

SB 92SI (2020GS)
STATEWIDE COMPREHENSIVE
RAIL PLAN

This bill establishes a statewide comprehensive plan for public transit, freight, and any other use of fixed rail to fully and efficiently integrate all uses of rail within the state to maximize long range economic goals.

VISION

Utah has a national reputation for forward-looking planning for transportation investment through Utah's Unified Transportation Plan, which is developed collaboratively by all of Utah's transportation agencies. That Unified Plan considers passenger rail -- including FrontRunner and TRAX.

Utah is also the crossroads of the west for freight rail.

SB92 would build upon Utah's existing planning efforts to consider the potential interplay between our passenger and freight rail systems.





LEGISLATIVE OBJECTIVES

- Can we achieve operational and cost efficiencies by utilizing shared passenger and freight track?
- Can we expand the reach and use of passenger and freight rail?
- Can we improve air quality and mitigate congestion?
- SB92 would look beyond the rail system itself and consider ways to maximize transit-oriented development. This approach may increase the access people have to job opportunities and housing.

SB 92SI DETAILS
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- ▶ Requires the Department of Transportation (UDOT) to develop a statewide comprehensive plan for public transit, freight, and any other use of fixed rail to fully and efficiently integrate all uses of rail within the state;
- ▶ Requires UDOT to provide information and opportunity for public comment;
- ▶ Requires UDOT to consult with public transit providers, state and local governments, relevant federal agencies, metropolitan planning organizations, and private rail companies; and
- ▶ Requires an annual report to the Transportation Interim Committee and the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim Committee.