

**Utah Department of Transportation  
Utah Transportation Commission  
Area Tour  
Thursday, August 17, 2023**

On Thursday, August 17, 2023 at 1:45 p.m., Utah Transportation Commissioners, UDOT staff and others departed on an area road tour from the Ogden City Offices, located at 2549 Washington Boulevard, Ogden. Those in attendance included:

- Commissioners: Naghi Zeenati, Lew Cramer, Donna Law, Kevin Van Tassell, Natalie Gochnour, Ronda Menlove
- UDOT Staff: Carlos Braceras, Lisa Wilson, Ben Huot, Brett Slater, Eric Rasband, Kendall Draney, Leif Elder, Mike Romero, Mitch Shaw, Monte Aldridge, Nathan Peterson, Peter Asplund, PJ Roubinet, Rob Clayton, Rob Wight, Robert Stewart, Wyatt Woolley
- Others: Brigitte Mandel, David Cox, Ed Woolford, Eric Isom, Ivan Marrero, Jim Hill, Jory Johner, Justin Anderson, Luis Garcia, Marcia White, Paul Ziman, Steve Issowits, Tweet Zeenati

The following projects were discussed:

**I-15; 24th Street Interchange - Weber County**

Currently in the environmental phase, a \$96 million project will build a full interchange on I-15 at 24th Street in Ogden, along with a new, five-lane road from SR-126 to I-15, which would function as a new Midland Drive. Construction is anticipated to begin in 2026.

**SR-39; Ogden Canyon Shared-Use Path - Weber County**

Currently in the design phase, a \$5.1 million project, in combination with Ogden City, will extend the shared-use path in Ogden Canyon. The project will tie into the existing asphalt path recently constructed by the city, cross the river twice, and tie into the existing dirt trail on the north side of the Ogden River, requiring the construction of two pedestrian bridges, multiple retaining walls and a maintenance bridge. Construction is anticipated to take place in 2024-2025.

**SR-39; Barrier Upgrade - Weber County**

In 2024, a \$4 million project will replace aging, outdated concrete barrier at certain locations on SR-39 through the Ogden Canyon.

**SR-158; Truck Escape Ramp on Powder Mountain Road - Weber County**

UDOT is working to design a truck escape ramp on the long, steep grade of SR-158 (Powder Mountain Road) in Edent. Estimated at \$8 million, construction will begin in the spring or summer of 2024.

**SR-39; Roundabout at 7800 East/100 South - Weber County**

Currently in design, a \$3.9 million project will install a roundabout on SR-39 at the intersection of 7800 East/100 South in Huntsville to improve the intersection's operation and mobility by reducing the excessive queuing that often occurs during recreational travel months. Construction is expected to take place in 2024.

**Snowbasin Road Slide Repair - Weber County**

UDOT is working on designing a solution for a section of Snowbasin Road (SR-226) in Huntsville that is experiencing sliding. Construction on this \$1.1 million project is expected to begin summer 2024.

Snowbasin General Manager Davy Ratchford met the group at Snowbasin and talked about the resort, discussing ridership, partnering opportunities and future plans.

**I-84; Mountain Green Interchange Study - Morgan County**

A \$5 million study is currently taking place to evaluate highway and interstate mobility improvements on I-84 in the Mountain Green area, which could include a full-interchange. The current half interchange in Mountain Green is commonly used as a gateway to the upper Ogden Valley, providing access to outdoor recreational activities, like Snowbasin Resort, Powder Mountain and Pineview and Causey reservoirs. A full interchange would improve access and regional mobility. An estimated construction schedule and funding source have not yet been identified.

**I-84/US-89 Interchange - Weber and Davis counties**

UDOT is preparing an Environmental Assessment (EA) to evaluate potential improvements at the I-84/US-89 interchange in Weber County. It is anticipated that a public hearing will be held in early December with the EA being completed in January 2024. \$60 million has been funded for the project so far, but the total cost is yet to be determined.

**OGX - UTA Ogden Express - Weber County**

Construction was recently completed on the \$110.7 million Ogden Express (OGX), a 5.3-mile bus rapid transit line that runs between the Ogden Intermodal Transit Center to the McKay-Dee Hospital, making stops through Weber State University. The OGX provides a major transit service upgrade in Ogden, providing direct access between the hospital, the university and Ogden’s downtown area, and is expected to spur economic development in the area.

The bus returned to the Ogden City Offices at 4:00 p.m., concluding the road tour.



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