

MPO TAC Meeting

August 26, 2024 | 1:30 pm - 3:00 pm



Member Attendees	Present	Member Attendees	Present
Shane Sorensen, Alpine		Travis Jockumsen, Payson	
Jed Muhlestein, Alpine		Robert Mills, Payson	✓
Ryan Robinson, Alpine	✓	Jill Spencer, Payson - CHAIR	✓
Dave Bunker, American Fork		Scott Darrington, Pleasant Grove	
Ben Hunter, American Fork	✓	Aaron Wilson, Pleasant Grove	✓
Sam Kelly, American Fork		Neal Winterton, Pleasant Grove	
Patrick O'Brien, American Fork		Britton Tveten, Pleasant Grove	
Paul Raymond, Camp Williams		Daniel Cardenas, Pleasant Grove	
Mayor Wyatt Cook, Cedar Fort		Brian Torgersen, Provo	
Chandler Goodwin, Cedar Hills		Scott Henderson, Provo	
Kevin Anderson, Cedar Hills		Vern Keeslar, Provo	✓
Mike Whimpey, CUWCD		Gordon Haight, Provo	
Gene Showeroff, CUWCD		Bill Peperone, Provo	
Derek Burton, CUWCD		Matt Marziale, Salem	
Mike Barker, Draper	✓	Bradey Wilde, Salem	
Brien Maxfield, Draper	✓	Norm Beagley, Santaquin	
Todd Draper, Draper	✓	Jon Lundell, Santaquin	
Todd Taylor, Draper		Jason Bond, Santaquin	✓
Steve Mumford, Eagle Mountain		Mark Christensen, Saratoga Springs	✓
Christopher Trusty, Eagle Mountain	✓	Jeremy Lapin, Saratoga Springs	
Brandon Larsen, Eagle Mountain		Dave Stroud, Saratoga Springs	
Royce Swenson, Elk Ridge		Austin Roy, Saratoga Springs	✓
Mayor Hollie McKinney, Fairfield		Sarah Carroll, Saratoga Springs	
Kelly Lund, FHWA		Seth Perrins, Spanish Fork	
Rex Harris, FHWA	✓	Dillon Muirbrook, Spanish Fork	✓
Peter Hadley, FTA Region 8		Jered Johnson, Spanish Fork	✓
Mayor Marty Larson, Genola		Brandon Snyder, Spanish Fork	
Mayor Steven Staheli, Goshen		Dave Anderson, Spanish Fork	✓
Erin Wells, Highland		Troy Fitzgerald, Springville	
Jeff Murdoch, Highland	✓	Jeff Anderson, Springville	✓
Gretchen Homer, Highland		Chris Wilson, Springville	
Rob Patterson, Highland		Brad Stapley, Springville	
Jason Walker, Lehi		Laura Thompson, Springville	
Brad Kenison, Lehi		Eric Rasband, UDOT - Region 3	✓
Luke Seegmiller, Lehi		Eric Mason, UDOT - Region 3	
Kim Struthers, Lehi		Janele Robertson, UTA	✓
Mike West, Lehi		Alma Haskell, UTA	✓
Adam Cowie, Lindon	✓	Dede Murray, UTA	✓
Noah Gordon, Lindon	✓	Mary DeLaMare-Schaefer, UTA	✓
Juan Garrido, Lindon		Nick Wilcox, UTA	✓
Mike Florence, Lindon	✓	Ezra Nair, Utah County	
Cory Branch, Mapleton		Richard Nielson, Utah County	
Rob Hunter, Mapleton		Glen Tanner, Utah County	
Sean Conroy, Mapleton	✓	Bryce Armstrong, Utah County	
Brenn Bybee, Orem		Eric Ellis, Vineyard	✓
Taggart Bowen, Orem		Naseen Ghandour, Vineyard	✓
John Dorny, Orem	✓	Morgan Brim, Vineyard	
Grant Allen, Orem		Mayor Brent Winder, Woodland Hills	
Jason W. Bench, Orem		BG Shawn M. Fuellenbach, UTNG	
Dave Tucket, Payson			

MAG Staff	Present	Alternates/ Others in Attendance	
Michelle Carroll, Executive Director		Ryan Beck, Envision Utah	
LaNiece Davenport, MPO Director	✓	Sarah Beck, Envision Utah	
Shawn Eliot, Transportation Manager		Cody Luts, Envision Utah	
Bob Allen, Sr. Transportation Planner	✓	Loretta Markham, AECOM	
Calvin Clark, Transportation Project Manager	✓	Boyd Humpherys, UDOT	
Kimberly Brenneman, Executive Assistant	✓	Hugh Van Wagenen, WFRC	
Andrew Wooley, IT Manager	✓		
Shauna Mecham, Planner/ Air Quality Analyst			
Matthew Silski, GIS Analyst	✓		
Jared Lillywhite, Transportation Modeler	✓		
Kendall Willardson, Transportation Planner	✓		
Tim Hereth, Analytics Manager	✓		

DISCUSSION & AGENDA ITEMS

Call to Order (00:00:43)

Chair Jill Spencer opened the meeting at 1:31 pm.

Public Comment (00:01:39)

Chair Jill Spencer opened the meeting to the public. There were no public comments.

Minutes - Action (00:02:01)

Jason Bond moved to approve the minutes from July 29, 2024.

Jered Johnson seconded the motion, and the motion passed all in favor.

TIP Modification | Geneva RD UDOT Funding Request - Action (00:03:17)

Bob Allen addressed the Committee giving the background of when money was originally awarded to Orem for widening of 1600 North, which was in 2016. Before the project started it was paused and 1600 North was transferred to a UDOT facility. The funds were then used towards the awarded Center Street in Orem project. The Center Street project was then put on hold due to a railroad crossing issue. In 2020 HB433 awarded funds to widen Geneva Road from University Parkway. In 2022 Orem was awarded funds to connect Geneva Road to Lakeview Parkway. The scope of the UDOT project was changed with the connection to Lakeview Parkway, which increased the cost of the project. As UDOT has taken on a part of the scope of 1600 North Orem project, UDOT is asking for additional funds on the portion of the project that UDOT will be completing totaling just over \$6M.

Rob Hunter moved to recommend that \$6,067,000 be transferred to the UDOT Geneva Rd project.

Vern Kessler seconded the motion, and the motion passed all in favor.

Corridor Preservation Request Provo 820 North - Action (00:12:11)

Calvin Clark stated the proposal is for the purchase of property for right-of-way along Corridor Preservation number 38, Provo 820 N. The property owner is a willing seller and the purchase will be for the full parcel.

There was discussion related to the purchase of the full property versus a portion of the property.

Jason Bond recommended the MPO Board approve the Provo City request for \$718,575 from the Corridor Preservation Fund.

Rob Hunter seconded the motion, and the motion passed all in favor.

Public Engagement Plan / Title VI | Draft Approval - Action (00:20:23)

Kendall Willardson addressed the Committee related to the updated Public Engagement Plan (PEP) and Title VI Plan. These plans are required by FHWA and FTA and were recommended to be updated in the last Federal Certification Review. The update to the PEP and Title VI started in Spring this year. The draft of each document will go to the public for review and comment this month. The PEP requires a 45 day period for public comment and the Title VI Plan requires a 30 day period for public comment. The anticipated finalized plans would be adopted this fall.

The PEP looks specifically at how the MPO will engage with the public by explaining how the public is informed related to meetings, surveys, and open houses. The plan also covers how the public is able to access information about the MPO activities and how the public can provide feedback.

The Title VI Plan outlines how the MPO will not discriminate against certain populations with a plan on how to accomplish that. The ADA Plan and the Limited English Proficiency (LEP) Plan are other plans nested within the Title VI plan.

There was discussion of how these plans are implemented and how the MPO engages with the public.

Vern Kessler recommended that the MPO Board approve the Draft Public Engagement and Title VI plans.

Jason Bond seconded the motion, and the motion passed all in favor.

MPO Grid Study Introduction (00:31:52)

Shawn Eliot introduced Alexis Verson with Horrocks Engineering. Alexis Verson stated this study is a statewide study for a transportation gridded network for multimodal. As this is a statewide study each region might look a little different based on the planning area. Gridded networks are great for transit, safety, emergency services, and efficient mobility.

There are two phases that Alexis Verson outlined, with the first phase to include defining and communicating an ideal grid and benefits for each MPO area, developing common definition, typologies, and performance metrics. Phase two will accomplish jurisdictional ownership of the roads, and develop criteria and recommendations for optimal ownership and funding. The grid network will look different for the various modes of transportation and they will work to layer those grids together.

With the Utah County grid study that was completed previously, there is a lot of concern with the more southern part of the county where there are a lot of agriculture protection zones. It was asked if the study will include how to work with those areas. Will there be a land use element to the study?

The purpose of the study is to look at providing better access to more destinations, more jobs, services, and education. We're also looking at it from a mobility standpoint. How much faster, more efficient, and more convenient can we get people there? And that, again, is looking at multimodal. The results are going to look a bit different, depending on the area, geography, land use, and urbanized areas.

Wasatch Choice Vision - Utah County Update (00:49:13)

Ryan Beck with Envision Utah stated they were selected by MAG as a consultant to create a vision for land use and transportation in Utah County. The Wasatch Choice Vision is intended to enhance local planning by working together on regional issues, supporting each community.

The timeline of the plan is broken down into four phases. Each phase will be about 2 months, with the idea of the plan being completed by March 2025.

Ryan Beck asked the Committee for some feedback by asking the following questions.

How familiar are you with the existing Wasatch Choice Vision?

How familiar are you with Valley Visioning?

What should the benefits of the vision be?

What ideas would you like to explore as we updated the Wasatch Choice Vision?

Ryan Beck said in October they plan to have four stakeholder workshops and will provide more information as it draws closer.

UTA Planning Updates (01:08:33)

Kendall Willardson introduced Dede Murray with UTA. Dede Murray stated the UTA Long Range Transit Plan was started a couple years back that included public outreach, developing scenarios, financial analysis, and implementation. This is a vision of public transportation in the region planned out for 30 years. UTA has looked at different goals throughout the agency and created a list of criteria in order to create scenarios and phased implementation for a lot of the projects. There is an interactive map on their website that shows the different projects within the network.

UTA is working on implementing the phase one projects and including those in the ten year capital plan update. The next plan update will be in 2027, with the anticipation it will be in sync with the RTPs.

Dede Murray shifted to the 5-year service plan that is 2025-2029. The plan is to help improve access to transit, making sure operator conditions are good, reducing the infrequent services, and responding to community feedback to optimize the system.

Dede Murray highlighted some of the route changes that are scheduled in April 2025. There was discussion of the on demand service that is offered by UTA. The 5 year plan does not show any improvements for cities south of Spanish Fork.

UTA FrontRunner South Update (01:24:59)

Kendall Willardson introduced Lorretta Markem with AECON. The project started in summer of 2024 with Locally Preferred Alternative (LPA) refinement and early scoping, the environmental review in fall/winter 2024-2025 with the preliminary design during 2025-2026. The final design and construction is TBD and no funding has been identified at this time. There were some comments from the public outreach that included:

- Project Support
- Station Locations
- Impacts
- Development Concerns
- All User Access
- Bus Connections
- Agriculture Lands

The line will be extended from Provo to Payson. There will be a service station just north of the Springville station. There will be three station stops added to the line; Springville, Spanish Fork, and Payson. All stations need to accommodate parking, bus stalls, bicycle and pedestrian connectivity.

UDOT Major Projects Update (01:33:56)

Shawn Eliot introduced Boyd Humpherys with UDOT.

Boyd provided a concise overview of four projects in northwest Utah County

- Mountain View Corridor, 2100 North to Porter Rockwell. Construction time is Spring 2022 to Spring 2026.
- 2100 North Freeway, Mountain View Corridor to I-15. Construction time is Winter 2025 to Spring 2028.
- Mountain View Corridor, SR-73 to 2100 North and Cory Wride Freeway. Construction time is Early 2029 to Fall 2031.
- Pioneer Crossing, operational improvement flex lanes. Construction time is Summer 2025 to Summer 2026

Boyd Humpherys also touched on other projects in Utah County including the following; Payson Main Street interchange, Springville Sharp-Tintic Railroad connection, Springville 1600 S / 2700 North Spanish Fork Main Street to SR-51, and Orem 1600 N from 1200 W to State Street. There are studies and future needs that include; I-15 Center Street Spanish Fork Interchange, I-15 Santaquin Interchange Study, and Pleasant Grove Blvd Environmental Assessment.

Other Business and Adjournment

Chair Jill Spencer stated the next MPO TAC meeting is scheduled for September 23, 2024.

Jason Bond moved to adjourn the meeting.

Rob Hunter seconded the motion, and the motion passed all in favor.