

Tooele Valley Rural Planning Organization (TVRPO)

Meeting Minutes - DRAFT

September 12, 2022 1:30 – 2:30 PM

In person: County Council Chambers, 47 South Main St, Tooele, UT 84074

Virtual: <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/81742844188>

1. June 13, 2022 Meeting Minutes [00:11:00]

Motion - Mayor Debbie Winn, Tooele City

Second - Andy Welch, Tooele County

APPROVED

2. Updating RPO Transit Plan [00:11:59]

Clint Campbell of UTA reviewed the four transit alternatives from the feasibility study completed spring 2021. The four alternatives represent options for transit service between Tooele Valley and Salt Lake Valley, and the study identified costs and forecast ridership associated with each.

Improving active transportation will enhance access to transit. It is important to manage future development in a manner to enhance transit effectiveness.

Micro transit will play a key role in improving access to transit in the future utilizing electric minivans with transit station charging ports. The current goal is that by August 2023, micro transit operations in Tooele Valley be 100% electric.

Weekday micro transit in Tooele Valley averages 67 passengers per day. About $\frac{1}{3}$ of these are previous riders from the previous service provided for senior citizens, another $\frac{1}{3}$ are previous riders of the Flex service, and about $\frac{1}{3}$ are new riders taking advantage of the micro transit operations.

Elden Bingham of UDOT suggested coordinating active transportation plans in Tooele Valley with Heidi Goedhart, the active transportation manager at UDOT.

3. Upcoming UDOT Projects [00:28:00]

Brad Palmer gave the report on UDOT projects in Tooele County. There are 10 highway projects in various stages of design or construction including I-80 (repaving in multiple areas, VMS signs, culvert repairs), SR-196 repaving,

enhanced public access to CCT live video, wrong-way driving preventive measures, and a median barrier on SR-36.

4. CMAQ Schedule [00:37:47]

Letters of intent should be sent to Charles Mason-Hill by October 7, 2022. Emission analysis and cost estimate forms will be due by November 18, 2022.

There will be about \$350,000-\$700,000 available in Congestion Mitigation Air Quality (CMAQ) funding depending on whether 1 or 2 years of funds are programmed. To be eligible, projects should reduce congestion and reduce emissions. Eligible projects funded with CMAQ in the past include transit, active transportation, intersection operations, and park and ride lots.

5. Midvalley Highway Update [00:42:42]

Oahn LeSpradlin presented the update for the Midvalley Highway Phases 2 and 3 Environmental Assessment. Oanh reviewed the purpose and need, and the four alternatives. Public input is complete for the alternatives screening, which included 52 comments. Details can be found at <https://udot.utah.gov/midvalley/#/> or by calling 435-269-2440.

Step 1 - Purpose and Need - complete
Step 2 - Alternatives Screening - complete
Step 3 - Impacts Analysis - **next**
Step 4 - Preferred Alternative

The next stakeholder meeting will be held September 28, 2022. The final public comment period will begin late in 2022 or early 2023.

6. Tooele Valley Traffic Modeling and Projections [00:50:25]

Grant Farnsworth shared an overview of forecast traffic volumes on Midvalley Highway and SR-36 in 2050. He also showed maps of anticipated growth in households and employment in Tooele Valley by 2050. The 2050 Build options forecast a reduction in traffic volume on SR-36 by 7-13%. Grant illustrated the significant delay reductions associated with this decreased traffic with an example of a 45% decrease in delay at 1000 North and SR-36.

7. Other Business [00:56:50]

8. Next Meeting [00:57:27]

The next meeting will be December 12, 2022 at 1:30 PM and will have both in-person and virtual options.

Participation

In-person Attendees

Kip Billings, WFRC
Brad Palmer, UDOT
Debbie Winn, Mayor Tooele City
Dan England, Grantsville City
Wayne Bennion, WFRC
Clint Campbell, UTA
Jeff Miller, Tooele County
Andy Welch, Tooele County
Jerry Houghton, Tooele County

Virtual Attendees

Neil Critchlow, Mayor Grantsville
Ivan Hooper, Avenue Consultants
Andrea Pearson, WFRC
James Waltz, Grantsville
Jesse Wilson, Grantsville
Oahn LeSpradlin, UDOT
Jim Bolser, Tooele City
Paul Hansen, Tooele City
Katie Kouriano, Horrocks
Elden Bingham, UDOT
Grant Farnsworth, UDOT