



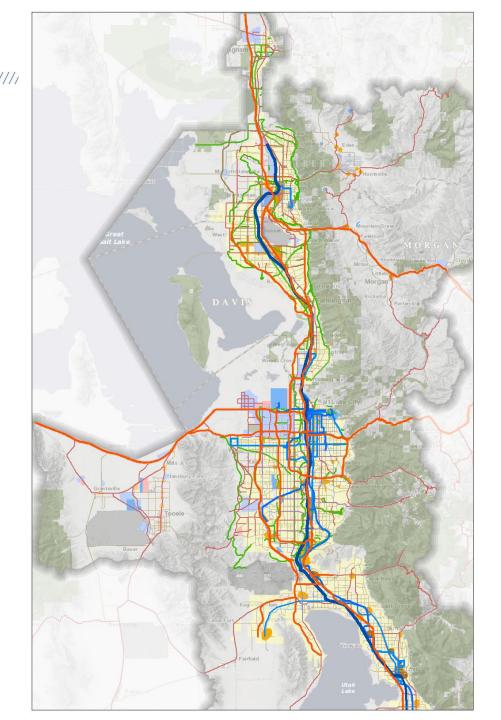
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# Better outcomes by working together

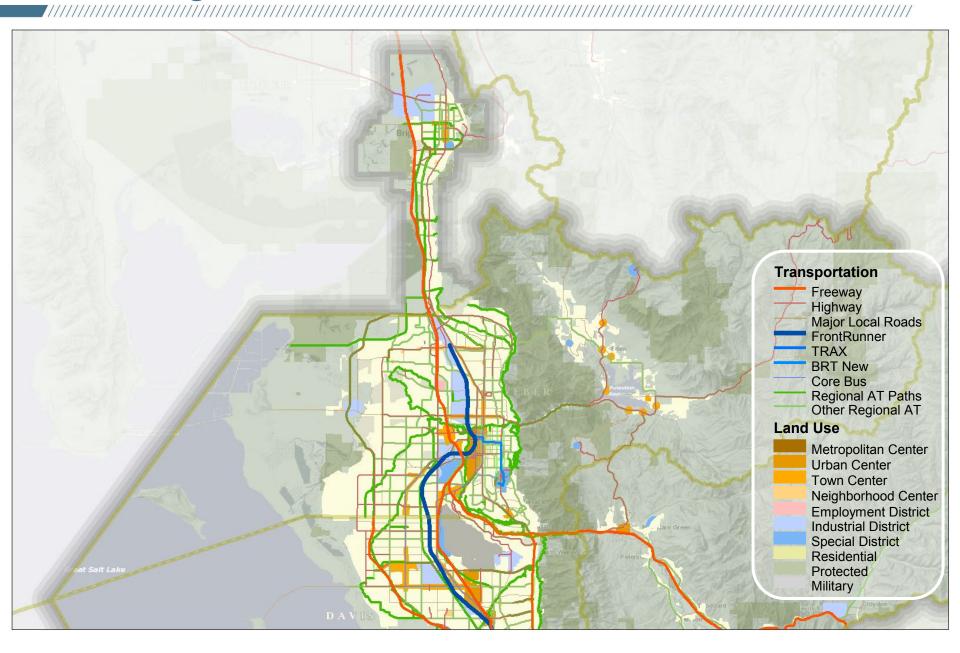




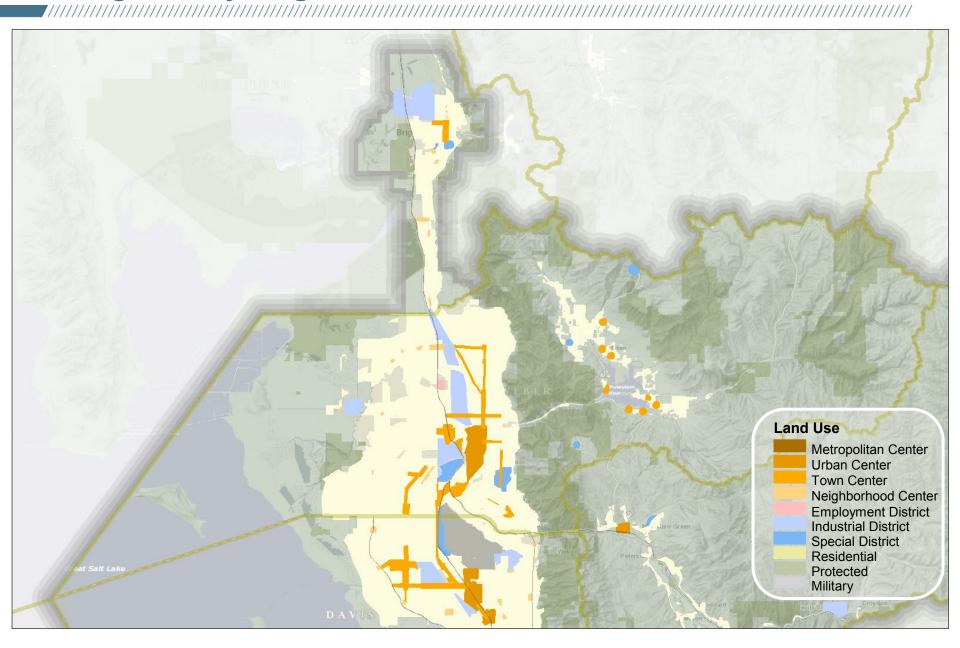




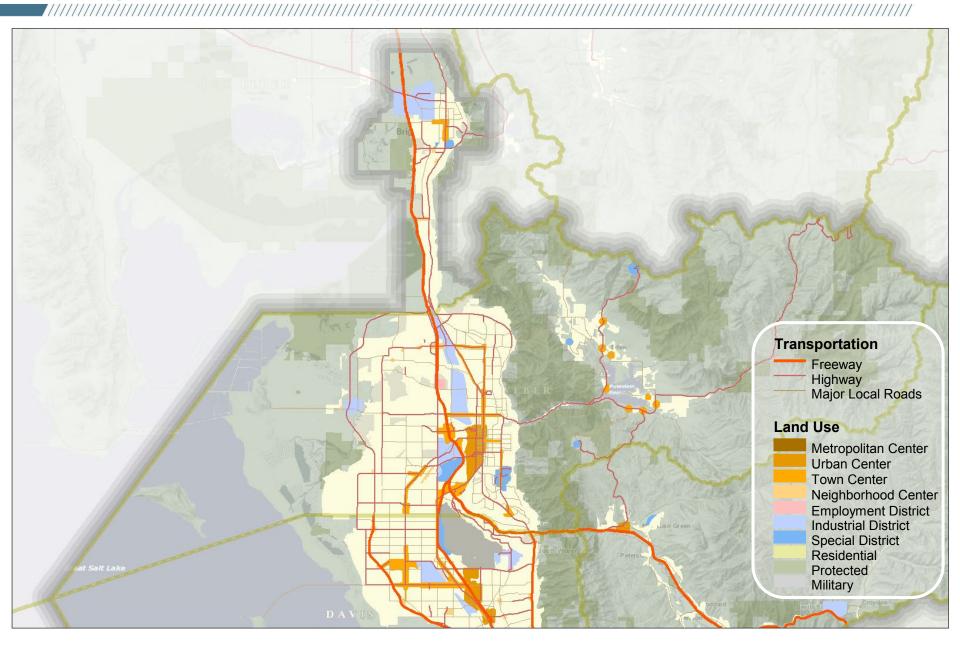
# Where growth occurs matters



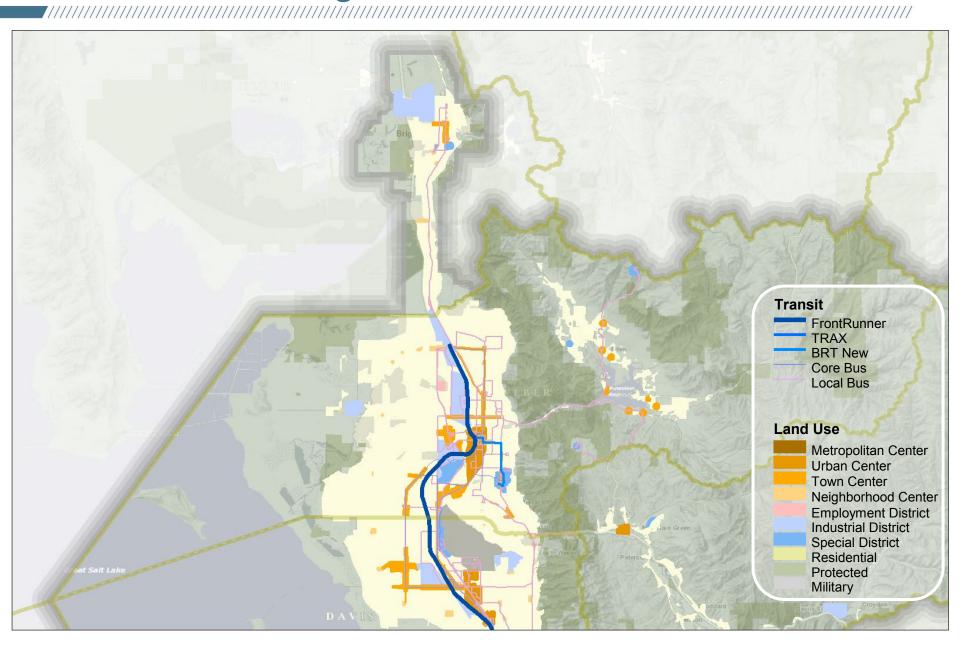
# Regionally Significant Centers and Districts



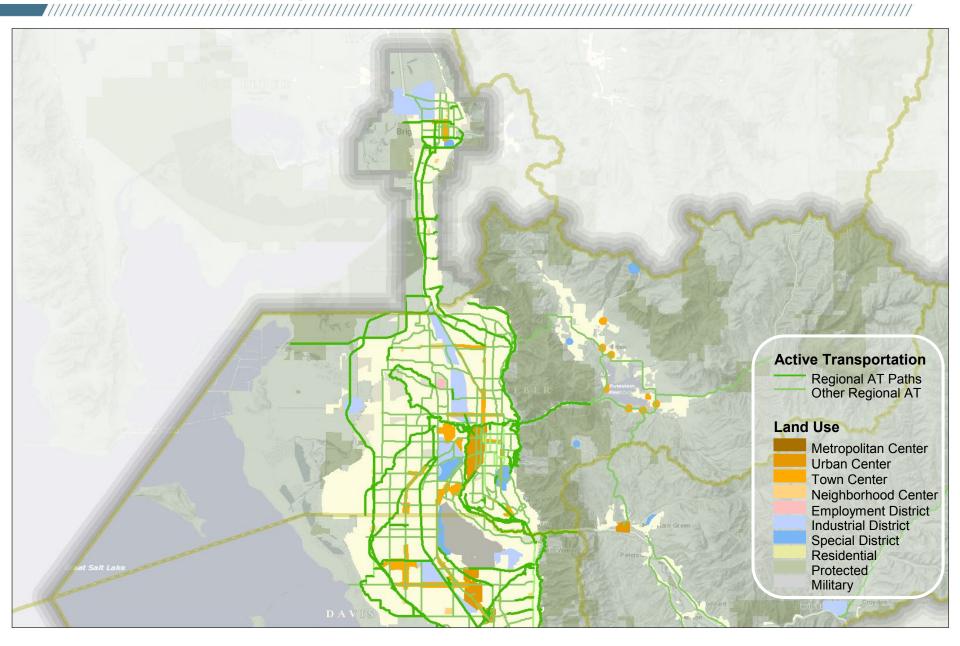
# Regional Roadway Network



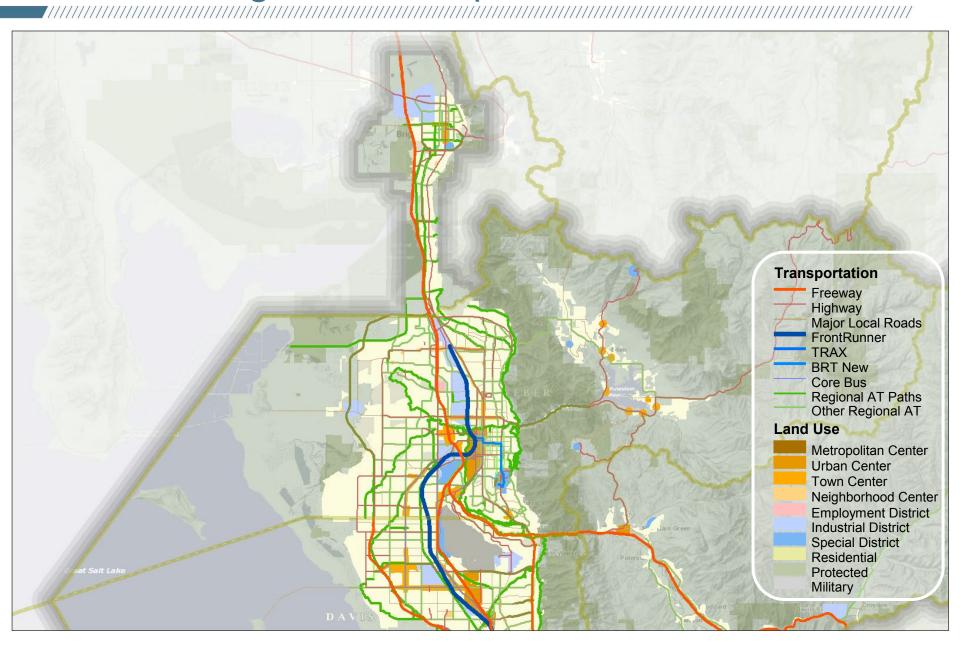
# FrontRunner, Light Rail, BRT, Core Bus



# Regionally Significant Active Transportation



# RTP = Integrated Transportation & Land Use



## Wasatch Choice 2050 Goals









ity Economy

Manageable Traffic

Choices









Affordable

Clean Air

Parks and Recreation





Fiscal Responsibility





## **Process**



# The Regional Transportation Plan

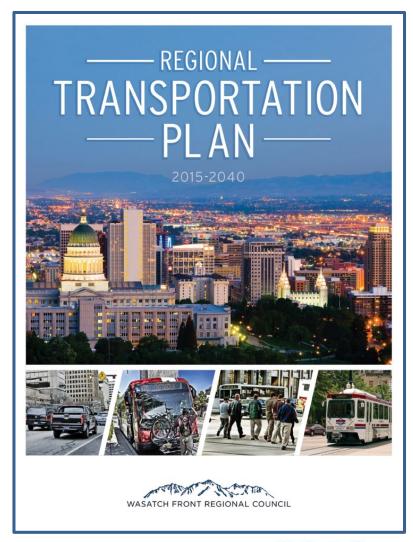
- » Roads, transit, bike lanes, and trails
- » Updated every four years
- » Uses forecasts of future travel behavior
- » Financially constrained
- » Ensures air quality conformity

» Phase 1: 2019-2030

» Phase 2: 2031-2040

» Phase 3: 2041-2050

» Unfunded





# **Phasing Outreach**

## Seven Phasing Workshops

- » 260 Elected officials and staff
- » 56 Partners
- » 309 Comments

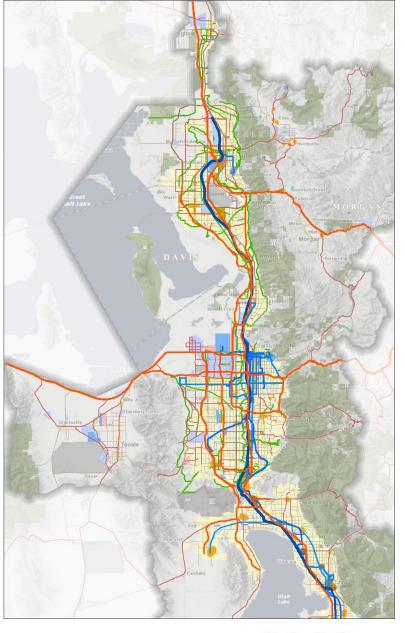
#### Interactive Map

- » 503 Unique users / 1,129 Unique page views
- » 145 Comments

#### Stakeholder Meetings

- » UBET
- » Rio Tinto
- » LDS Church Land Holding Groups

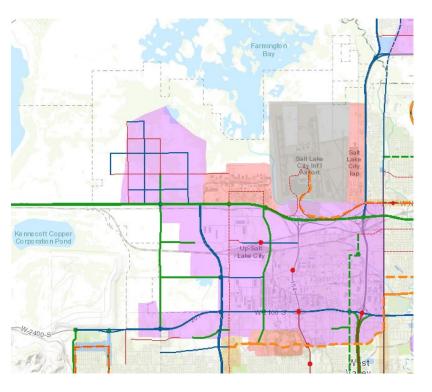
Local Community Follow-up





# **Special Considerations**

## » Inland Port



#### » Point of the Mountain





# Next Steps

#### Today's Meeting

- » Recap of workshops & public comment period
- » Final public comment period

#### March Meeting

- » Report back on final comment periods
- » Overview of website and document

## May Meeting

» Recommendation for adoption of the RTP

## **August Meeting**

- » Broader Wasatch Choice strategies
- » Approach to monitoring progress









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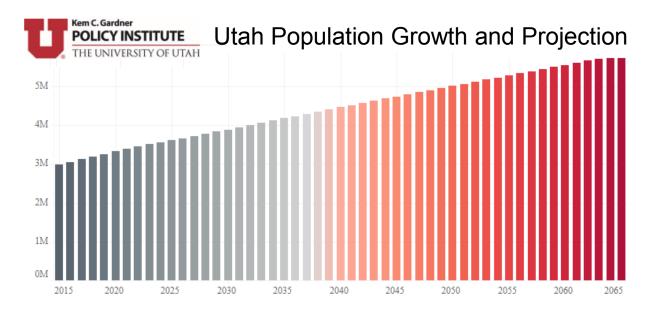
## **TLC Appropriation**

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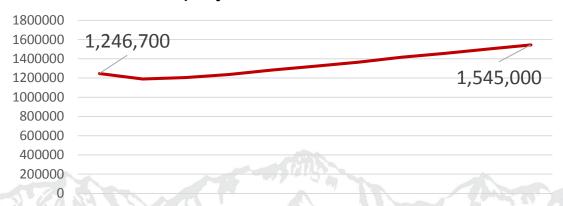
**JANUARY 17th**, 2019

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# Population and Job Growth in Utah



## Utah Employment Growth, Past Decade



2008 2009 2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018

# **Growth Challenges**

# Gardner Business Review

Applied economic analysis by the **David Eccles School of Business** 

Since 2010, Utah has led the country in employment and demographic growth. This growth has produced exceptionally strong demand for housing, which in turn has put upward pressure on housing prices.

What Rapidly Rising Prices Mean for Housing Affordability

By James Wood, Dejan Eskic, and D.J. Benway



Powder Magazine



Salt Lake Tribune



The TLC program provides technical assistance to local communities to help them achieve their goals and plan for growth. The program helps communities implement changes to the built environment that reduce traffic on roads and enable more people to easily walk, bike, and use transit.



# **TLC Projects**





## **PLANS**



## **POLICIES**



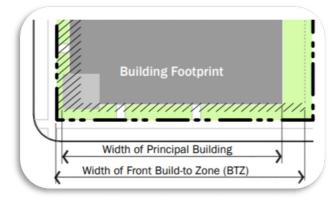
## **PRODUCTS**

Visions
Community Engagement
Downtown Master Plans
Active Transportation

Zoning Ordinances
Design Standards
Transportation Priorities

Financing Options
Implementation Strategies
RDA Support



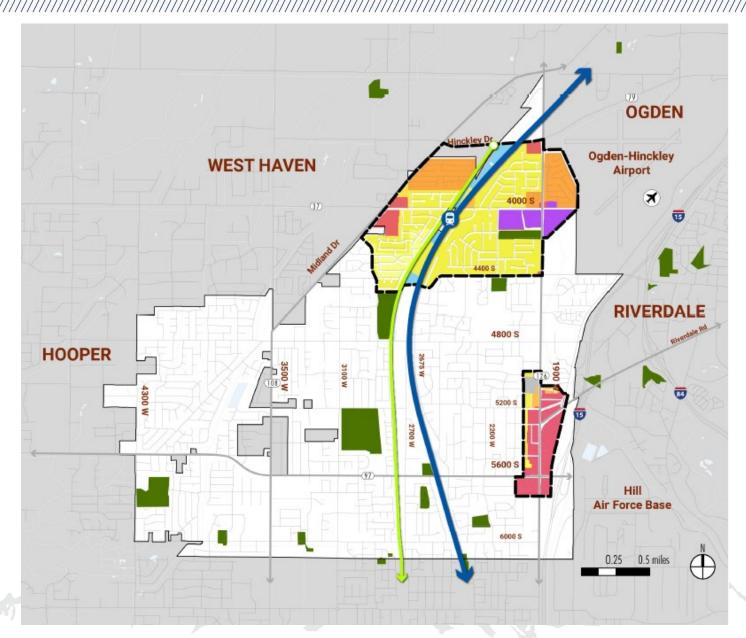




STUDIES AND ANALYSES (Parking, Market, etc.)

# Plan → Policy: Roy City





# Policy → Product: South Salt Lake





New Residential Units: 2,676



The Zeller, Realtor

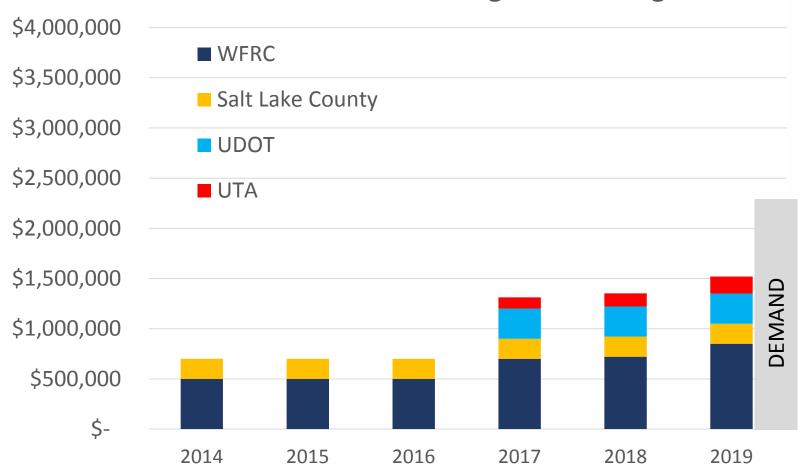


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# Program Partners & Growing Funds



## **Annual TLC Program Funding**





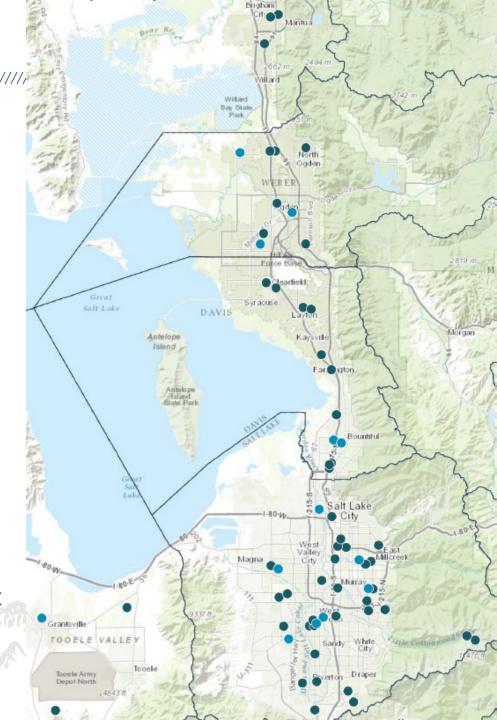






## **Additional Resources**

- Program demand has doubled!
- Maximize value of infrastructure investments, by helping communities coordinate local land use with transportation, as incentivized by SB136 (2018)
- Utilize innovative financing strategies, such as Transportation Reinvestment Zones (TRZs)
- Opportunity to provide more support to move toward the product phase



# **State Appropriation**



- \$2 Million ongoing statewide
- General Funds, through UDOT, MPOs and RPOs
- Infrastructure and General Government
   Appropriation Committee

## **Proponents**



















...and local governments throughout the region

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**UTA Service Choices Project** 

&

Service Planning Process





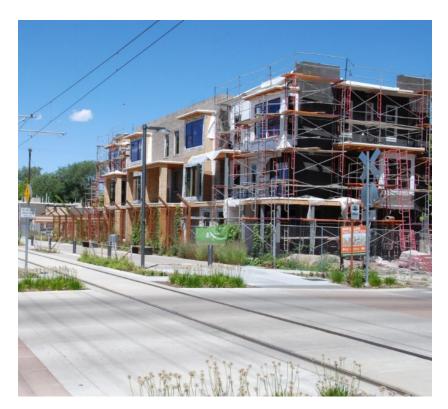






**Urban or Suburban?** 







**Economic Development** or **Access to Opportunity?** 



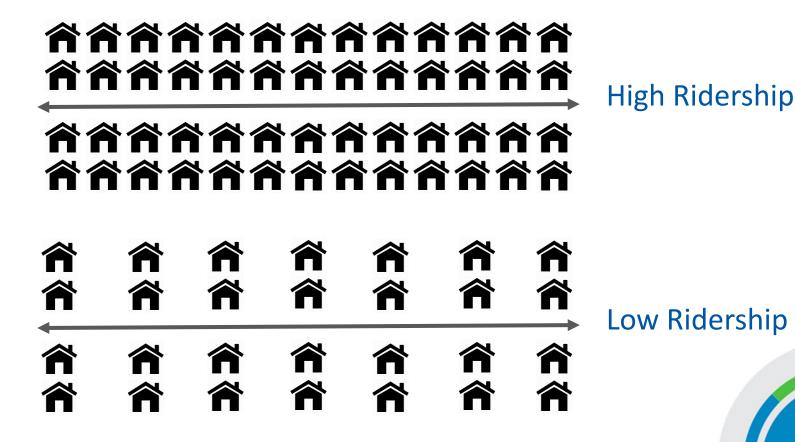




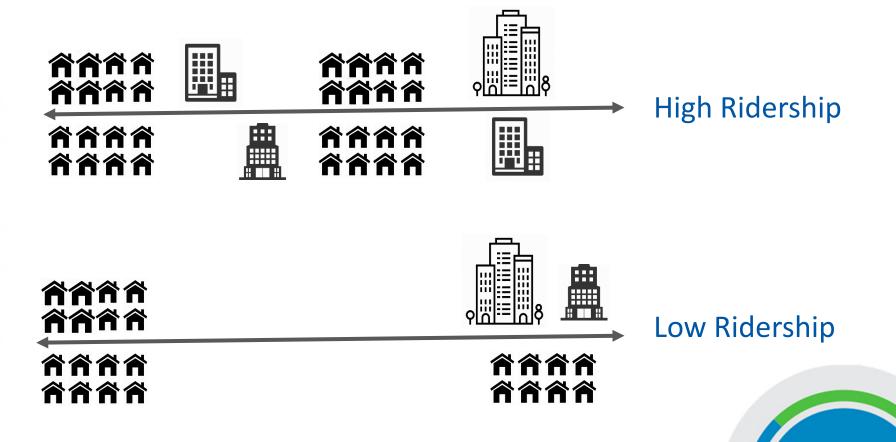
**Commuter Market or Local Circulation?** 



**How many people are near transit?** 

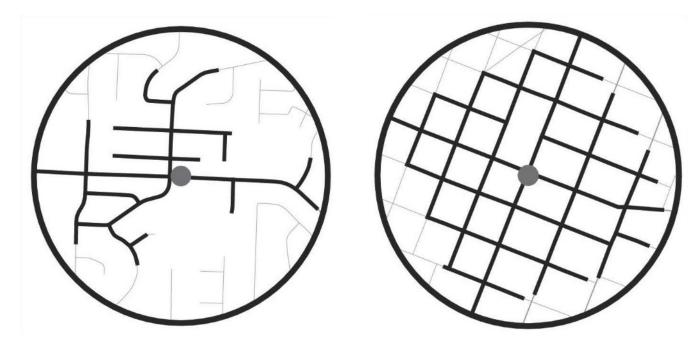


Are there long distances between destinations?



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How easily can people get to transit stops?

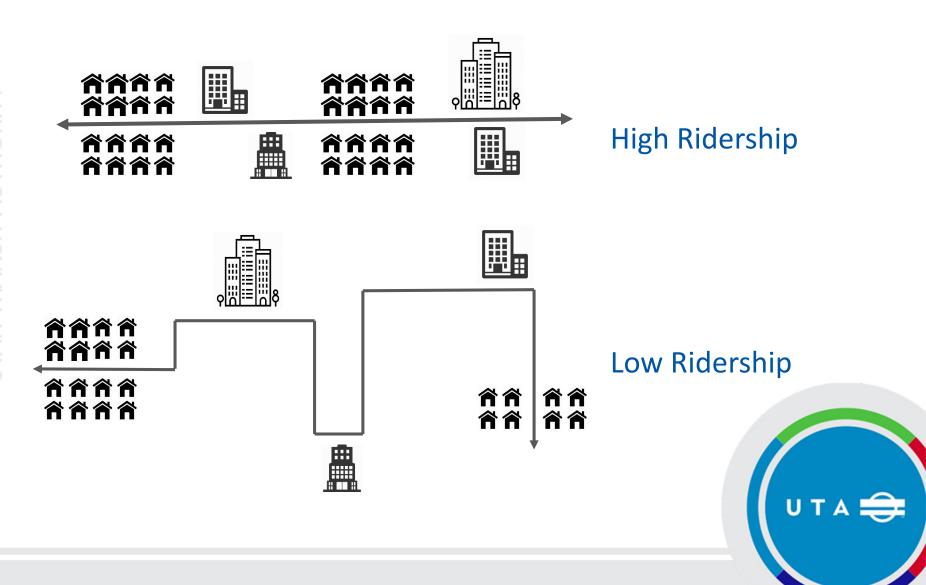


Low Ridership

High Ridership



**Can transit run in straight lines to attract through-riders?** 



# **Elements of a Successful Public Transit System**



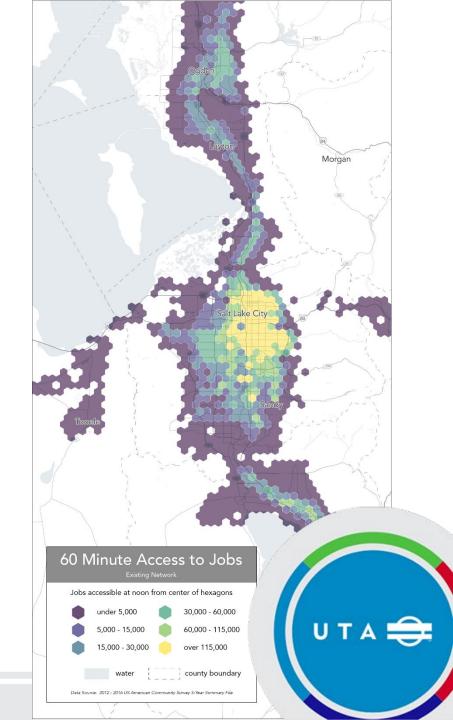
Two-thirds of transit planning is the role of local governments.



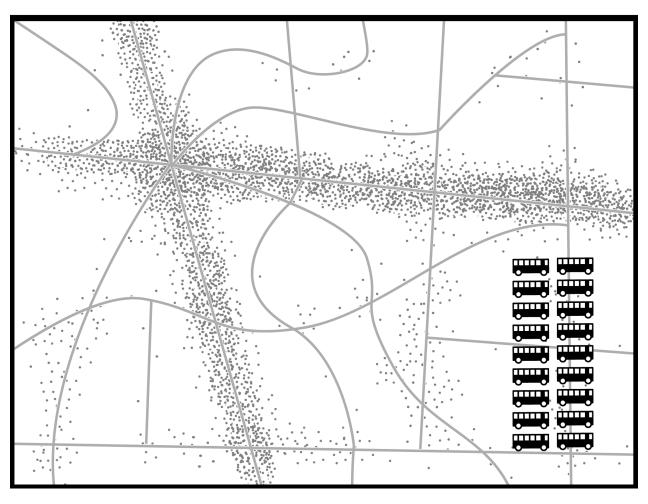
## **UTA Service Choices**

This community engagement and service planning process will:

- Ask the community to prioritize how service resources should be distributed
- Respond to local goals and objectives
- Result in data-driven annual work plans



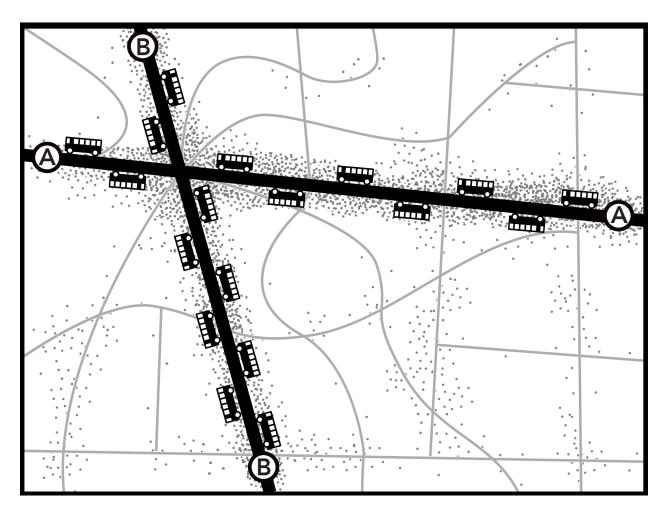
# **Different Goals, Different Service**



- This is a fictional town, with 18 buses to deploy
- Dots are residents or jobs.



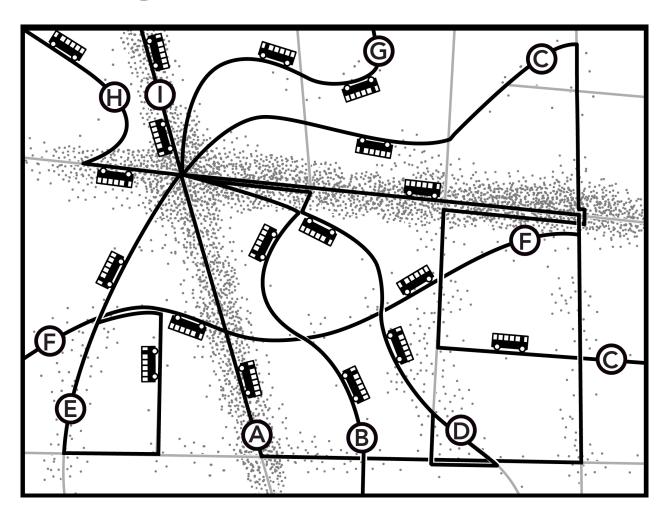
# **Ridership Goal**



Focusing solely on service that generates the most ridership at the least cost



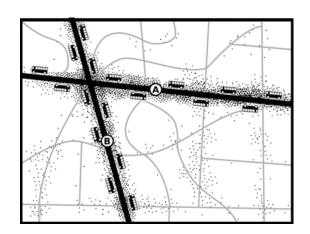
# **Coverage Goal**



Focused on ensuring access to the transit system is available to all residents of the town

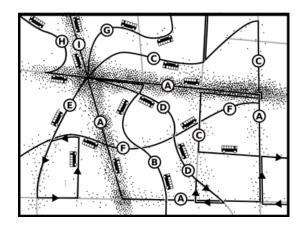


## Both goals are important, but they lead opposite directions!



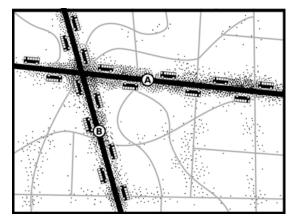
#### **Ridership Goal**

- "Think like a business."
- Focus where ridership potential is highest.
- Support dense and walkable development.
- Max. competition with cars
- Maximum VMT reduction



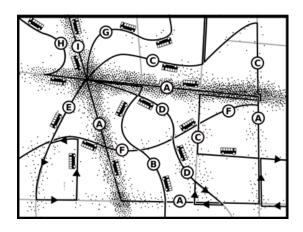
#### **Coverage Goal**

- "Think like a public service."
- "Access for all"
- Support low-density development.
- Lifeline access for everyone.
- Service to <u>every</u> member city or electoral district.



**Ridership Goal** 





**Coverage Goal** 



## **UTA Service Choices**

# **Community Engagement: February - April**

- Online Survey
- Community Open Houses
  - Cohosted by cities/counties
- 3 Community Leader Workshops
  - Universities
  - Businesses
  - Service Providers
  - Church Groups
  - Transit Advocacy Groups

