



MINUTES
WFRC || Transportation Coordinating Committee
April 24, 2025

WFRC Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting was held at WFRC Office, 41 N Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City and via Zoom.

1. Welcome & Consent Agenda [00:00:05]

Commissioner Jim Harvey, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:34pm and excused Chair Mayor Mark Shepherd. After welcoming committee members and guests, introductions were made around the table for those attending in person, and the names of those attending online were read.

Commissioner Harvey stated that the group would come back to agenda item 1a, approval of the minutes from the previous meeting.

a. ACTION: Minutes of the Trans Com Meeting held February 20, 2025 [00:06:58]

A motion was made by Mayor Rob Dahle, and seconded by Mayor Joe Smolka, that the minutes of the meeting be approved as presented. The affirmative motion was carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report [00:03:23]

Commissioner Harvey turned the time to Wayne Bennion, WFRC Short Range Planning Director, for an update on two federal items: 1) ozone compliance (air quality non-attainment regulations for Utah have been relaxed), and 2) the Safe Streets and Roads for All year 2025 funding applications are available for local governments. They are due by June 26, 2024.

3. Public Comment [00:07:45]

Commissioner Harvey opened the meeting for public comments. There were none.

4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) [00:08:12]

a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2025-2030 TIP

Commissioner Harvey introduced Ben Wuthrich, WFRC Transportation Improvement Program Coordinator, who reported that since the last meeting of Trans Com, WFRC received requests to modify the current 2025-2030 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This modification was approved by the Regional Council at their March 27, 2025 meeting but did not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. Mr. Wuthrich referred Committee members to the meeting materials for information regarding these modifications.

b. ACTION: Recommend 2026-2031 Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Program [00:37:30]

Mr. Wuthrich then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the CMAQ program and the funding amounts available. He discussed the new CMAQ projects recommended in consultation with the Trans Com Technical Advisory Committees (TACs). There are two projects recommended for the Ogden/Layton Urban Area and four projects in the Salt Lake Urban Area.

c. ACTION: Recommend 2027 Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) [00:41:30]

Mr. Wuthrich then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the CRP and the funding amounts available. He discussed the CRP projects recommended in consultation with the TACs. There are two projects recommended for the Ogden/Layton Urban Area and three projects in the Salt Lake Urban Area.

[00:45:54] Mayor Joe Smolka made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the projects that have been discussed and reviewed for funding through the 2026-2031 Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality Program and the 2027 Carbon Reduction Program (CRP). Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, seconded the motion and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

d. ACTION: Recommend 2027 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) [00:46:47] Mr. Wuthrich then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the TAP and the funding amounts available. He discussed the new TAP projects recommended in consultation with the TACs. There are three projects recommended for the Ogden/Layton Urban Area and three projects in the Salt Lake Urban Area.

[00:53:18] Transportation Commissioner Kevin Van Tassel made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the projects that have been discussed and reviewed for funding through the 2027 Transportation Alternatives Program. Mayor Joe Smolka seconded the motion, and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

e. ACTION: Recommend 2026-2031 Surface Transportation Program (STP) [00:53:47] Mr. Wuthrich continued his report by reviewing the process for developing project recommendations and illustrated the value of both the approved technical criteria and other relevant professional considerations in the project evaluation process. He then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the STP and the funding amounts available. Mr. Wuthrich discussed the new STP projects recommended in consultation with the TACs. These included six projects to add to the STP in the Ogden/ Layton Urban Area and 10 projects to add in the Salt Lake Urban Area.

[01:03:06] Mayor Rob Dahle made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the projects that were discussed and reviewed for funding through the 2026-2031 Surface Transportation Program. Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, seconded the motion, and the affirmative vote was unanimous.

5. Other Business and Adjournment [01:04:02]

As there were no other items of business brought forward, Commissioner Harvey noted that the next Trans Com meeting will be held on Thursday, June 19, 2025. He then entertained a motion to adjourn. The motion was made by Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, and seconded by Mayor Joe Smolka, and was unanimously approved. The meeting ended at 2:39pm.

Transportation Coordinating Committee (Trans Com) April 24, 2025				
2025 TRANS COM MEMBERS			Present	Others in attendance
BOX ELDER COUNTY				Kendall Draney, UDOT
Member -	Kevin Jeppsen, Mayor	Perry City	No	Chad Beutler, UTA
Alternate -	Tyler Vincent, Commissioner	Box Elder County	No	Brooke Stewart, Weber Co
DAVIS COUNTY				

Member -	Mark Shepherd, Mayor (Chair)	Clearfield	No	
Alternate -	Scott Wiggill, Mayor	Sunset	No	
Member -	Kendalyn Harris, Mayor	Bountiful	Yes	
Alternate -	Brian Vincent, Mayor	West Point	No	
MORGAN COUNTY				
Member-	Steve Gale, Mayor	Morgan City	No	
Alternate -	Raelene Blocker, Commissioner	Box Elder County	No	
SALT LAKE COUNTY				
Member -	Dirk Burton, Mayor	West Jordan	No	
Alternate -	Lorin Palmer, Mayor	Herriman	Yes	
Member -	Natalie Hall, Mayor	Bluffdale	No	
Member -	Rob Dahle, Mayor	Holladay	Yes	
Member -	Joe Smolka, Mayor	Emigration Township	Yes	
Alternate -	Mike Weichers, Mayor	Cottonwood Heights	No	
Alternate -	Laurie Stringham, Councilmember	Salt Lake County Council	No	
Alternate -	Dan Dugan, Councilmember	Salt Lake City Council	No	
TOOELE COUNTY				
Member -	Jared Hamner, Councilmember	Tooele County	No	
Alternate -	Craig Smith, Councilmember	Erda City	No	
WEBER COUNTY				
Member -	Jim Harvey, Commissioner (Vice Chair)	Weber County	Yes	
Alternate -	Ken Richey, Councilmember	Ogden City	No	
Member -	Sheri Bingham, Mayor	Hooper	Yes	
Alternate -	Braden Mitchell, Mayor	Riverdale	No	WFRC Staff:
OTHER APPOINTMENTS				Ted Knowlton
Member -	Kevin Van Tassell, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	Yes	Chay Mosqueda
Member -	Brad Dee, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Julie Bjornstad
Member -	Carlton Christensen, Trustee	UTA	Yes	Hugh Van Wagenen
Member -	Beth Holbrook, Trustee	UTA	Yes	Jory Johner
Member -	Jeff Silvestrini, Millcreek Mayor	Utah Air Quality Board	No	Wayne Bennion
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				Ben Wuthrich
Member -	Ben Huot, Deputy Director	UDOT	Yes	Johnnae Nardone
Alternate -	Tiffany Pocock, Program Development Dir.	UDOT	No	Ellie Spencer
Member -	Nichol Bourdeaux, Chief Planning & Engmt Ofc	UTA	No	Byron Head
Alternate -	Jaron Robertson, Planning Director	UTA	Yes	Matt Ryan
Member	Bryce Bird, Director	Department of Air Quality	No	Jordon Chandler
Member	Ivan Marrero	Federal Highway Association	No	Rosie Hernandez
Member	Trisha Sharma	Federal Highway Association	Yes	Andrea Pearson
Member	Jim Miller, Saratoga Springs Mayor	Mountainland Association of Governments	No	

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