

# Policy/ legislative ideas to address growth

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Regional Growth Committee

Aug 18, 2021



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

# Current State efforts on growth:

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1.

Unified Economic  
Opportunity  
Commission

2.

Commission on Housing  
Affordability

Growth and  
Incentives  
Alignment  
Subcommittee



# Timeline:

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- August / September:
  - *General policy direction*
  - Joint ULCT / WFRC survey
  - UEOC growth/incentives, CHA
  - RGC / WFRC meetings
- October / November:
  - *Specific policy / legislative development*
  - Continued meetings and recommendations
- January - March:
  - *Legislative session*
  - Potential legislation, funding



# Objectives:

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Be proactive in addressing growth challenges

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Evaluate and develop policy ideas

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Pursue ideas that will have a positive impact





# WASATCH CHOICE

- 1** Provide transportation choices
- 2** Support housing options
- 3** Preserve open space
- 4** Link economic development with transportation and housing decisions



# Joint ULCT/ WFRC Survey Categories



Growth and housing affordability

Low and moderate income housing

Transportation planning & investment

Zoning and land-use

Growth, taxation, and econ. development



# Examples of Potential Policies and Strategies

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- A. Organize a coordinated communications and public outreach effort around growth challenges and opportunities.
  - B. State funding for enhancements to multimodal transportation options that are coordinated with local land use, e.g., enhanced transit, active transportation.
  - C. Expand Housing and Transit Reinvestment Zones (HTRZ) to additional transit hubs, e.g., fixed rail and BRT stations, enhanced state financial participation.
  - D. State incentives for municipalities to increase residential density / job locations along transit corridors.
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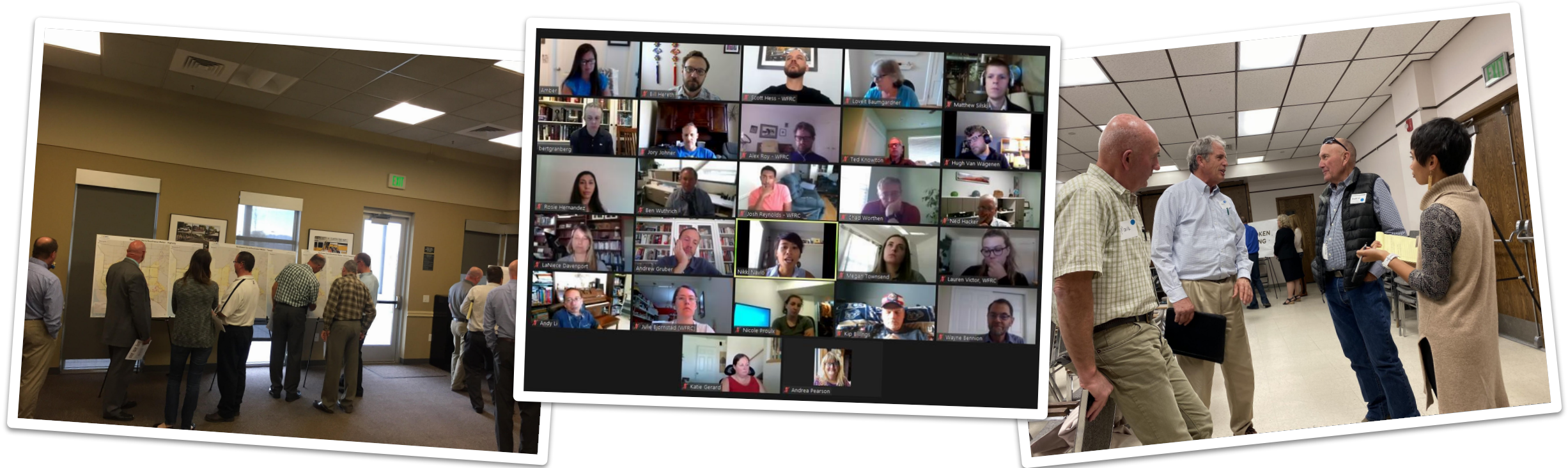
**COMFORT**

- A. Statewide mandatory reduction in parking requirements near transit stations to reduce the cost of building homes in those areas.
- B. Change Transportation Investment Fund (state \$) eligibility criteria to a housing unit quota instead of moderate-income housing plan adoption and reporting compliance.
- C. Withhold B&C road funds (local \$) from municipalities that don't fulfill the intent of SB 34.

**CONCERN**







# Wasatch Choice Fall Outreach

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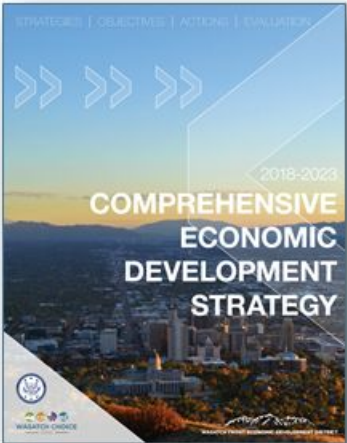


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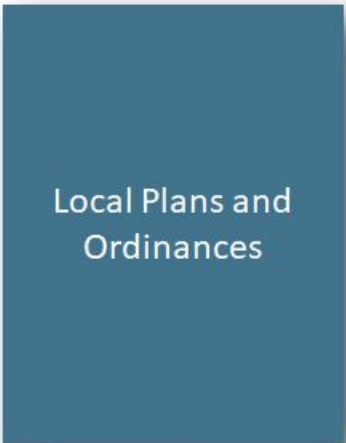
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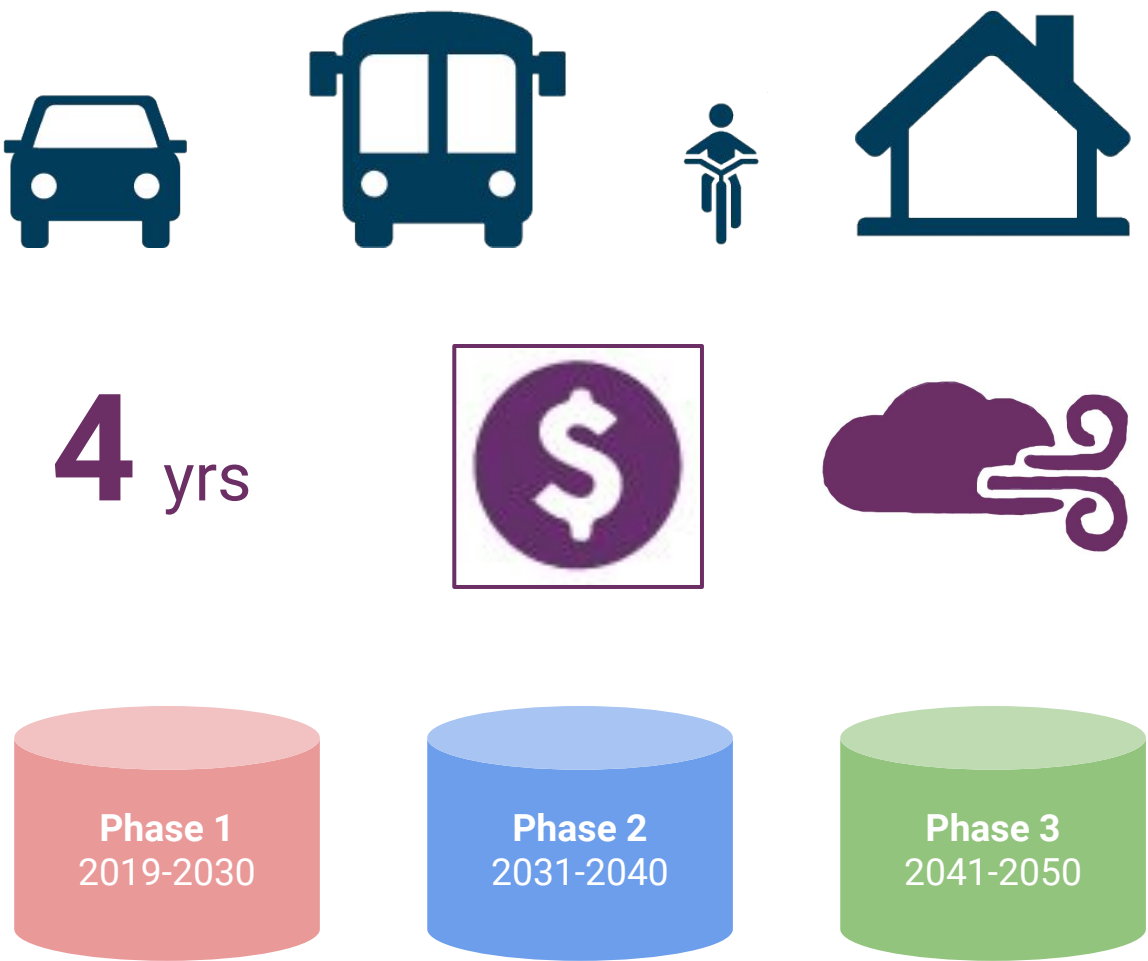
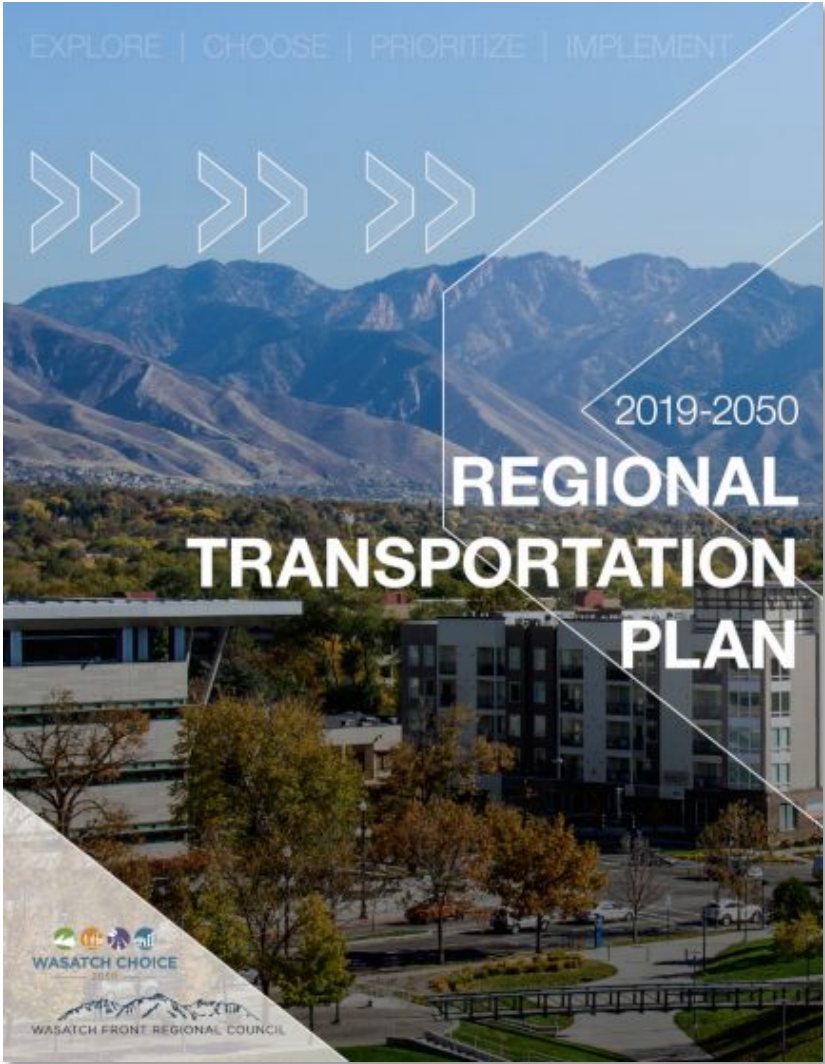
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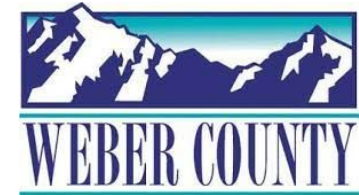




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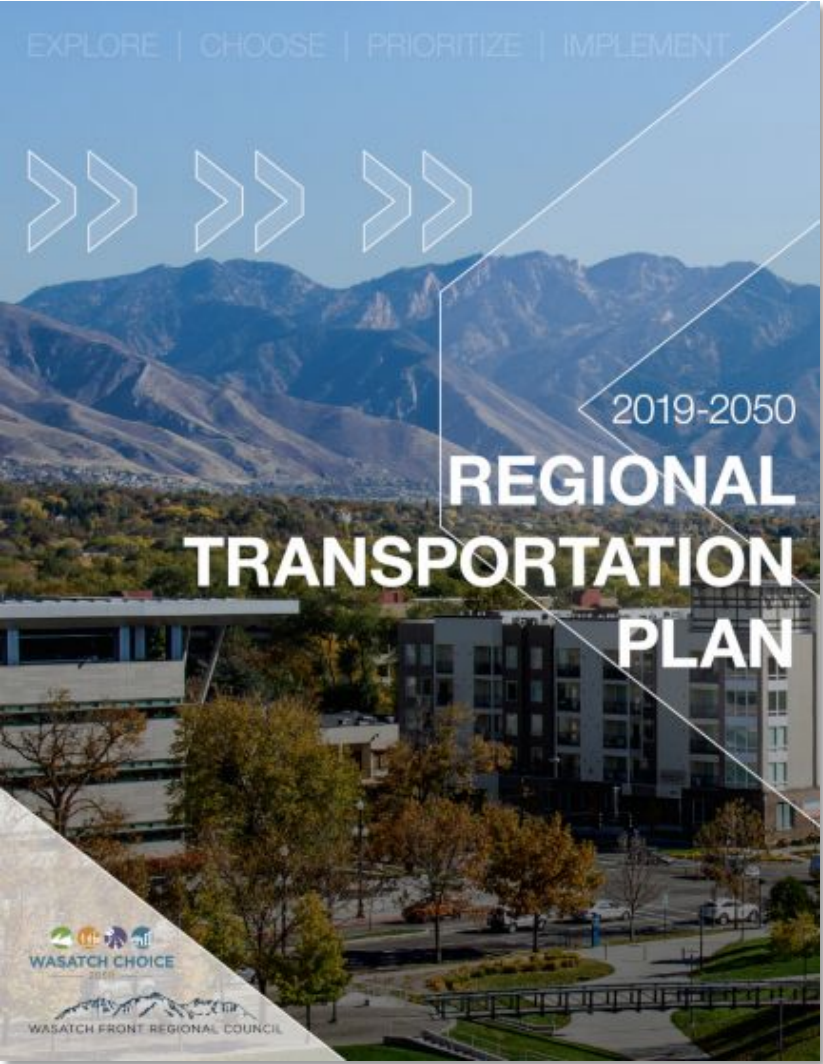


+ PUBLIC AND OTHER STAKEHOLDERS





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# 2023-2050 Regional Transportation Plan Process

2020	2021	2022-2023
Explore the uncertainty of the future	Test planning ideas and identify projects	Phase and implement projects



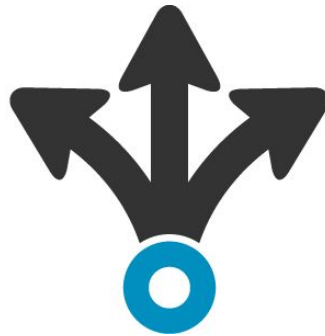
# Wasatch Choice Workshops



## **BUILD A "PREFERRED SCENARIO" OF TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS**



**1** Resiliency



**2** Local and regional  
policy responses



**3** Exploration of active  
transportation, road,  
and transit projects

# Wasatch Choice Workshops

**Box Elder County**  
October 12th

**Southern  
Weber County**  
October 18th

**Northern  
Weber County**  
October 19th

**Southwestern  
Salt Lake County**  
October 25th

**Northern  
Salt Lake County**  
November 1st

**Northern  
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November 15th

**Southeastern  
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November 17th

**Southern  
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November 22nd

**Morgan County**  
TBD

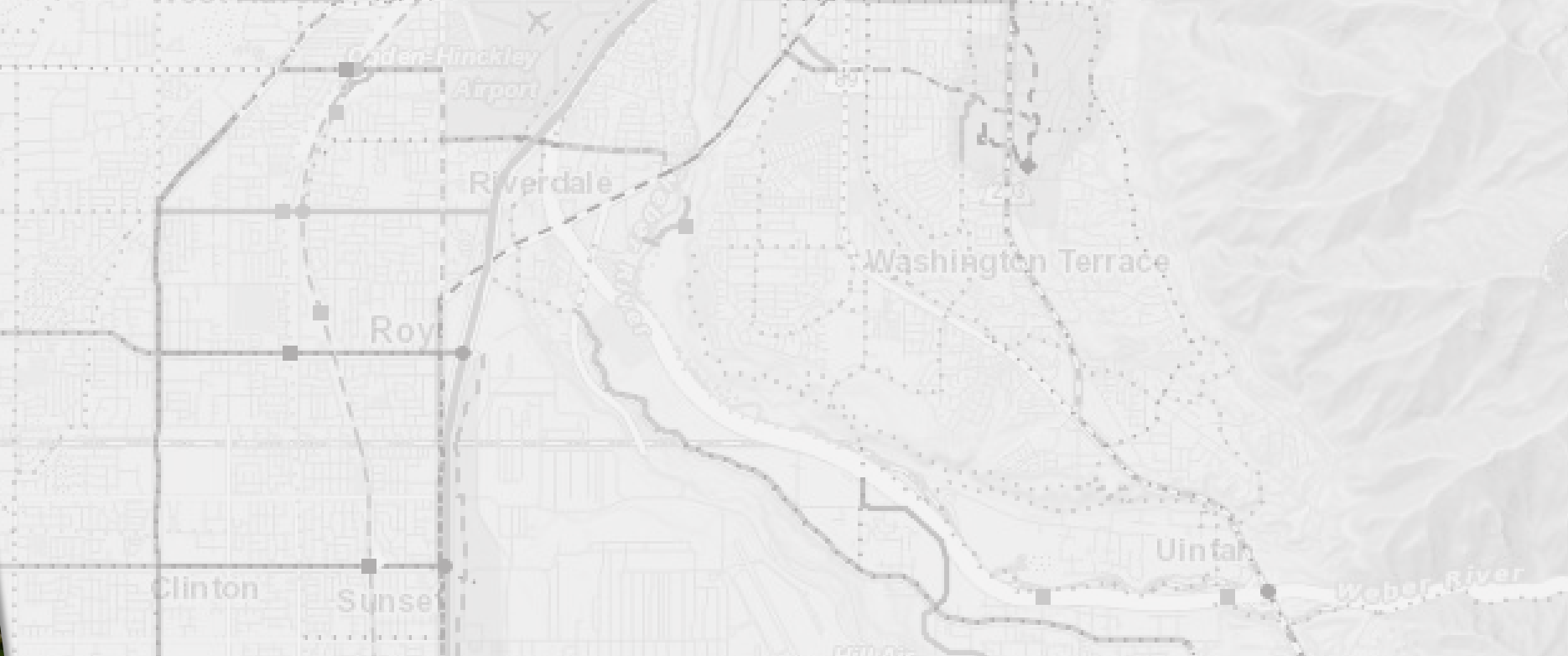
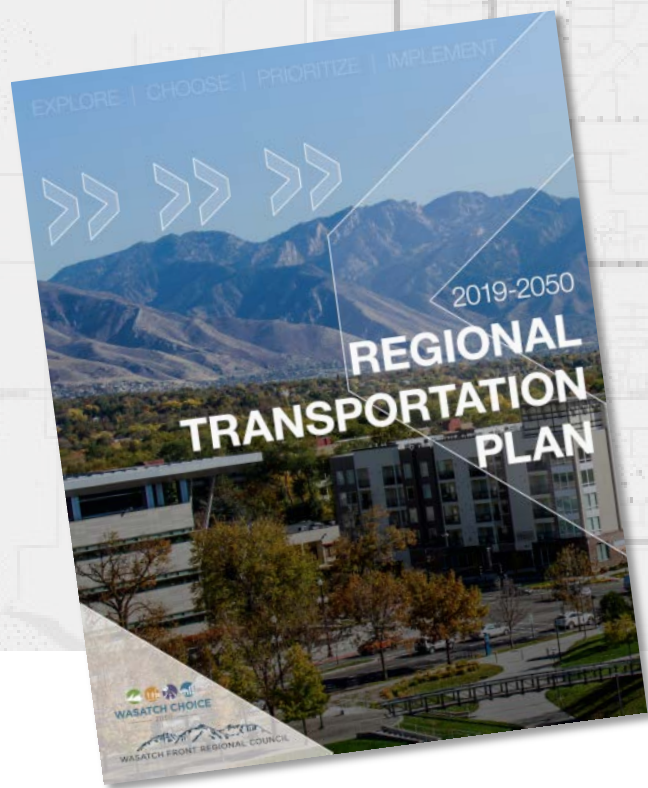
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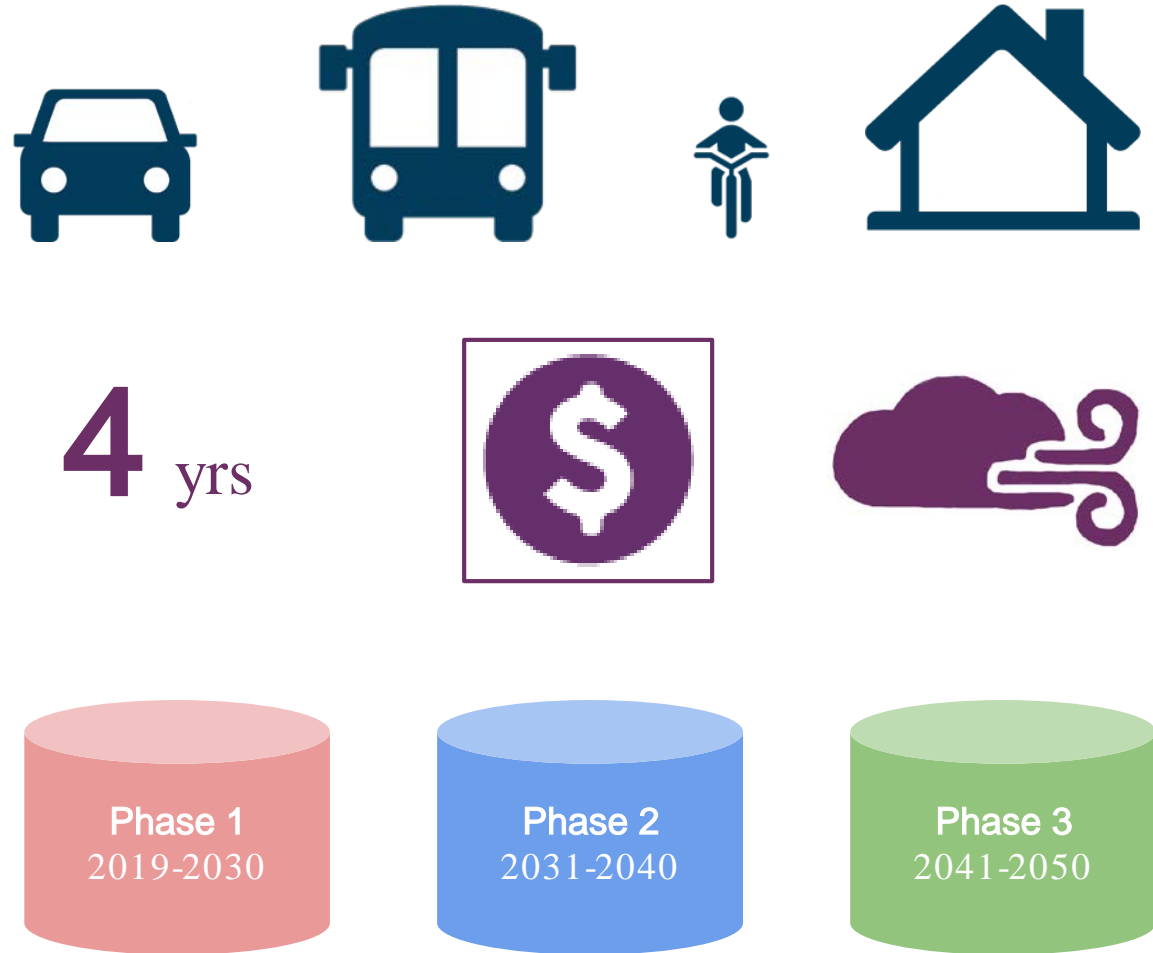


# RTP Amendment Process Update

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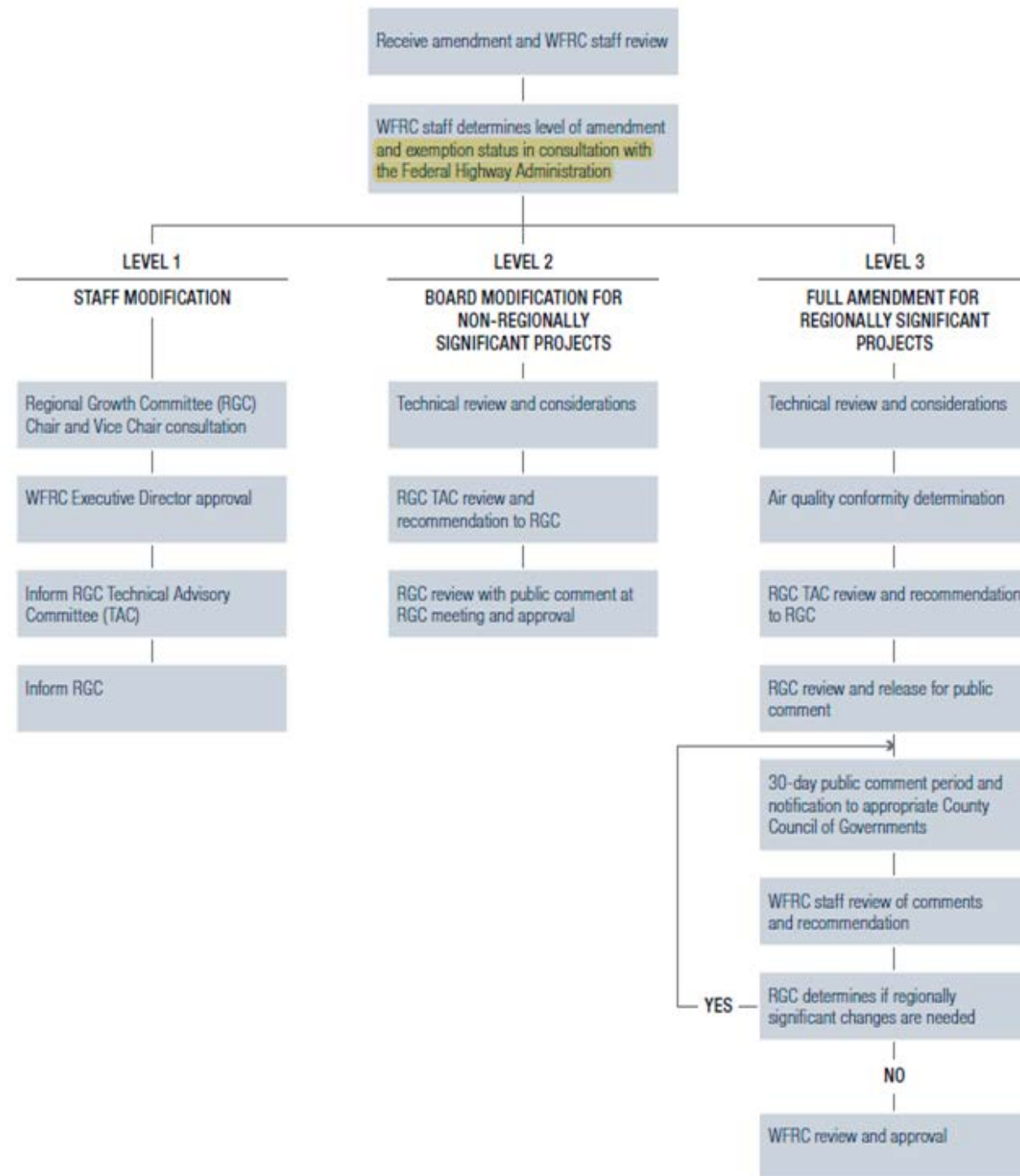
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# Proposed process modification 2

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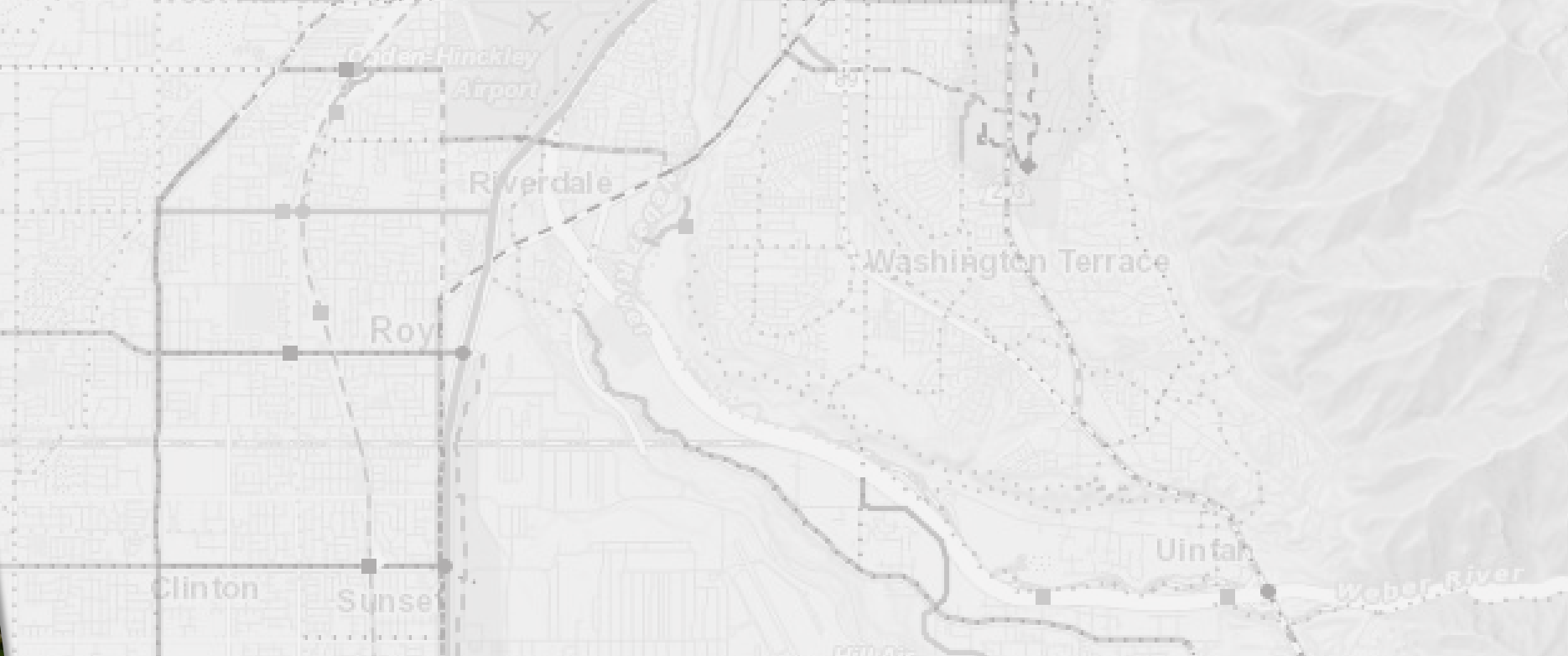
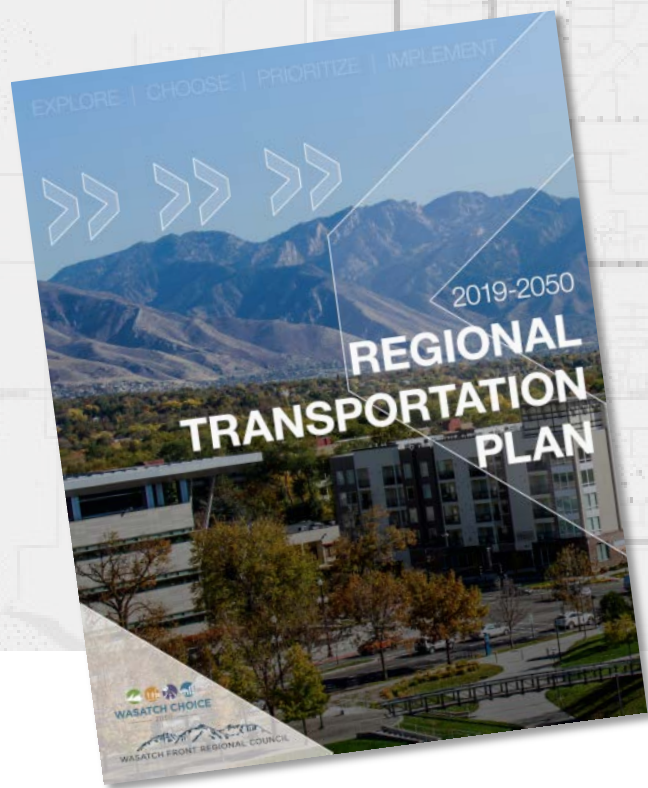
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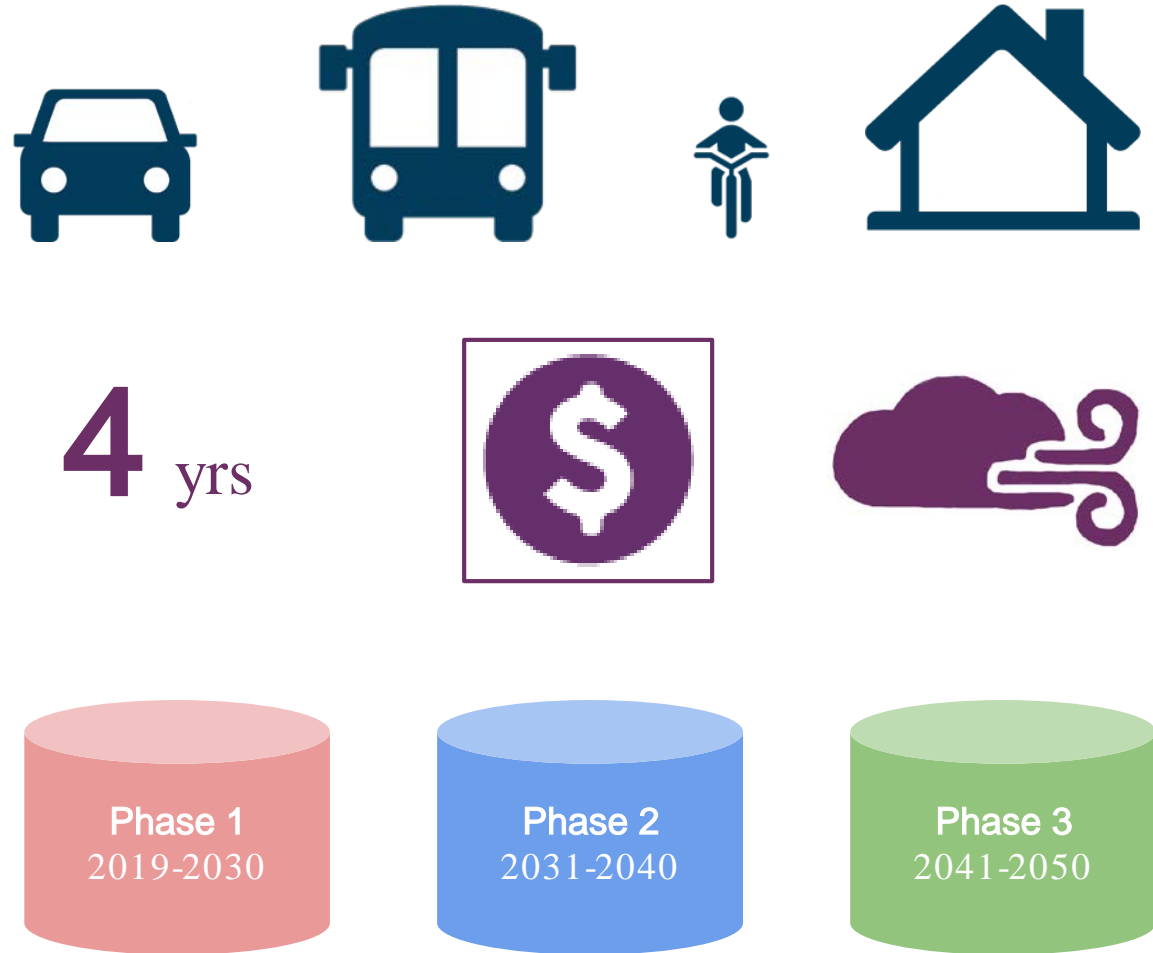


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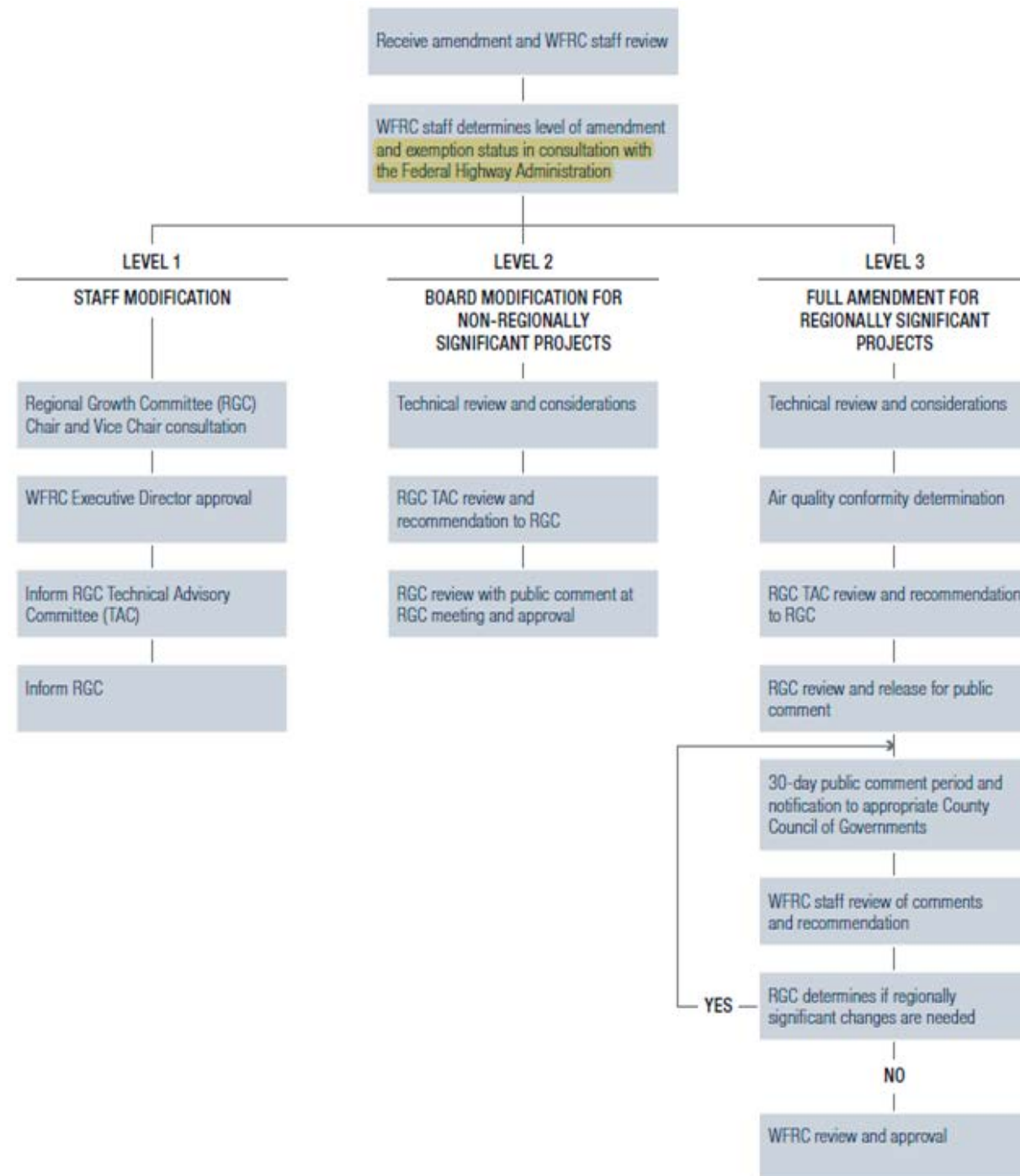
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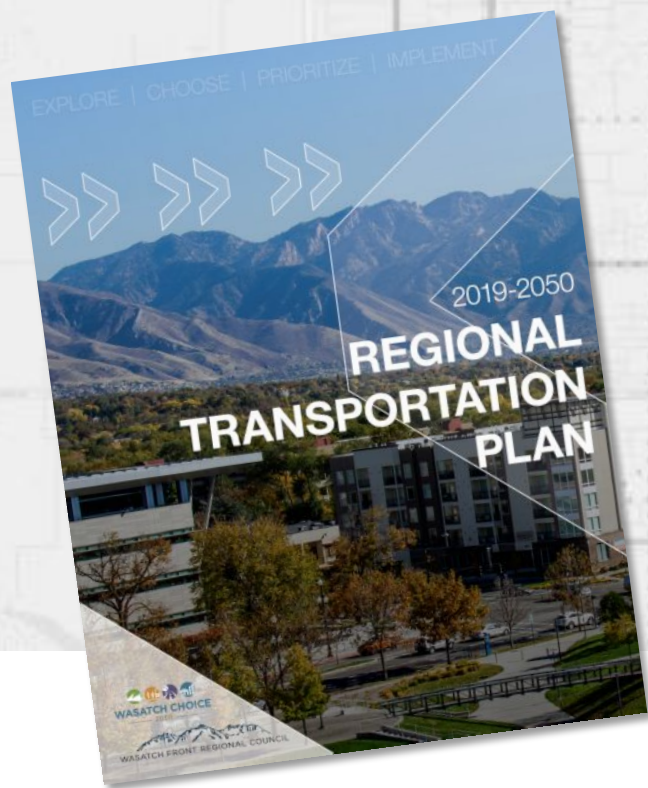
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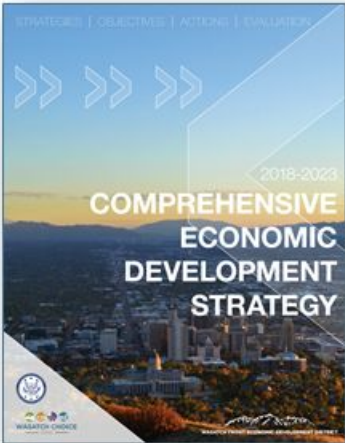
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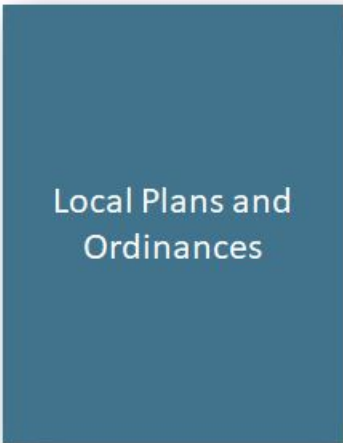
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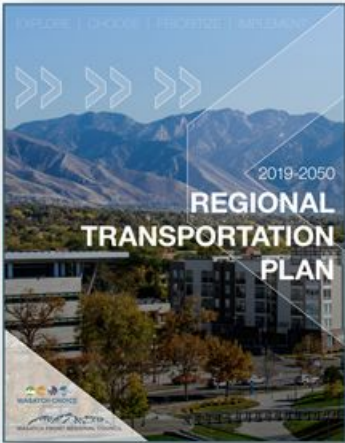
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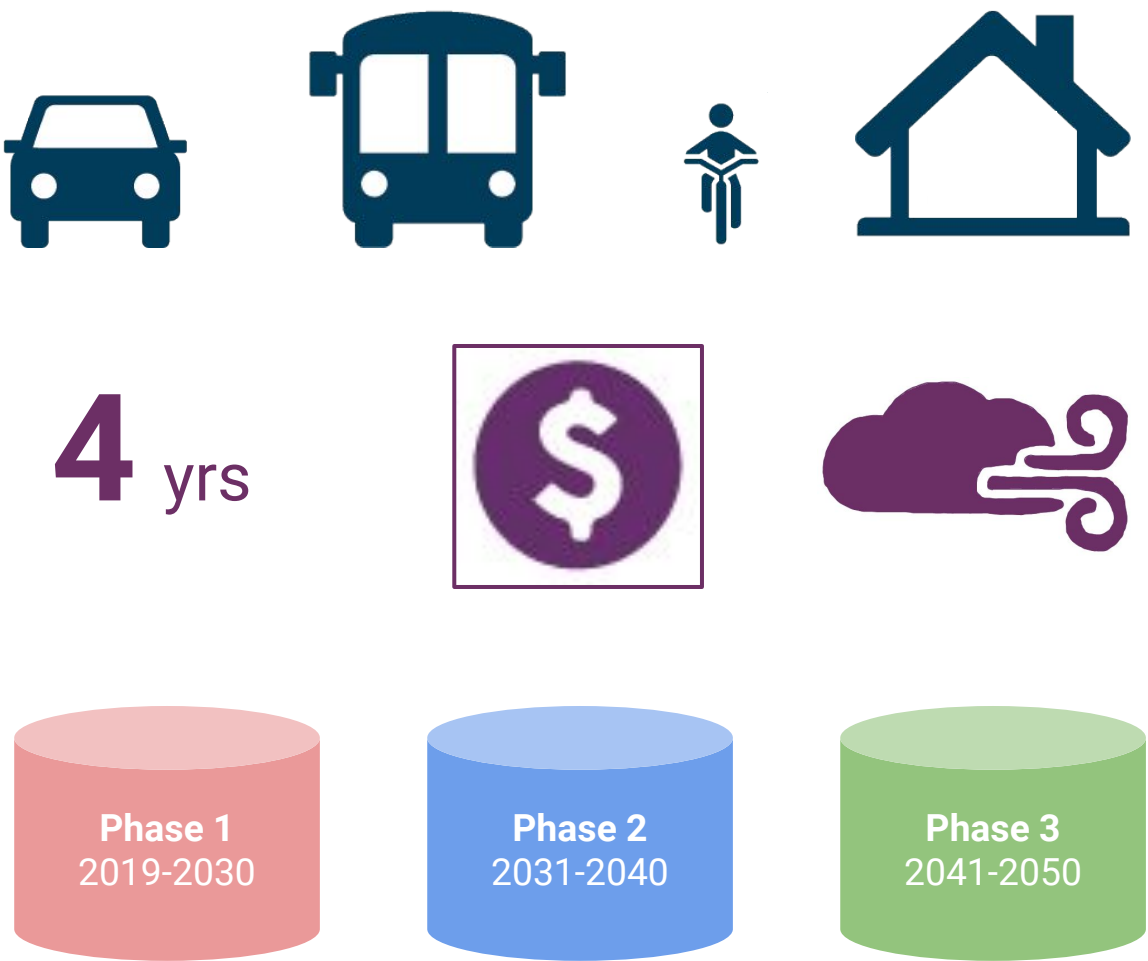
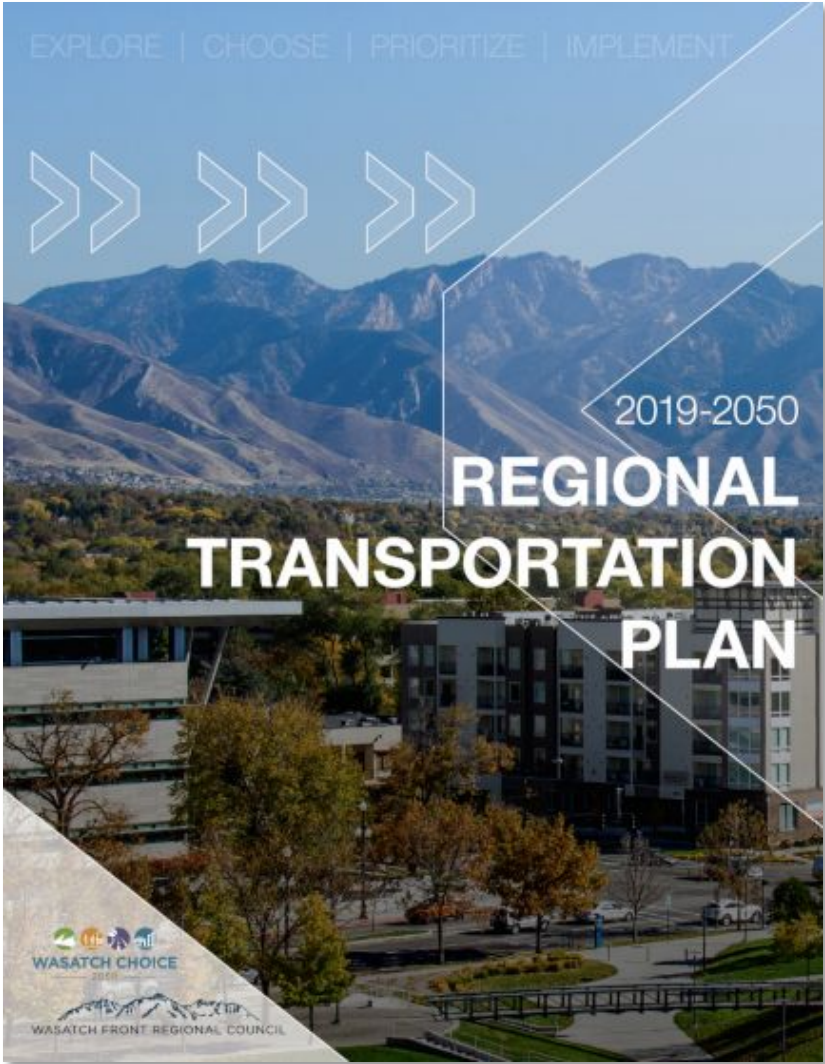
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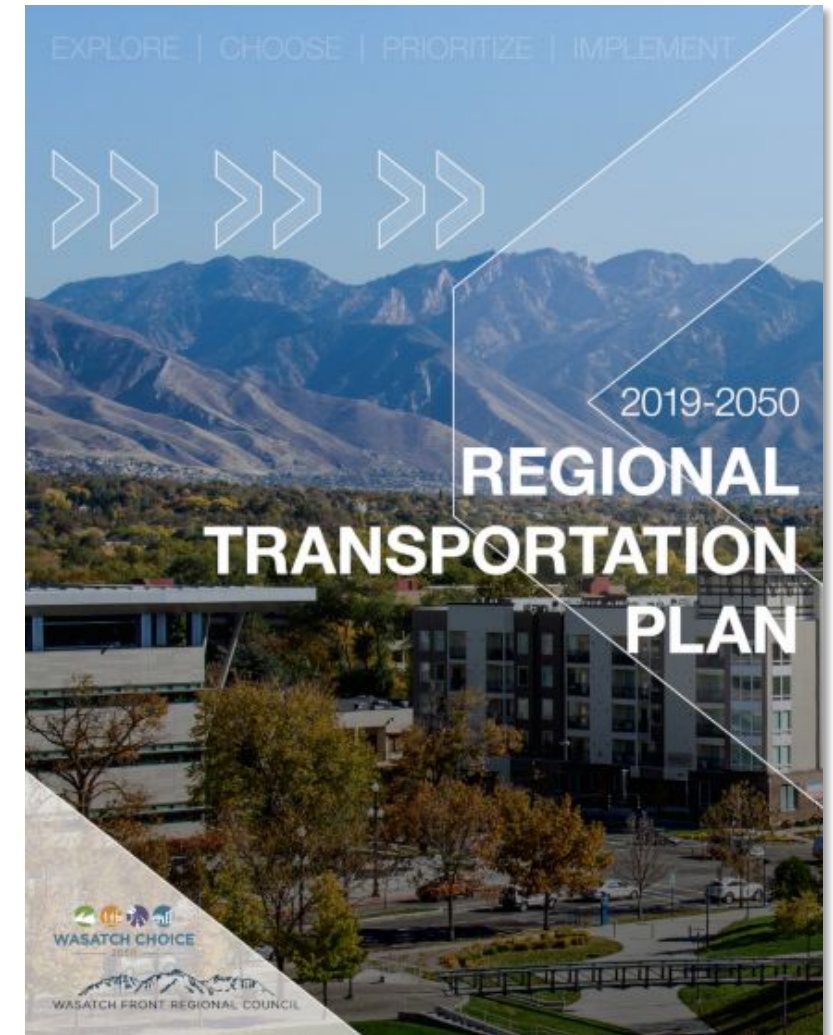


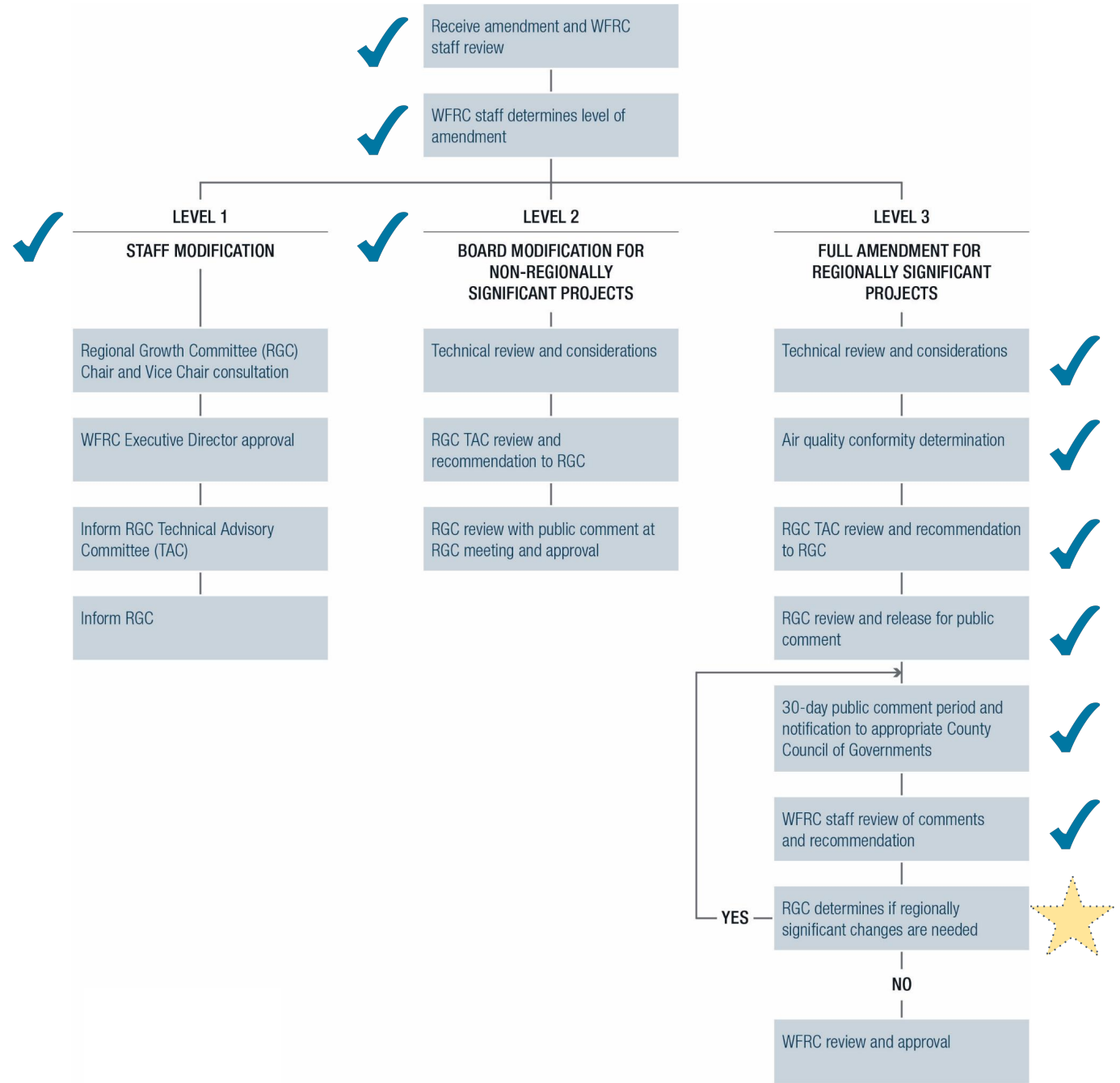
# RTP Amendment Process Overview

Periodic adjustments are needed between adoption cycles

WFRC's RTP amendment process:

- Consultation with project applicants and FHWA
- Financial constraints
- Public review and input
- Modeling and air quality conformity





# Amendment 3 Projects

Region-wide

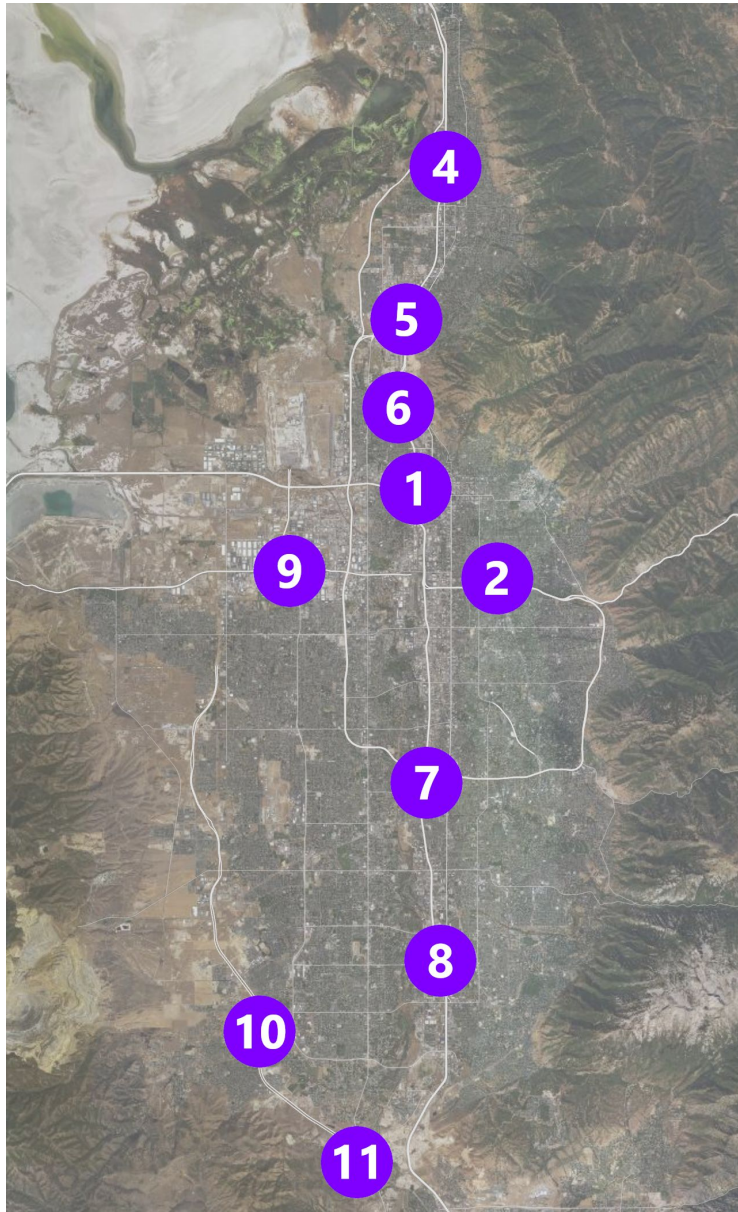
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AGENCY	PROJECT CORRIDOR	PROJECT EXTENTS	PROJECT TYPE
LEVEL 1			
MIDA	3 Gate Rail Trail	Weber River Pathway to Clearfield West HAFB Gates	New regional active transportation project
LEVEL 2			
Brigham City	Forest Street RR Crossing	@ 900 West RR Crossing	Phase change
South Weber	South Bench Drive	I-84 to South Weber Drive	Alignment change
South Weber	South Bench Drive	South Weber Drive to Fairfield Road	Project removal
West Jordan	7800 South	MVC and SR-111	Phase change
Draper	Draper Active Transportation Plan	City-wide	New regional active transportation plan
Sandy	Sandy Active Transportation Plan	City-wide	New regional active transportation plan
West Jordan	West Jordan Active Transportation Plan	City-wide	New regional active transportation plan
Murray	Murray Fashion Place Mall Center	Fashion Place Employment District	Center modification
LEVEL 3			
UTA	FrontRunner Strategic Double Tracking	Spot locations	Phase change
UTA	S-Line Streetcar Extension	McClelland to Highland Drive	Phase change
UDOT	I-15 Interchange	@ 5600 South	Update costs
UDOT	I-15	Farmington to SL Co. Line	Phase change
UDOT	I-15	2600 South to SL Co. Line	Project removal
UDOT	I-15	Davis Co. Line to 600 N	Phase change
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UDOT	I-15 Collector and Distributors (NB)	I-215 to Bangerter Hwy	Extent update and cost update
UDOT	Bangerter Hwy Interchange (Upgrade)	@ SR-201	Project removal
UDOT	Mountain View Corridor	Old Bingham Hwy to 13400 South	Phase change and extent update
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# Impacts of Amendment

TECHNICAL CONSIDERATION		BOX ELDER COUNTY	WEBER COUNTY	DAVIS COUNTY	SALT LAKE COUNTY	MORGAN COUNTY	TOOELE COUNTY
	Vehicle Hours Traveled	No change	-100	-450	-4,630	Improvements to the US-89/I-84 Interchange will improve travel time and reliability to Morgan County	I-80 improvements funded in TIF in Statewide Plan

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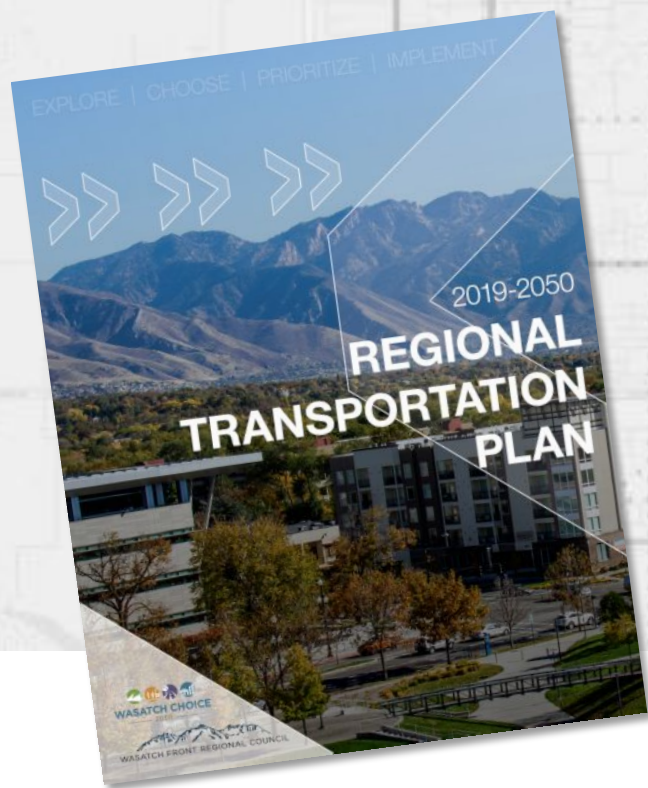
MEETING DATE	LEVEL1	LEVEL 2	LEVEL 3
<b>August 26</b> Wasatch Front Regional Council	Level 1 was approved by RGC Chairs and WFRC Executive Director on May 27	Level 2 was approved by RGC on May 20	WFRC approval

# Suggested Motion

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*“ I make a motion to recommend approval of the Level 3 - Full Amendment projects and the air quality conformity determination as found in Draft Air Quality Memorandum 40 for Amendment Number 3 to the 2019-2050 RTP by the Wasatch Front Regional Council at the August 26, 2021 meeting. ”*





## 2019-2050 RTP: Amendment 3

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