The Utah Transportation Commission, UDOT staff members and other departed for an area tour in Sanpete County at 2:01 p.m. on Thursday, October 13, 2016 from the Willow Creek Inn, located at 450 South Main Street in Ephraim. Those in attendance included:

- Commissioners: J. Kent Millington, Wayne Barlow, Dannie McConkie, Naghi Zeenati, Gayle McKeachnie, Lew Cramer
- UDOT Staff: Carlos Braceras, Shane Marshall, Heather Barthold, Bill Lawrence, Daryl Friant, Kevin Kitchen, Kirk Thornock, Lisa Wilson, Nathan Lee, Randy Park, Rick Torgerson, Robert Dowell
- Others: Brigitte Mandel, Charlene McConkie, Ivan Marrero, Jamie Evans, Kathlene McKeachnie, Linda Millington, Tweet Zeenati

As the bus traveled along US-89 toward Manti, Daryl Friant, UDOT Region Four District Engineer, told the group about the project that will expand the roadway to four lanes between Manti and Ephraim. Phase one constructed the additional lanes from Manti to Keller Lane. 2.5 miles of roadway into Ephraim remain to be constructed. Daryl also talked about the upcoming preservation project on US-89 at the north Manti entrance that will make intersection and road alignment adjustments for safer transitions into town and cleaner striping and right-of-way delineation. Additional lanes will carry traffic through the S-turns to Main Street.

The bus traveled back through Ephraim on US-89 and turned on Center Street (SR-290), making a loop around Snow College. Robert Dowell, UDOT Region Four Traffic Operations Engineer, talked about improvements and beautification enhancements done in coordination with Ephraim City to provide safe and aesthetic pedestrian passage and accommodate new development.

The bus continued north along US-89, and Robert talked about the section of roadway between Ephraim to Pigeon Hollow. He talked about the operational and intersection improvements near the traffic intensive retail sector and industrial intersection, which include passing opportunities for mix of freight, agriculture and passenger vehicles.

The bus turned onto SR-132, where Robert discussed the requests and need for turn lanes. He also told the group about the pavement rehabilitation and partnering with Fountain Green City to address Main Street curb and gutter consistency and compatibility with city pedestrian enhancements.

As the bus headed back to Ephraim, Daryl discussed the SR-31 Fairview Canyon slope structural repair, and Kevin Kitchen, UDOT Region Four Communications Manager, talked about coordinating canyon commutes with local area mines, and wildlife collision problems on US-89 were also discussed.

The bus returned to Willow Creek Inn, and the tour concluded at 4:03 p.m.