



IRON COUNTY RURAL PLANNING ORGANIZATION

ICRTEC CHAIR—MAYOR Geoffrey Chesnut • ICRTAC CHAIR—Rob Dotson • PLANNING MANAGER—Nathan Wiberg

MINUTES

Rural Transportation Advisory Committee (RTAC)

April 01, 2025, 1:30 pm

Cedar City Council Chambers

10 North Main Street

Cedar City, Utah 84720

MEMBERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Kent Fugal
Chris Hall
Rob Dotson
Tyler Allred
Richard Wilson
Reed Erickson

MEMBERS EXCUSED:

Todd Robinson
Dan Jessen
Bret Howser

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE:

Nate Wiberg
Myron Lee
Lief Condie
Chris Chesnut
Ben Maughan (online)
Jeff Erickson (online)
Lauren Cabrera (online)

REPRESENTING:

Cedar City
UDOT
Enoch City
Kanarraville
Iron County Engineering
Iron County Planning

REPRESENTING:

Paragonah
Parowan City
Brian Head

REPRESENTING:

Five County AOG
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Sunrise Engineering
UDOT
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1. Quorum Declaration

The meeting was called to order at 1:51 PM by Chair Rob Dotson. A quorum was confirmed with five voting members present.

2. Approve Minutes – February 04, 2025

February 4, 2025, meeting minutes were presented.

- **Motion: Tyler Allred moved to approve the minutes.**
- **Second: Richard Wilson seconded the motion.**
- **Vote: Unanimously approved.**

3. ICRPO Upcoming Fiscal Year Funding

- **Presenter:** Nathan Wiberg
- Requested \$50,000 from Corridor Preservation Funds to support RPO planning operations, consistent with previous year's funding.
- UDOT contributed \$10,000 last year; similar support will be sought.
- There was a discussion on preparing for the transition to MPO status post-2030 Census.

Action Item:

- **Motion: Kent Fugal (Cedar City) made a motion to maintain the current funding level of \$50,000 for FY 2026,**
- **Second: Seconded by Reed Erickson (Iron County).**
- **Vote: Approved unanimously.**

4. Functional Classification

- **Presenter:** Ben Monning (UDOT Research Division)
Census urban area definitions are tied to the decennial census update.
- Urban boundary adjustments have been finalized; now focusing on road network functional classification.
- Part of the planning efforts includes an outreach effort to the local planning partners. There is a new web-based interactive mapping tool that local planning partners can use to make comments on the map.
- A new web-based interactive mapping tool was demonstrated.
 - Users can view existing classifications, propose updates, and add comments.
 - Focus on functionally classified roads: major collectors and above are federal-aid eligible.
- **Discussion:**
 - Discussion on including future/planned routes on the map (e.g., Cedar Belt Route).
 - The tool should allow for proposed and downgraded routes with proper contact information.
 - Clarification on differences between federal classifications vs local planning terms.

Follow-Up:

- Send instructions and links for map tool use.
- UDOT is seeking feedback and edits by the end of April (extensions possible).



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5. UDOT Transit Division Discussion

- **Presenter:** Christopher Chestnut (UDOT Transit Division)
- Overview of the Transit Transportation Investment Fund (TTIF). This program is funded by the legislature; it is statewide and is meant to improve transit capacity.
- Christopher is working to bring awareness to the program.
- Projects must be in phase 1 of the long-range plan, or a local government or entity can nominate a project to the commission for consideration.
- Eligible projects include vehicle purchases, shelters, transit expansion, active transportation near transit stops.
- Notable examples: Washington City, Brian Head.
- There was an emphasis on underutilization in southern Utah – encouragement for local nominations.
- Projects should aim for readiness.
- A 30% local match is required.

6. SS4A – Tracking Serious & Fatal Crashes and Goals

- There will be a meeting with Kimley-Horn the following day to go over this topic in detail. It was determined to move to the next agenda item.

7. Transportation Expo Discussion

- Date – The date for the Transportation Expo was set for October 9, 2025, 3:00 pm-7:00pm.
- Venue – Festival Hall
- Agreement to proceed without private sponsorships.
- Target participants: municipalities, UDOT, consultants that are working on local transportation projects, local law enforcement, transit, Patchwork Parkway, Inland Port, Active Transportation.
- Booth assignments will be organized.
- Marketing strategies: utility bill inserts, social media, newsletters, etc. Working to keep the cost down.
- Sign-in and survey via QR code planned for attendees.

8. Transportation Projects/Studies/Updates

- **Enoch City**
- Construction starting on 5200 North, from Half Mile Rd. to 600 East.
- Enoch will try to get Old Highway 91 resurfacing project out to bid in time for summer.
- The Utah Trails Network Technical Advisory meeting is on April 8th. Discussion will be connecting Enoch to Cedar City via trials.

Iron County

- Chip sealing extension near Three Peaks to support increased recreational use.
- Chip sealing Sage Hill Road from Iron Springs to Savage is currently being worked on.
- SS4A is going to the Commission on May 12.
- Hired Stanley Engineering to design Iron Springs Road. The funding is a federal grant via UDOT.
- The property owner approached the county wanting to finalize the transfer of property for a 100-foot right-of-way. The County is working through the appraisal and negotiation process.



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- I-15 project is out to bid and should be awarded within a few weeks. The project is anticipated to start in one and half to two and a half months.
- Kimley-Horn was hired to design the South Cedar Interchange.

9. Other Discussion Items

- RPO staff is reviewing parcel data in GIS for the Traffic demand model (notably challenging in western Iron County).

10. **Next Meeting** – June 03, 2025:

11. Rob Dotson Adjourned the meeting

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