



CANYON TRAFFIC MITIGATION OPTIONS

Cottonwood Heights City
Town Hall Meeting

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Cottonwood Heights has been working with other organizations on the issue throughout the summer.

Utah Transit Authority
Utah Department of Transportation
Central Wasatch Commission
Salt Lake County
Corporate Centers



INTRODUCTION

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POLICY ISSUES



- Snow Tires in Wasatch Canyons (BCC & LCC)
- Rental Car Snow Tire Requirements
- Distinguishing 4wd Vehicles
- Chain Options
- Staging area for bus trade-out in case of mechanical issues.
- Ski resort PM traffic control assistance (metering)
- Possibility to adjust UTA's official Change Day to better match ski resort opening and closing dates. Would require additional resources.
- Opportunity to sponsor additional transit service.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Eliminate Bingham Junction TRAX Stop.

What we gain:

Increase of one-way trips from 61 weekday, 65 Saturday, and 62 Sunday to 79 all week.

Estimated Cost \$50,000 annually for operations.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Add additional service and minimize “deadhead” time.

What we gain:

Increase of one-way trips from 17 weekday, 23 weekend to 35 all week.

Estimated cost \$100,000 annually for operations.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Eliminate interior ski racks.

What we gain:

Faster loading and 10-17% increased capacity within each bus.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Heavy traffic Bus police escort from Bengal Blvd to LCC and 3000 East.

What we gain:

Faster cycle time by eliminating waiting in traffic.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Separation of buses and cars in upper LCC, with one mode on bypass road and the other on the highway.

What we gain:

Faster cycle time by eliminating waiting in traffic.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Consolidation of resort bus stops.

What we gain:

Faster cycle time by eliminating stops and navigating through resort bases.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



UTA Mass Transit Options:

Eliminate transit service to LCC Park and Ride Lot.

What we gain:

Faster cycle time by eliminating stops. Reserved parking lot for car-pools and Ride Share vans.

- Stop caused delays because of bad circulation.

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TRANSPORTATION ISSUES



Eliminate Bus Stops at LCC Park & Ride Lot – Resorts to discuss impact and benefits to employees and skiers and report back.

- ▶ Lot becomes carpool lot only.

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ENFORCEMENT ISSUES



- Increased Enforcement (UDOT, Unified Police Department, Cottonwood Heights and Ski Areas)
- Funding for Enforcement
- Snow Tire & Chain regulations
- Four Wheel Drive

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ROADS ISSUES



- Additional Snow Removal Vehicles
- Traffic Control Vehicles
- CH officers directing safe passage ingress/egress of local area residents in and out of neighborhoods onto Wasatch Blvd.

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COMMUNICATIONS



- Canyon Communication Tool/App:
- Single Source (to entities & digital boards)
- Coordinating Ride Sharing and Transit Info
- Signage and apps in Valley and in Canyons
- UDOT hiring Full Time Canyons Communication Position.

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ROADS TRAFFIC FLOW IMPROVEMENTS AND BIKE LANES

- Reducing spots of peak congestion:
- High-T Intersections (in the Canyons)
- Merge Lanes
- Priority for buses
- Address on-road parking as part of EIS



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ROADS TRAFFIC FLOW IMPROVEMENTS AND BIKE LANES

- Tolling Decision Making
- Trailhead and Toilets
- Improvements to alleviate/remove on-road parking in winter,
- Considering visitor use number and location impacts
- Safe & appropriately planed bike lantes



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