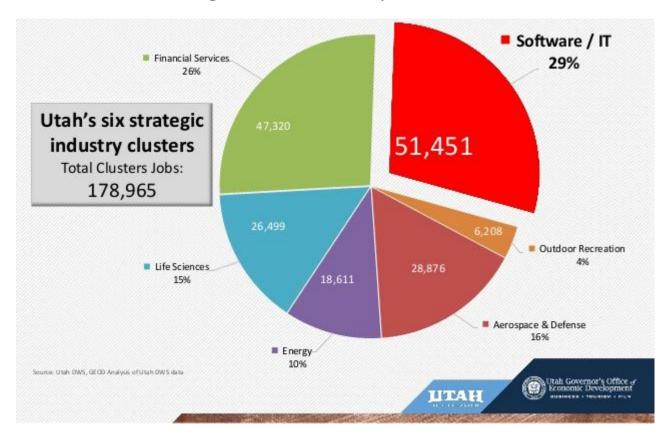
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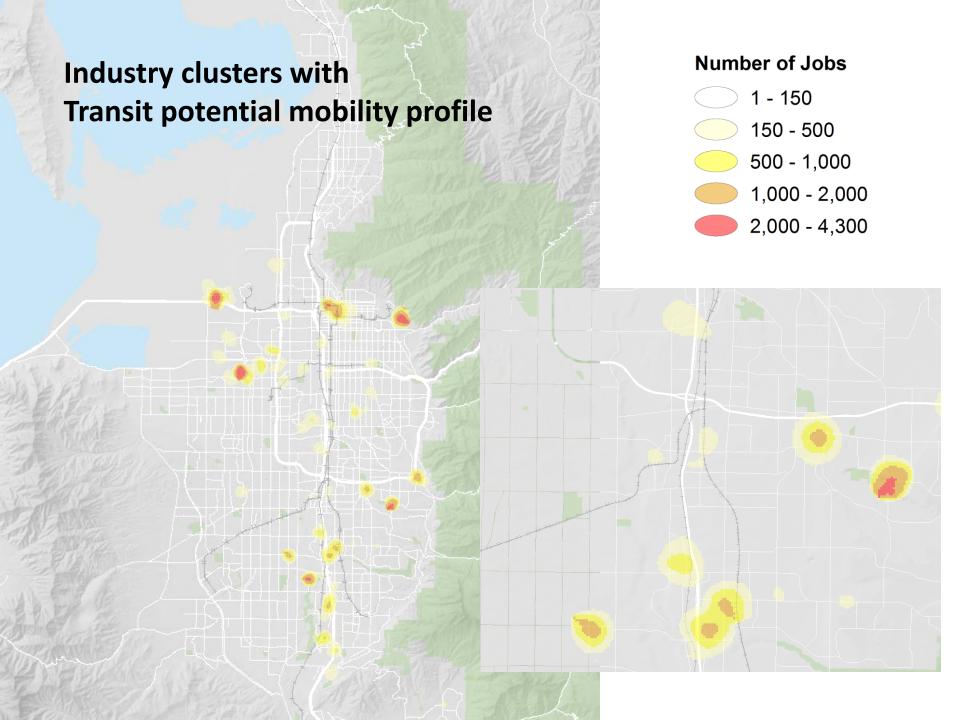
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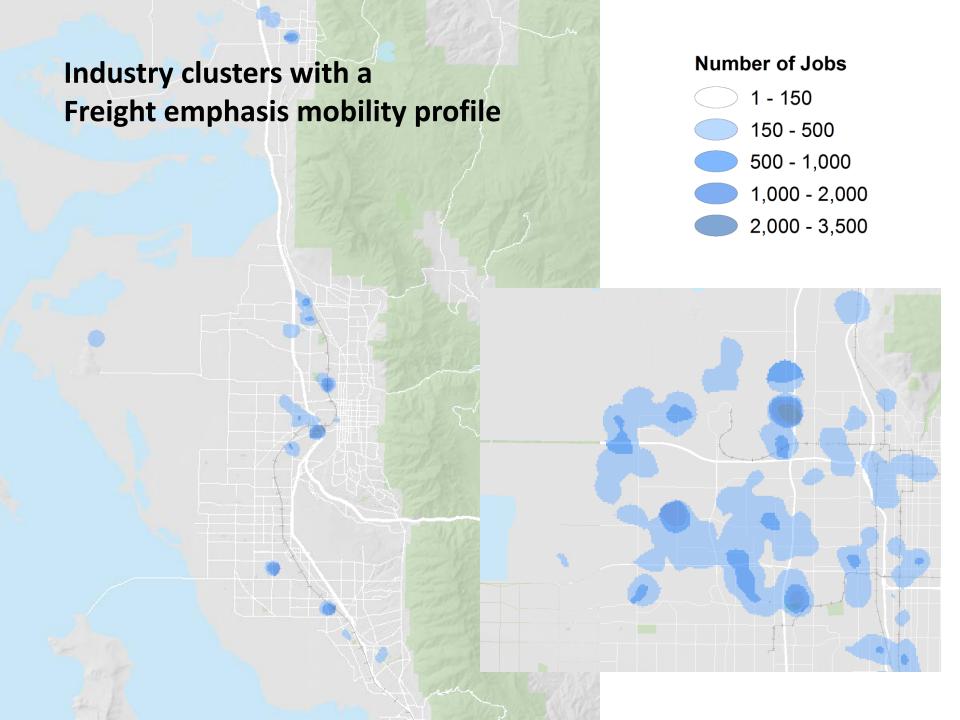


Planning to aid economic development?

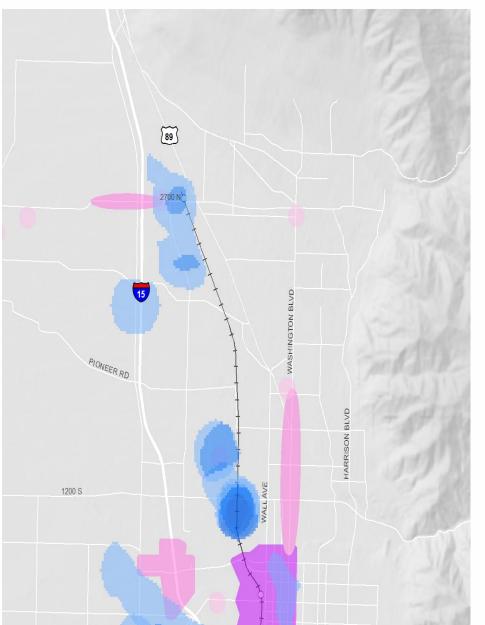
Utah's Targeted Industry Clusters







Job centers



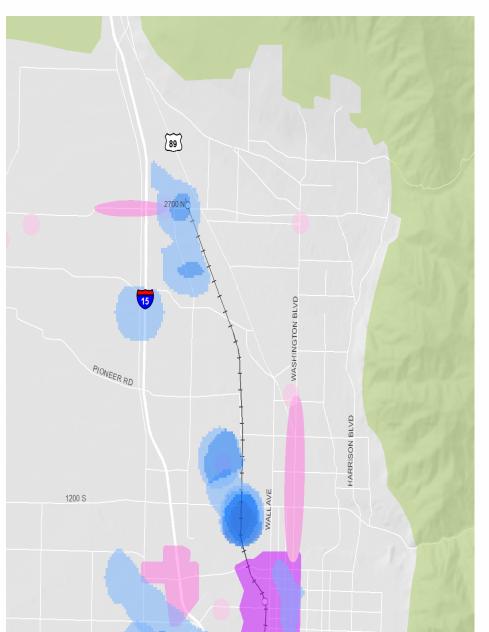
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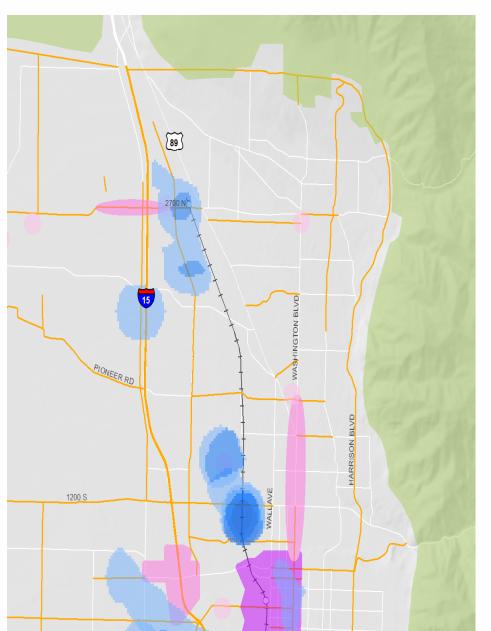
Regional green infrastructure



Ideas for collaboration on parks, open space or agricultural preservation?



Road investments



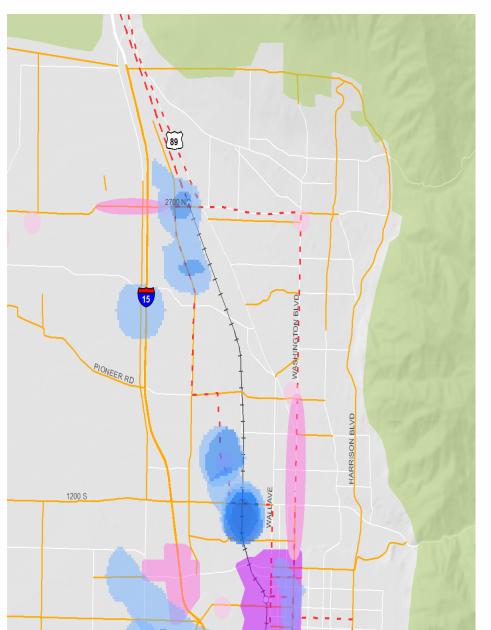
How might proposed roads affect....

Congestion?
Access to destinations?

How do they support land use and economic development goals?



Transit investments



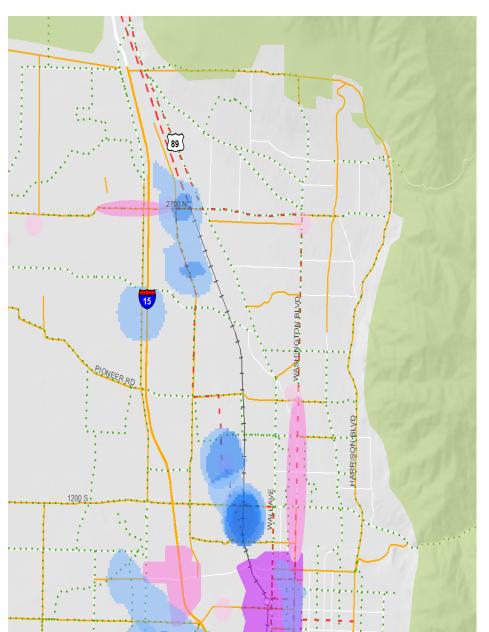
How might proposed transit affect....

Ridership and mode? Access to destinations?

How do they support land use and economic development goals?



Bicycling backbone



Consider cross-town bicycling backbone with adjacent communities



Using the Preferred Scenario

- Scale detailed enough to inform
 - Local land use decisions
 - Local, regional, and state economic development decisions
 - Local, regional, and state transportation decisions
- Clarifies key strategies in each location
 - Based on the particular objectives, contexts, and existing conditions in each area



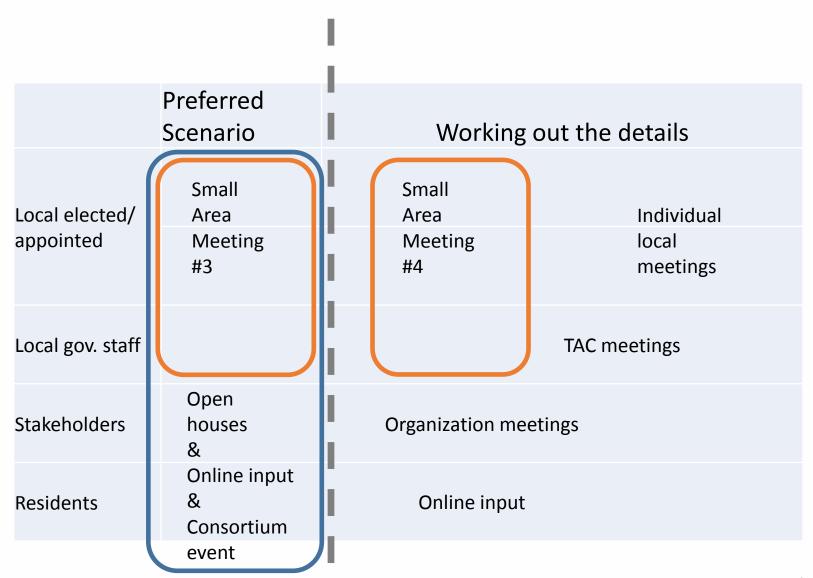
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Who and how is the vision built?







Economic Development

Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Land Use

Transportation and Land Use Connection

Transportation

Regional Transportation Plan

The vision tied to implementing regional plans



Wasatch Front's Vision

- Local opportunities are within Wasatch Choice 2050
- Draft Preferred Scenario explores transportation's interaction with significant mixed use and job centers
- How to get involved
 - Small area meeting
 - Individual meetings
 - Technical committees
 - Online engagement







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2019-2050 RTP

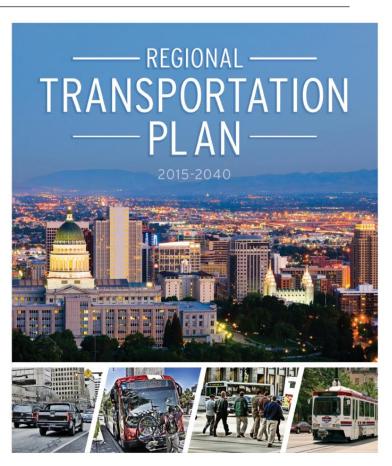
Draft RTP Phasing Criteria and Amendment Technical Considerations

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RTP Process Overview

- WFRC's RTP process
 - Creating a vision input on needs
 - Project selection technical evaluation
 - Project phasing technical evaluation
 - Financial constraints
- 2019 2050 RTP to be adopted in May 2019



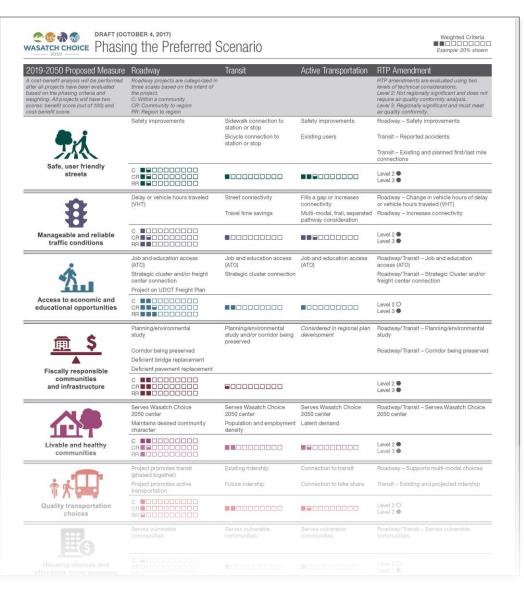




Phasing criteria

- Enables data-driven decision-making, while maintaining flexibility
- Informs WFRC program funding eligibility

 Interagency collaboration: UDOT, UTA, RGC TAC

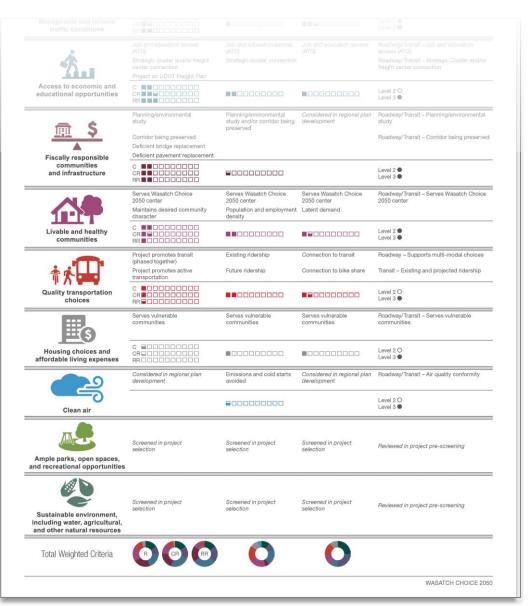




Phasing criteria

 Roadway weighting would vary between three scales.

- All projects will have two scores:
 - Benefits score (out of 100)
 - Benefit/cost score (total score / project cost)



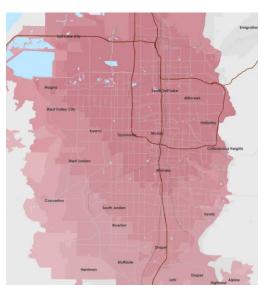


Updates from 2015 Plan



 Refinements made to Access to Opportunities (ATO) measure – roadway and transit

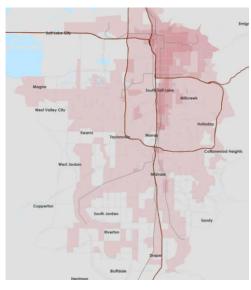
New measure:
 Strategic Cluster
 connection – all
 modes



30 minute auto trip

Job Accessibility

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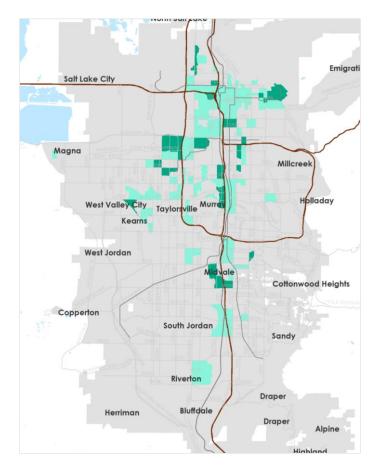
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Updates from 2015 Plan



- Service to Vulnerable
 Communities transit
 and active
 transportation
- Impacts on Vulnerable
 Communities –
 roadway



Areas with concentrations of low income, minority, zero-car households



Updates from 2015 Plan



- Sidewalk or bicycle lane connection to station or stop – transit
- Safety improvements roadway and active transportation



Image source: Toole Design Group

Updates from 2015 Plan



- New measure: street connectivity – transit
- System connectivity active transportation

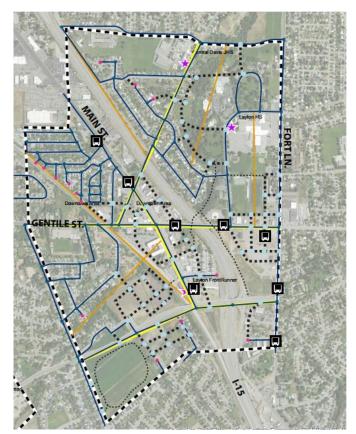


Image source: Utah Street Connectivity Guide, 2017

RTP Amendment Considerations

- Mitigates safety issues
- Improves traffic conditions through management and reliability
- Project Readiness
- Supports Wasatch Choice 2050 Center
- Improves access to job and educational opportunities (ATO) and freight
- Supports transportation choices
- Serves or does not impact vulnerable communities and/or elderly populations
- Air Quality Conformity



2019-2050 RTP

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2015-2040 RTP

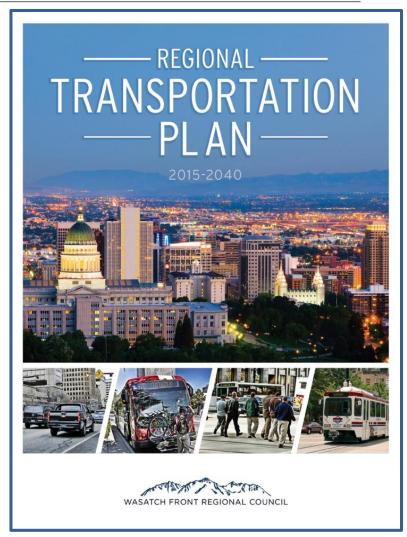
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RTP And Amendment Process Overview

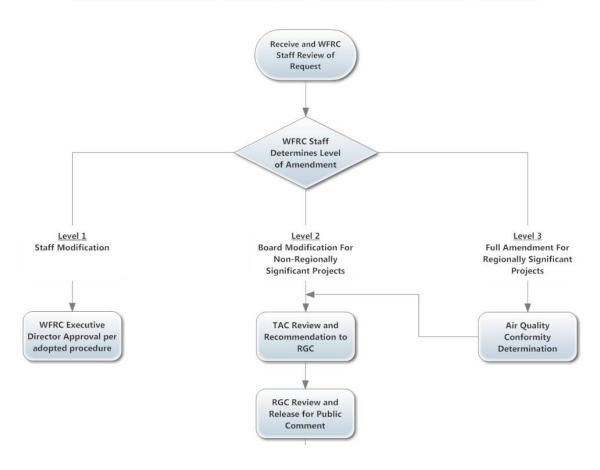
- RTP is updated every four years
 - Recently adopted May 2015
- Periodic adjustments are needed between adoption cycles
- WFRC's RTP amendment process
 - Financial constraints
 - Public review and input
 - Modeling and Air quality conformity
- Proposed requests reviewed annually beginning in March



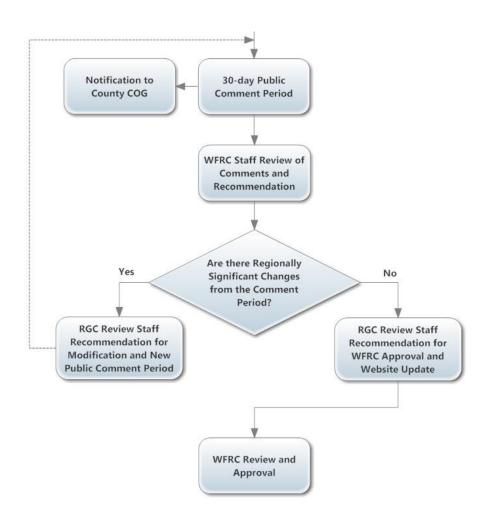


RTP And Amendment Process Overview

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION PLAN AMENDMENT PROCESS



RTP And Amendment Process Overview



Technical Considerations for Future Amendments

Why Technical Considerations?

- Direction from RGC in May 2017
 - Will provide additional information to inform decisions
 - Tied to the WC2050 Goals and the RTP evaluation and phasing criteria
- Considerations reviewed by UDOT, UTA, RGC TACs, and now RGC
- Technical Considerations for Level 2 and 3 amendments:
 - Mitigates safety issues
 - Improves traffic conditions through management and reliability
 - Project Readiness
 - Supports Wasatch Choice for 2050



Amendment #5 Overview

- 8 total requests for approximately \$194 million
- Projects seeking Weber County Sales Tax Funding
 - Three projects. (~\$5.5 million)
- Funding source unknown
 - One UTA and UDOT sponsored project. (~\$34.5 million)
 - One Salt Lake County project. (~\$100 million)
- Utah State Correctional Facility Funding
 - Two projects to serve the new Utah State prison. (~\$30 million)
- Partially funded and seeking STP funds
 - One municipality/UDOT project. (~\$24 million)



1100 North – Harrisville City

Request: Harrisville City

4 out of 10 Safety Index

Level of Request: 2

Vehicle Hours Traveled 106 hr added per day

Scope:

Benefits:

and/or Connectivity

1100 North from 140 West to 140 East

New construction - Phase 1

Links Highway 89 to Washington Blvd.

Three-lane facility

Project Readiness

Technical Considerations:

Corridor preserved and

preliminary engineering is

underway

Provides a link between two arterial streets and decreases the amount of traffic between residential neighborhoods

Support Wasatch Choice 2050

No identified centers

Provides access to Highway 89 on the west and Washington Boulevard on the east

Air Quality Conformity Analysis Not required

Cost: \$420,000

Funding Source: Potential Weber County 3rd **Quarter Sales Tax and Corridor Preservation**

funding

1100 North – Harrisville City



3600 West – Plain City

Request: Plain City

Level of Request: 2

Scope:

 Operational improvements on 3600 West from 2600 North to 1975 North

Phase 1 project

Benefits:

 Provides for added shoulders and a consistent cross-section

Safety improvements

Improved access for adjoining properties

 Center turn lane at intersections for improved mobility

Cost: \$3.5 million

Funding Source: Potential Weber County 3rd

Quarter Sales Tax

Technical Considerations:

Safety Index 1.5 out of 10

<u>Vehicle Hours Traveled</u> and/or Connectivity

3 hrs reduced per day

Connects two minor east/west arterials

<u>Project Readiness</u> Corridor preserved and

preliminary engineering is

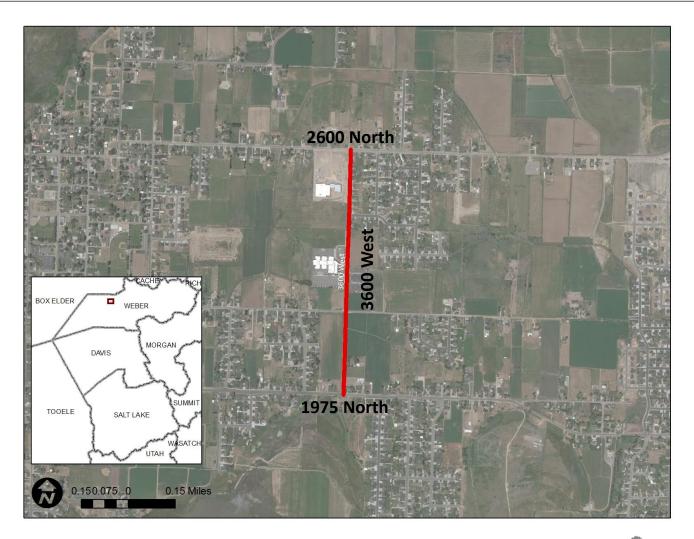
underway

<u>Support Wasatch Choice 2050</u> No identified centers

Air Quality Conformity Analysis None required



3600 West – Plain City



Depot Drive – Weber County

Request: Weber County

Safety Index 1.5 out of 10

Level of Request: 2

Safety fildex 1.3 out of 10

Scope:

<u>Vehicle Hours Traveled</u> and/or Connectivity

Technical Considerations:

Provides connection to employment center

 Extension of Depot Drive from 12th Street to Weber County Sheriff's Complex and Jail.

Project Readiness

Corridor preserved and preliminary engineering is

underway

N/A

Benefits:

Provides connection to the Weber Area
Justice Multi-Use Facility

New construction – Phase 1

Project will redesign the intersection of 12th
 Street (SR-39) and Depot Road

Widening will incorporate a deceleration lane

Support Wasatch Choice 2050

No identified centers

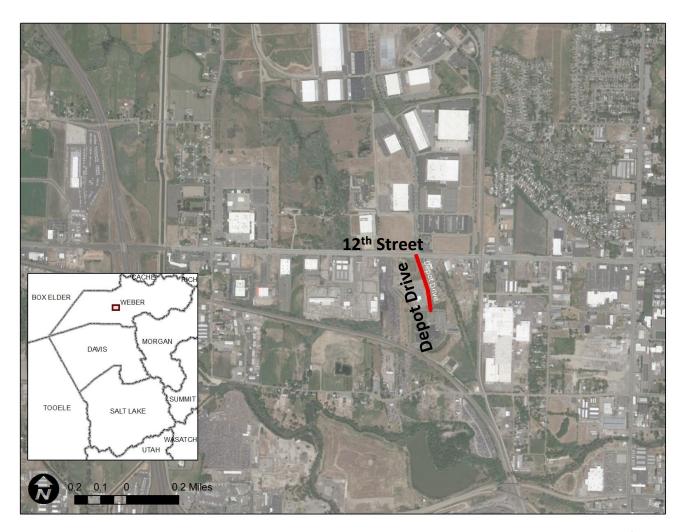
Air Quality Conformity Analysis None required

Cost: \$1.6 million

Funding Source: Potential Weber County 3rd

Quarter Sales Tax

Depot Drive – Weber County



5600 West Transit – Utah Transit Authority

Request: Utah Transit Authority

Technical Considerations: Bus Accidents

2 minor incidence on Flex Rt

Level of Request: 3

First Last Mile Connections

15 east-west connections at major intersections and an

existing striped bicycle lane

on portions

Scope:

Amendment need for EA update

• Replace Phase 1 BRT on 5600 West from 6200

South to 2700 South with Phase 1 Express Bus/Core Route on 5600 West from Old Bingham LRT Station to the International

Center, Salt Lake International Airport, and

downtown SLC

<u>Project Readiness</u> Updated EA

Support Wasatch Choice 2050

Boulevard Community

Estimated Cost: \$34.5 million total

\$22.6 million for roadside

improvements

\$11.9 million for buses

\$ 6.7 million for operating costs

Connections to Strategic Clusters Manufacturing IT, Software,

Finance, and Aerospace

Job and Education Access (ATO)

Existing Ridership I

Projected Ridership

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	N/A	

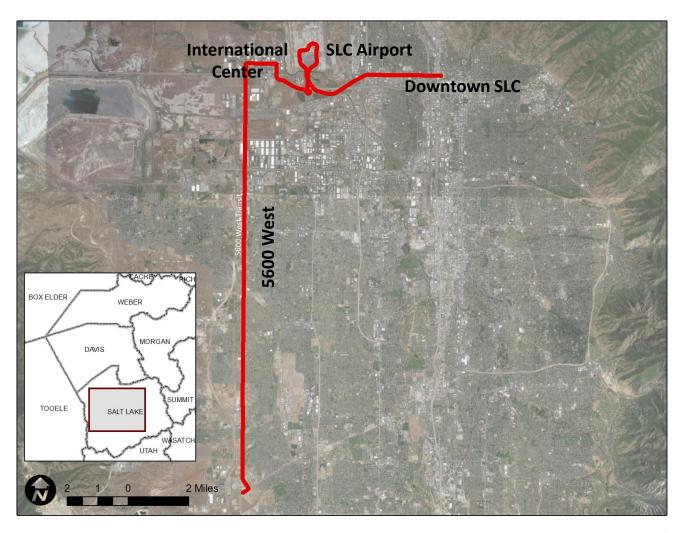
From	to 2700 South	to Airport	to Airport & Downtown
6200 South	200-300	600-900	1,600-3,200
Old Bingham	500-700	1,100-1,500	2,200-3,900

Funding Source: Unknown

<u>Serves Vulnerable Community</u> Air Quality Conformity Analysis

Yes Yes

5600 Transit – Utah Transit Authority



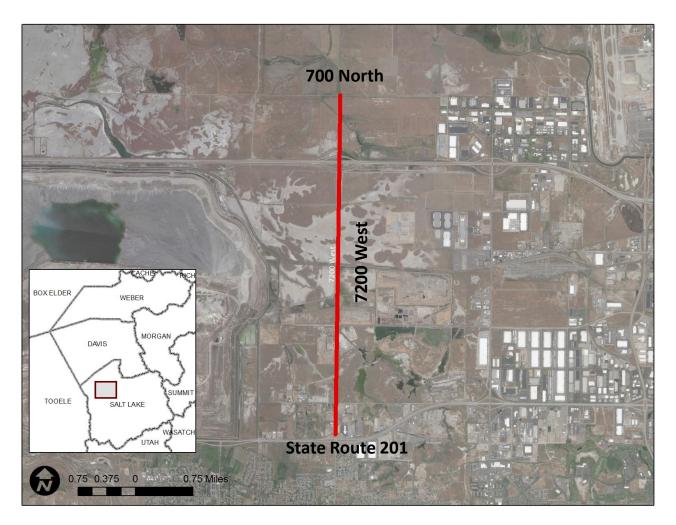
Funding Source: Unknown

Request: Salt Lake County **Technical Considerations:** 2 out of 10 Safety Index **Level of Request: 2** Vehicle Hours Traveled 1104 hrs added per day and/or Connectivity Scope: New construction of 7200 West from 700 Connectivity to the Northwest Quadrant North to SR-201 Three-lane facility with preservation of ROW for future five-lane facility Corridor preserved but **Project Readiness** preliminary engineering Phase 2 project has not been completed **Benefits:** Provides access to the new Utah State **Correctional Facility** Support Wasatch Choice 2050 Connection to job centers - Utah State Prison site Cost: \$100 million (refined cost from upcoming and International Center study)

Air Quality Conformity Analysis



None required



Request: Salt Lake County **Technical Considerations:**

Safety Index 2 out of 10

Level of Request: 2

Vehicle Hours Traveled N/A

Scope: and/or Connectivity

Benefits: Provides one of two accesses to the

Funding Source: Utah State Correctional

New construction of 8000 West from 1400 Connectivity to the North to the northern I-80 Frontage Road Northwest Quadrant

Phase 1 project
Project Readiness Corridor preserved but

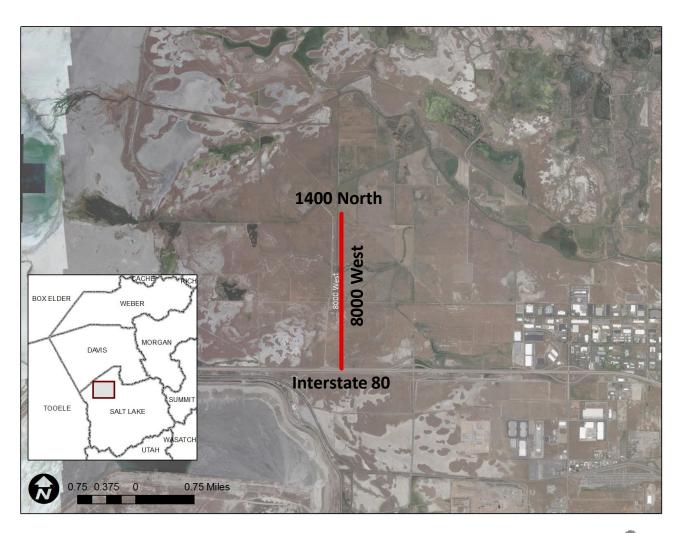
preliminary engineering

new Utah State Correctional Facility has not been completed

Cost: \$15 million Support Wasatch Choice 2050 Connection to job center

Utah State Prison site

Facility funding Air Quality Conformity Analysis None Required



700 N, 7200 W,1400 N – Salt Lake County

Request: Salt Lake County

Safety Index 2 out of 10

Level of Request: 2

<u>Vehicle Hours Traveled</u> 135 hrs added per day

and/or Connectivity

Technical Considerations:

New construction of 700 North from 5600
 West to 7200 West

Connectivity to the Northwest Quadrant

New construction of 7200 West from 700
 North to 1400 North

<u>Project Readiness</u> Corridor preserved but

New construction of 1400 North from 7200 West to 8000 West preliminary engineering has not been completed

Phase 1 projectThree-lane facility

State Correctional Facility

Support Wasatch Choice 2050 Connection to job center

Utah State Prison site

Benefits:

Scope:

• Provides one of two accesses to the new Utah <u>Air Quality Conformity Analysis</u> None required

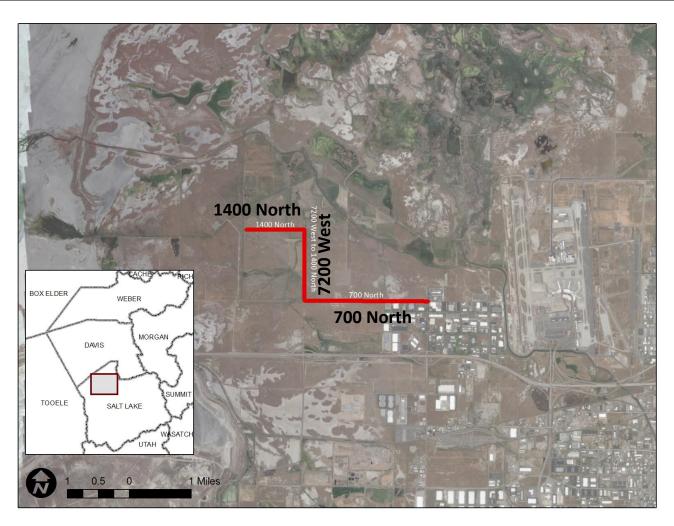
Cost: \$15million

Funding Source: Utah State Correctional Facility

funding



700 N, 7200 W,1400 N - Salt Lake County



Wasatch Boulevard – Cottonwood Heights

Request: Cottonwood Heights

Safety Index

Technical Considerations:

4.5 out of 10

Level of Request: 3

Vehicle Hours Traveled

and/or Connectivity

2 hrs increased per day

Scope:

Change from Phase 2 to Phase 1

 Widening of Wasatch Blvd. from Bengal Blvd. to 9600 South from 2 to 4 lanes Connection between

canyon resorts

Project Readiness

Updated Environmental

Assessment

Benefits:

More efficient local traffic circulation

Major connection between Big and Little

Cottonwood ski resorts

 Increased access to both Knudsen Corner development and proposed new develop at the gravel pit.

Total Cost: \$24 million

Funding Source: Existing funds and potential

STP Funds

Support Wasatch Choice 2050 Connects Gravel Pit Town

Center

<u>Connections to Clusters</u> IT, Software, and Finance

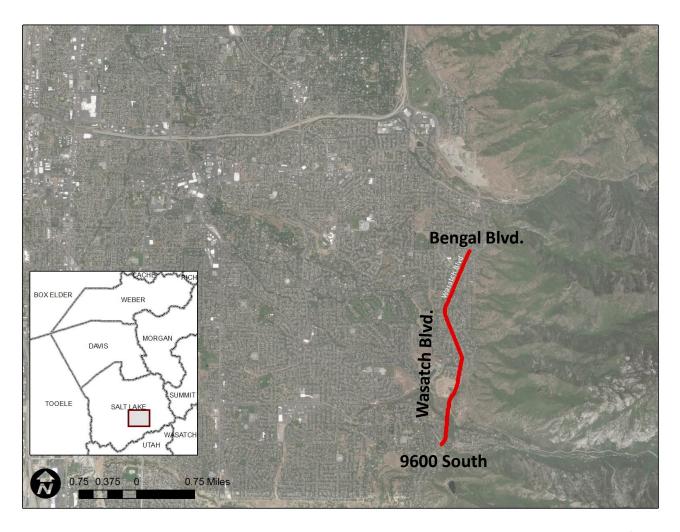
Job and Education Access (ATO) Knudsen Corner

<u>Supports Multimodal</u> Existing bike route and Transportation Choices future enhanced bus

Impacts Vulnerable Community No

Air Quality Conformity Analysis Yes

Wasatch Boulevard – Cottonwood Heights



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POINT OF THE MOUNTAIN DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION

Prepared by Envision Utah

Purposes of the Effort (HB 318)

- Maximizing job creation
- Ensuring a high <u>quality of life</u> for residents in and surrounding the project area
- Strategic residential and commercial growth
- Preservation of natural lands and expansion of <u>recreational</u> <u>opportunities</u>
- Provision of a <u>variety of community and housing types</u> that match workforce needs
- Planning for future <u>transportation infrastructure</u> and other investments to enhance mobility and protect the environment

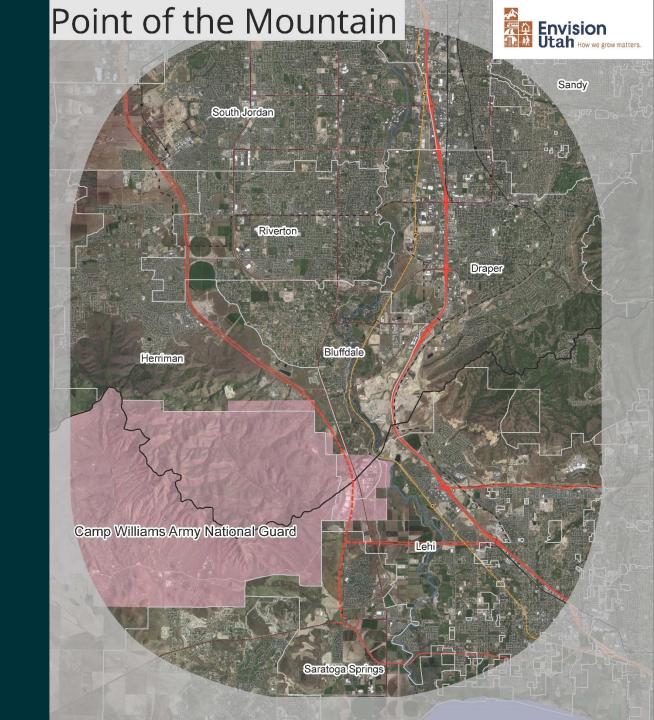
Small Advisory Groups

- Convened by the Commission to help frame scenarios and final vision as they relate to specific topic areas
 - Environment, Recreation, and Entertainment
 - Education, Workforce Development, and Technology
 - Transportation, Infrastructure, and Air Quality
 - Housing, Commercial Development, and Air Quality
 - Economics and Finance

The Study Area

Includes:

- Bluffdale
- South Jordan
- Riverton
- Herriman
- Draper
- Lehi
- Saratoga Springs
- Sandy
- Salt Lake County
- Utah County
- State



Phase 1

Listening & Research

Phase 2

Scenarios

Phase 3

Financing

COMPLETED

Now **♥** Baseline

Fall • Alternatives

Winter • Preferred

NEXT YEAR

Key Findings: Transportation & Infrastructure

Transportation & Infrastructure Finding #1:

Transportation is viewed as the <u>biggest</u> <u>challenge</u>.

Top Perceived Challenges

Public Input

Stakeholder Input

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Congestion	87	Transportation congestion	46
Lack of corridors/additional roads/connections	22	Funding (transportation)	29
Preserving recreation/open space	20	Land use coordination between markets, developers, cities, public	21
Managing/directing growth	13	Air quality	19
Preserving beauty of the area	12	Protecting the feel of the area, preserving open space	19
Inversion/air quality	10	Water supply & distribution	15

Results from first online public survey (339 open-ended responses)

Results from December stakeholder kickoff (stakeholders brainstormed issues, voted with stickers)

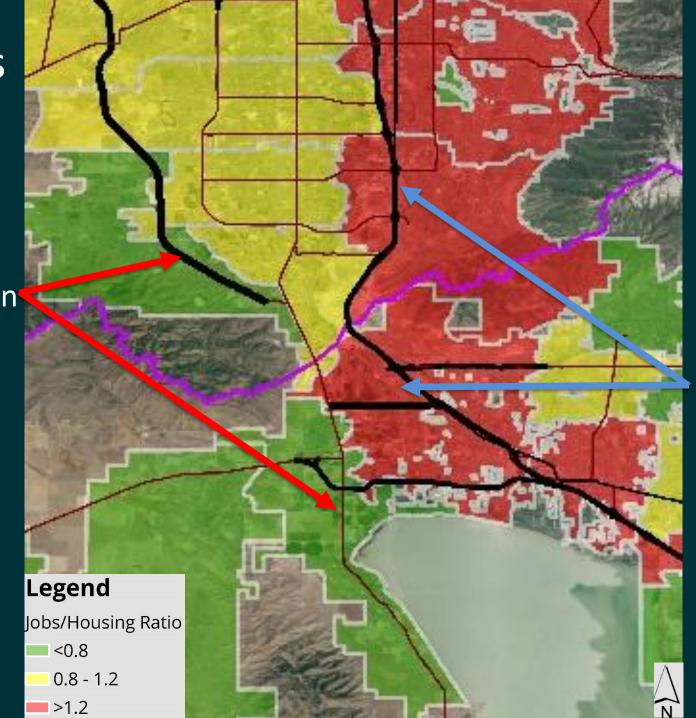
Transportation & Infrastructure Finding #2:

Infrastructure investment decisions should take into account the impact on economic growth.

Example: When is Mountain View completed?

Housing is rapidly locating in western SLCo and UTCo

Lack of jobs/housing balance creates eastwest traffic congestion.

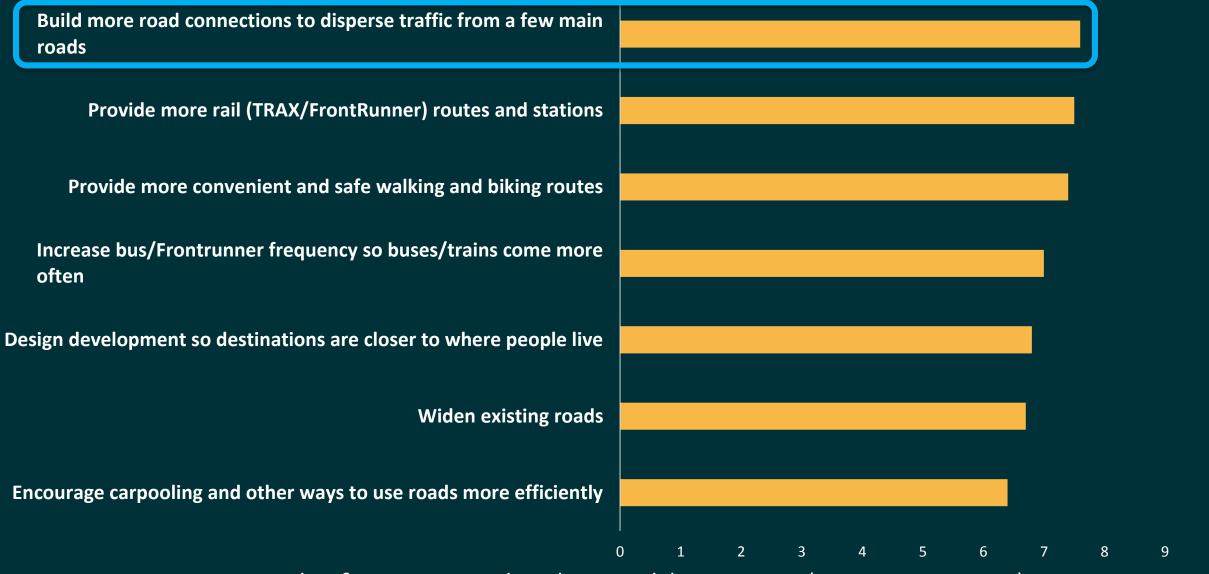


However,
jobs will
continue to
locate
near/around
I-15

Transportation & Infrastructure Finding #3:

Utahns and transportation experts place high priority on a <u>connected</u> street network.

How important are these transportation solutions?



Results from second online public survey (616 responses)

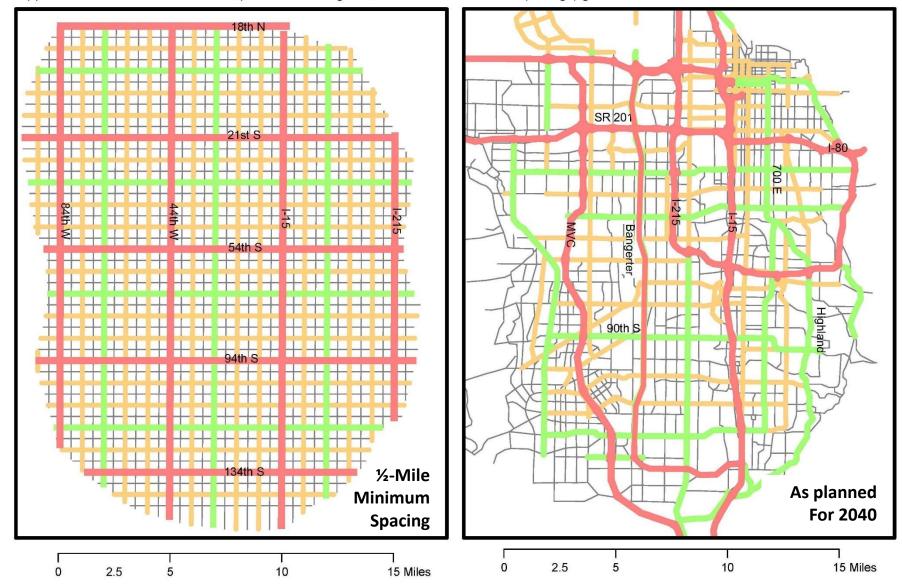
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ITE Ideal Spacing vs. SL County Actual

Freeways 5-miles (pink)
Arterials 1-mile (green, orange)
Collectors ½ mile (grey)

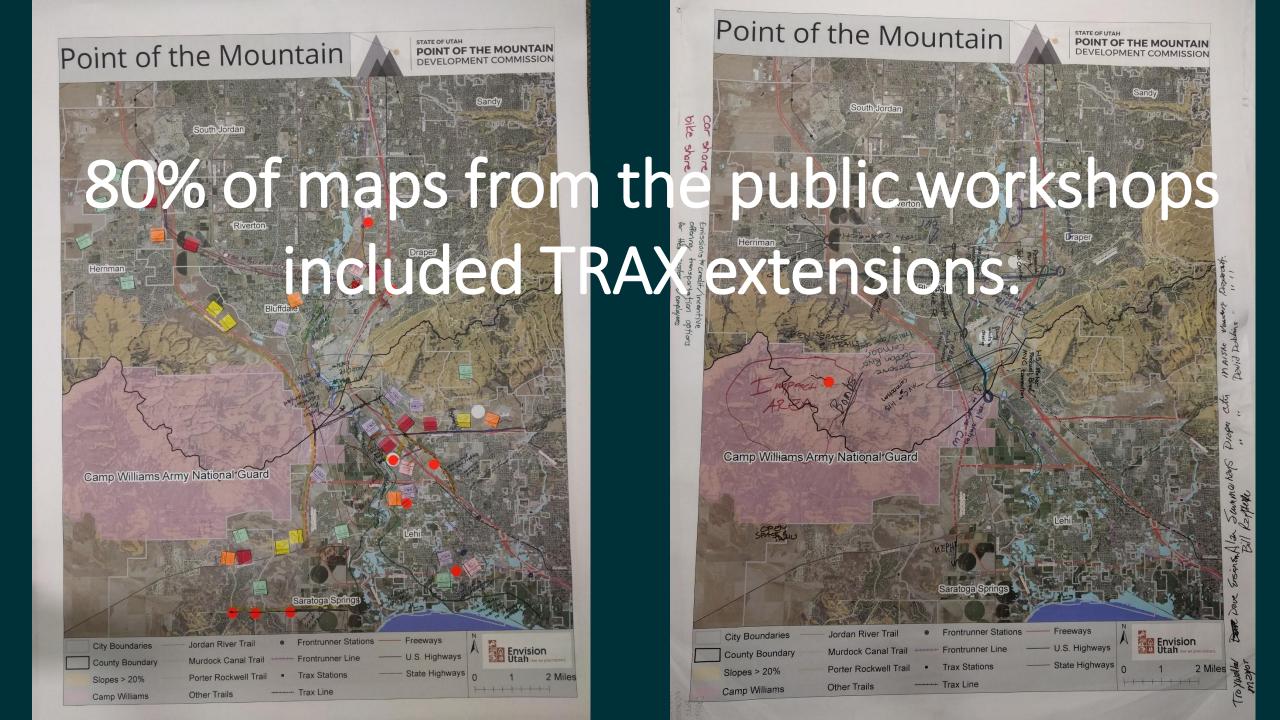


Applied as recommended in ITE's Transportation Planning Handbook, 1st Edition, 2.2.3.5 Spacing, pg 37

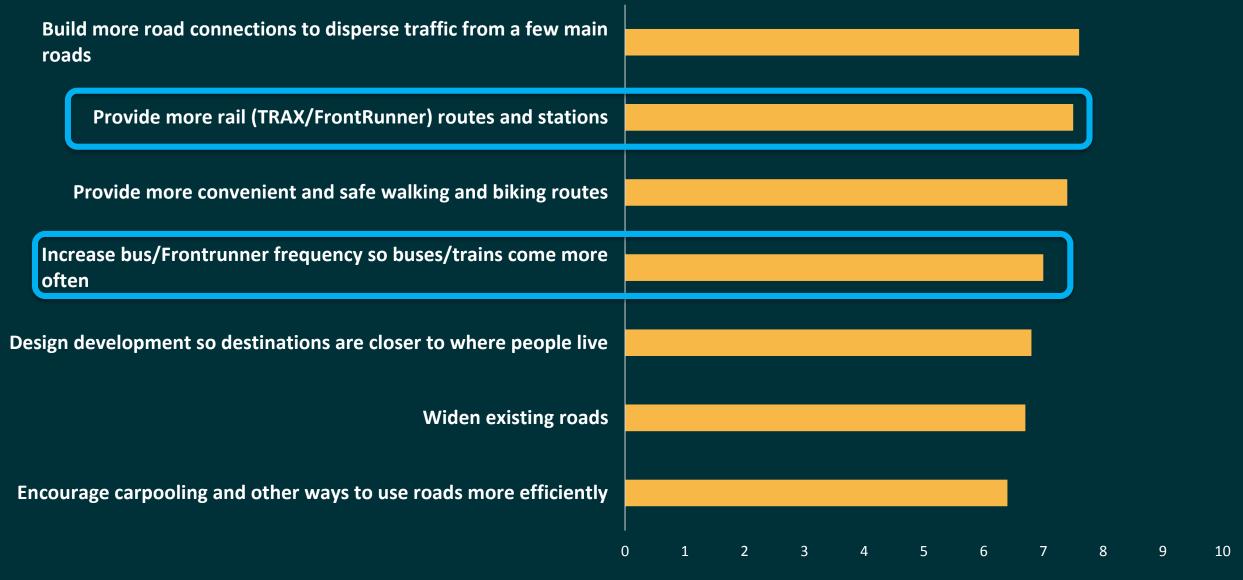


Transportation & Infrastructure Finding #4:

Utahns and employers want greatly expanded public transportation.



How important are these transportation solutions?



Results from second online public survey (616 responses)

Scenarios

Phase 1

Listening & Research

Phase 2

Scenarios

Phase 3

Financing

COMPLETED

Now • Baseline

Fall Alternatives

Winter • Preferred

NEXT YEAR

Stakeholder/Expert Involvement

Experts in Key Fields:

- Cities and counties
- Transportation agencies
- Market demand experts
- Land use experts
- Universities
- Major landowners
- Developers
- Governor's Office
- Legislature
- Environmental experts
- Special interest groups like paragliders
- And more



The Specifics of Transportation Scenarios Were Developed Alongside:

- WFRC
- MAG
- UTA
- UDOT
- Fehr & Peers
- WSP/Parsons Brinckerhoff

Transportation Scenarios

SCENARIO	THEME	
A	Regional Transportation Plan without Transit	
В	Regional Transportation Plan	
С	Regional Transportation Plan + Additional Road Investments	
D	Regional Transportation Plan + Additional Road and Transit Investments	

Scenario A: RTP Scenario w/o Transit

Theme:

 Assumes the RTP is built, but does not assume funding for most unfunded projects. A few key road projects were added.

Roads:

- New projects include (see map on next slide):
 - MVC Extension
 - Porter Rockwell Blvd. Completed
 - I-15 Widening

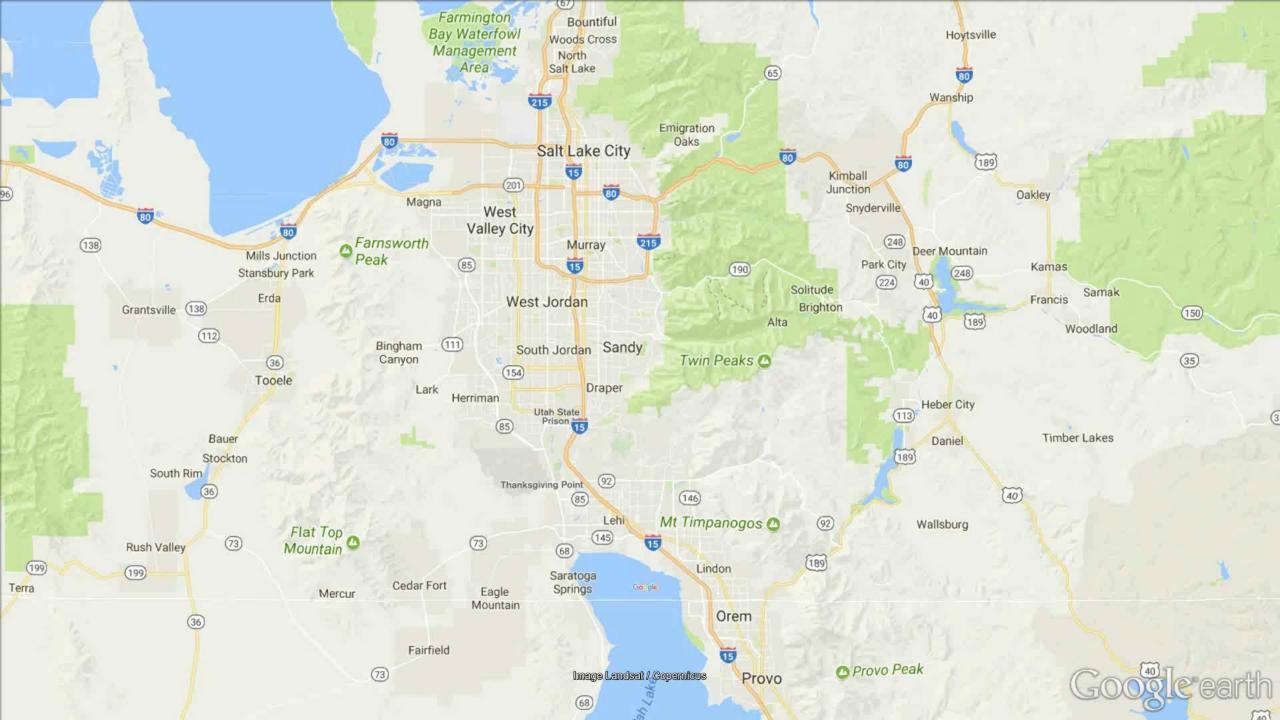
Transit

No new transit projects.

Assumptions

- Development patterns and housing mix similar to recent past (post-recession).
- Transportation infrastructure according to current funded plans, plus a few strategic projects.
- Buildings to current energy codes.
- Utah's workforce in software, programming, etc. grows with population.
- Parks and trails according to current plans and funding sources.

(All data is preliminary and may change as models and scenarios are refined.)



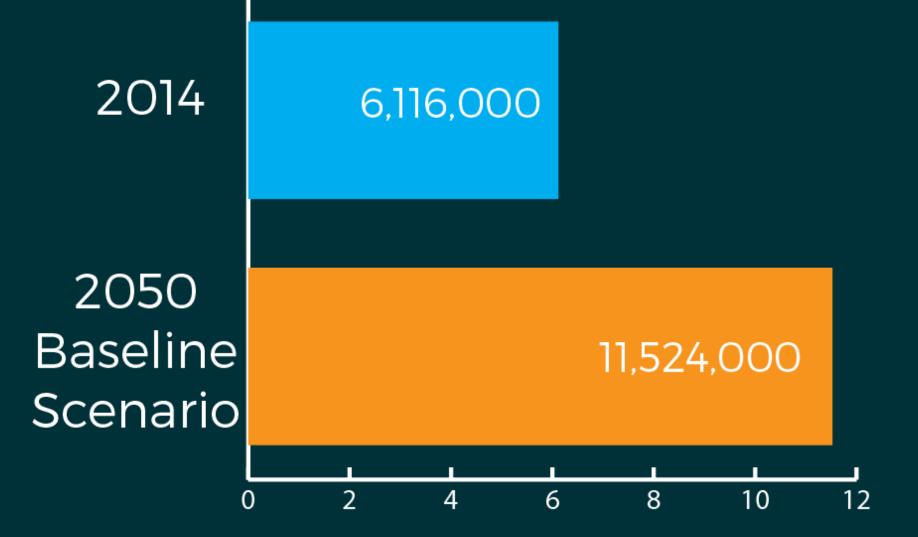






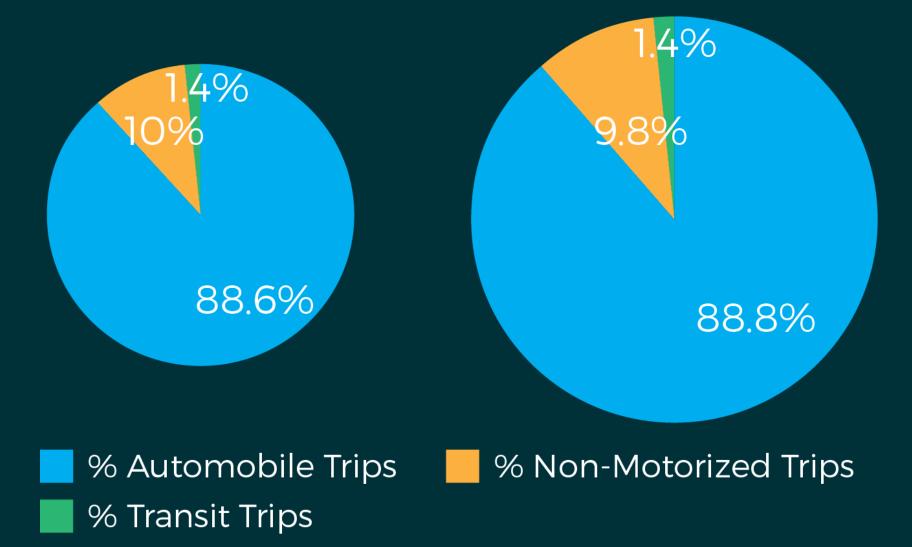


Vehicle Miles Traveled in the Study Area



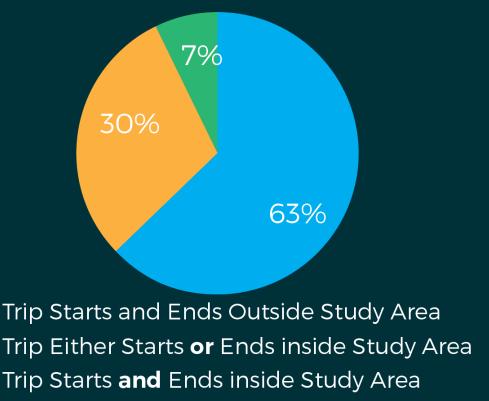
Mode Share

2014 2050 Baseline Scenario

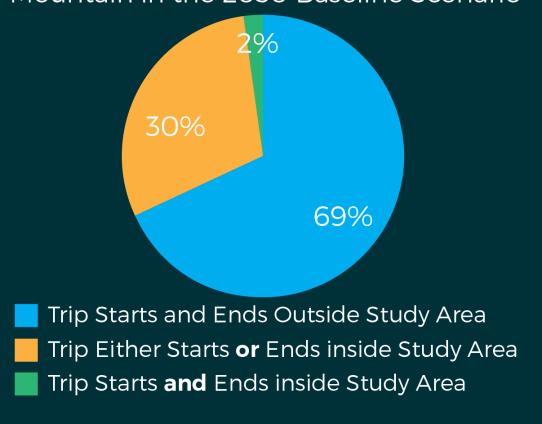


Pass-Through Traffic

Types of Trips that Use I-15 at the Point of the Mountain in 2014



Types of Trips that Use I-15 at the Point of the Mountain in the 2050 Baseline Scenario

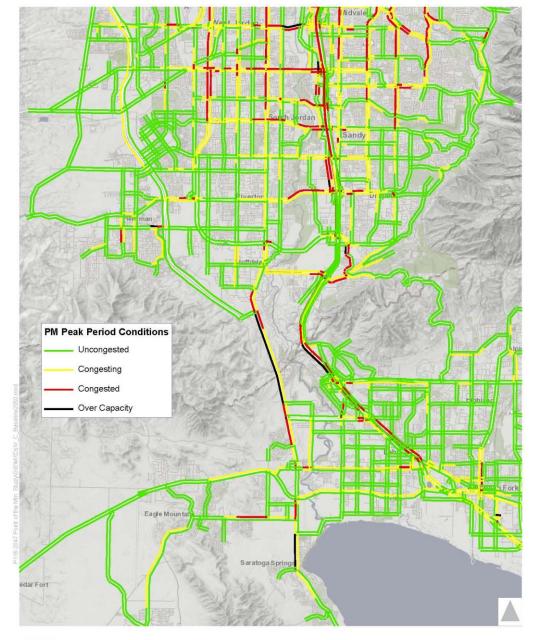


District to District Travel (Trips that Originate in the Study Area)

% Go to Salt Lake Co.

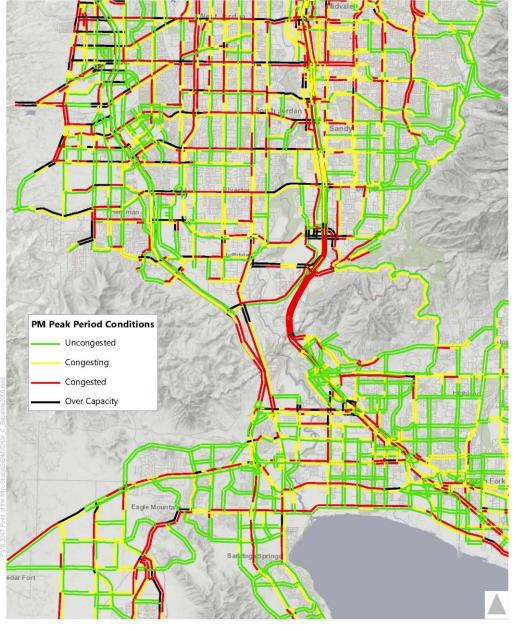
2014 Travel 2050 Baseline Travel 9% 9% 29% 60% 68% % Stay in Study Area Go to Utah County Go to Davis or Weber

Go to Salt Lake CBD











Volume to Capacity - Baseline POM (2050)

Air Quality

Automobile emissions in the study area decrease by 3.4 tons per day.

Estimated Automobile Emissions

Scenario	NOx	PM2.5	SO2	VOC
2014	6.43	0.25	0.03	0.43
Baseline	3.40	0.08	0.04	0.17

Air Quality

BUT emissions from new buildings add 3 tons per day in 2050.

	New Buildings	Tons NOx/day
Single Family	48,483	1.86
Townhomes/Condos	4,695	0.31
Apartment	998	0.49
Suburban Office	121	0.10
Retail	652	0.21
Industrial	32	0.02
Total	54,981	2.98

All buildings built to code with ultra low-NOx water heaters.

Phase 1

Listening & Research

Phase 2

Scenarios

Phase 3

Financing

COMPLETED

Now **♥** Baseline

Fall • Alternatives

Winter • Preferred

NEXT YEAR



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