

**Utah Department of Transportation
Utah Transportation Commission
North Utah County Area Road Tour
Thursday, August 13, 2026**

On Thursday, August 13, 2026, Utah Transportation Commissioners, UDOT staff and others departed from the UDOT Region Three office, located at 658 North 1500 West, Orem, at 2:34 p.m. for a tour of the surrounding area. Those in attendance included:

- Transportation Commissioners: Jim Evans, Natalie Gochmour, Brad Dee, Bruce Adams, Tom Jacobson, Paul Borup
- UDOT Staff: Carlos Braceras, Ben Huot, Lisa Wilson, Heather Barthold, Andrew Gwynn, Andy Spencer, Boyd Humphreys, Jared Beard, Jeff Lewis, Josh Van Jura, Kelly Ash, Lisa Zundel, Matt Johnson, Matt Parker, Nathan Peterson, Paul Egbert, Rob Clayton, Robert Stewart, Tyler Faddis, Wyatt Woolley
- Others: Brigitte Mandel, Carolyn Lundberg, Jamie Evans, Karen McCandless, Kevin Feldt, LaNiece Davenport

The bus traveled from Orem through Lindon, Pleasant Grove, American Fork and Lehi, as the following projects were discussed:

- **1600 North, Lindon and Orem:** This \$64.3 million project is widening 1600 North (SR-241) between 1200 West and State Street in Orem, enhancing access to I-15 and State Street, and adding a shared-use path and bike lanes to increase vehicle capacity and enhance safety for people who bike or walk. Construction will be complete in 2027.
- **Pleasant Grove Area Capacity Improvements:** Completed in winter 2024, this \$16 million project improved mobility and safety at the Pleasant Grove Boulevard/North County Boulevard intersection and the northbound I-15 on-ramp by expanding the intersection to accommodate additional turning movements, installing traffic signals north and south of the intersection, converting a through lane to a right-turn lane at the northbound I-15 on-ramp, and repairing and resurfacing pavement.
- **US-89 Widening, Pleasant Grove to 500 East American Fork:** UDOT is improving US-89 (State Street) between 200 South in Pleasant Grove and 500 East in American Fork to improve safety, reduce congestion, and provide better transportation options for drivers, pedestrians, bicyclists, and transit users. The project will be completed in two phases, due to delays related to the Union Pacific Railroad. The \$35 million Phase I has been completed and focused on the 500 East intersection in American Fork and the Pleasant Grove Boulevard/200 South area including a roadway microsurface treatment, as well as intersection, drainage, pedestrian-access and railroad crossing improvements. Phase 2 is funded at \$7 million dollars and will complete the major roadway improvements along the remaining portion of the corridor, widening US-89 from 700 East in American Fork to 1300 West in Pleasant Grove. The improvements will include widening State Street to 3 lanes in each direction, adding turn lanes at intersections, adding buffered bicycle lanes on both sides of the corridor, improving railroad crossings at

700 east in American Fork, North County Boulevard, and 1300 West in Pleasant Grove, modifying roadway approaches to provide better alignment with existing railroad-grade crossings and improving drainage and pedestrian access. Phase II design began in April 2025, with construction anticipated to start in Summer 2027.

- **Northwest Utah County Improved Program:**
 - Completed projects:
 - Mountain View Corridor, 2100 North to Porter Rockwell
 - Currently under construction:
 - 2100 North Freeway, Mountain View Corridor to I-15
 - Pioneer Crossing, Operational Improvements Flex Lanes
 - Future projects:
 - Mountain View Corridor, SR-73 to 2100 North & Cory Wride Freeway, Ranches Parkway to Mountain View Corridor
 - Mountain View Corridor South: Extending SR-85 to Pelican Point, SR-68
- **Pioneer Crossing Flex Lanes:** This \$71.3 million project is in active construction and on track to be complete by the end of 2026. Pioneer Crossing experiences heavy directional traffic during peak hours. To address these traffic issues, the existing shoulders and center median are being removed between I-15 and Redwood Road to allow for additional travel lanes. A lane control system will be installed to utilize the new travel lanes in the peak direction of travel during the peak hours.
- **PEL Study:** The \$5 million Northern Utah County Planning and Environmental Linkage (PEL) Study is a collaborative effort between UDOT and the Mountainland Association of Governments (MAG) to develop a long-term transportation vision for northern Utah County through 2055 and beyond. As the region surrounding Utah Lake continues to experience rapid population growth, the study will evaluate future transportation needs and identify community-supported strategies to improve regional mobility, local access, connectivity and multimodal travel. Building on existing regional transportation plans, the PEL process will assess transportation corridors and potential improvements - including an initial evaluation of a possible Utah Lake Crossing - to support informed decision making, corridor preservation and future environmental review, design and construction.
- **Cory Wride and Mountain View Corridor:** In early 2026, the Utah Transportation Commission created the Cory Wride (SR-73) and Mountain View Corridor Freeways; Ranches Parkway to 2100 North project by combining two planned program projects into one in order to accelerate the final design and construction of these freeway improvements and help ensure the key intersection of the two roadways is effectively designed to meet the area's transportation needs. Preconstruction and design for the \$1.012 billion combined project has already begun, with construction starting as early as 2029, following completion of the 2100 North freeway.
- **2100 North Freeway:** Funded at \$621.32 million, this project will build 2.8 miles of new freeway on 2100 North (SR-194) in Lehi to improve east-west travel times and overall connectivity for drivers across northwest Utah County. When finished in late 2028, the 2100 North Freeway will provide a

freeway to freeway connection between I-15 and Mountain View Corridor and save east-west commuters about 12 minutes in each direction on their daily commute during peak periods.

- **Vineyard Connector:** Funded at \$4.7 million, the proposed Vineyard Connector would create a new transportation corridor along the west side of I-15, between Utah Lake and the interstate, serving the communities of Vineyard, Lindon, Pleasant Grove, American Fork and Lehi. By providing an additional travel route through this rapidly growing area of Utah County, the connector would improve regional connectivity, offer drivers an alternative to I-15, and help reduce traffic congestion and dependence on the interstate, enhancing mobility, increasing transportation network resiliency, and better accommodating current and future travel demand.

The bus returned to the Region Three office at 4:20 p.m., and the tour ended.



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