Statewide MPOs Regional **Roadway Grid Study**

Project Status Update

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Road Networks, Then and Now













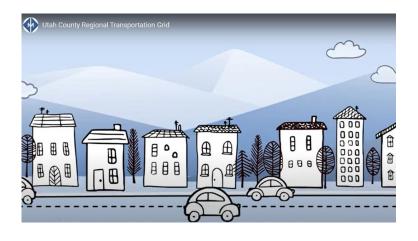


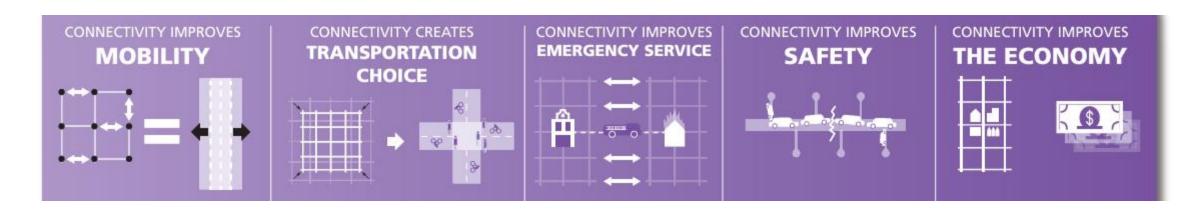


Grid Network Benefits

Building on prior research and studies to identify new, regionally significant connections and projects to improve mobility for all four of Utah's MPO regions





















Study Goals

Assess Connectivity and **Grid Function**

We will assess how each of our MPO regions perform as a regional grid network for all modes, and where connectivity challenges exist now and in the future.

Develop Solutions

Develop, test, and prioritize new and improved connections that help each region's network function better and realize grid network benefits.

Prepare to Implement

Prepare localities and agencies with a toolbox to formalize recommendations in plans and pursue implementation, including cost estimates and funding / ownership options.















Project Partners



















Key Work Items

Define and communicate an ideal grid and its benefits for each of the four MPO areas

PHA

- Develop common definitions, typologies, and performance metrics
- Identify gaps and potential solutions
- Prioritize solutions with greatest multimodal benefits

- Assess highway jurisdictional ownership and shed light on process
- Develop potential refinements to ownership criteria and transfer process











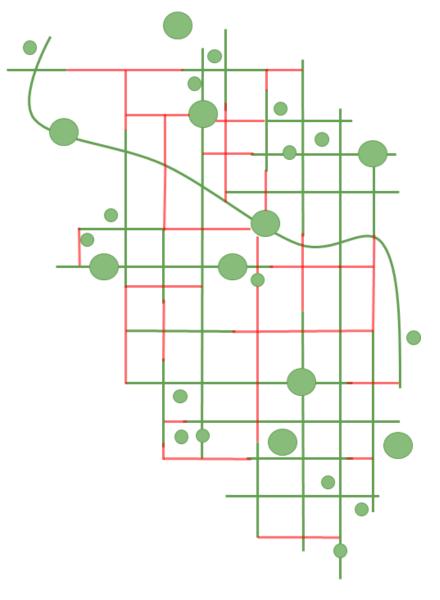




Assessing Our Grids

What's missing...

- Today?
- As anticipated growth occurs?













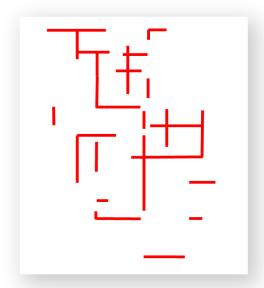




Prioritizing Solutions

Evaluate

The project team will identify and evaluate packages of potential projects



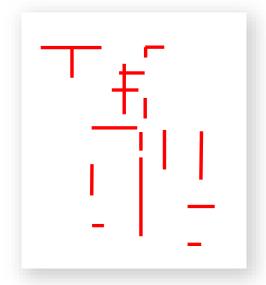
Refine

Projects will be prioritized into a ranked list, separated into high, medium, and low priority options



Select

High-priority projects will bed into a one-page summaries, with planning-level benefit/impact metrics included

















Understanding Road Ownership

- **Review jurisdictional transfers** from the last decade to gather local and UDOT perspectives on what works and what doesn't
- **Research other states' models** to understand different approaches to allocating municipal, county, and state ownership of roads
- **Develop recommendations** for potential process improvements and better aligning ownership to facilitate an enhanced grid network















Stakeholder Outreach

Leveraging existing committees and professional organizations to gather informed input from a range of stakeholders, such as:

- MPO Technical Advisory Committees
- Utah League of Cities and Towns Fall Conference
- **Utah Transportation Conference**
- Cache Summit
- Others TBD















Roles in Implementation

MPOs



UDOT





































Project Schedule

Utah MPO Grid Study Schedule

	2024								2025										
Month	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	
Task 1 - Project Management																			
1.0 Project Initiation																			
1.1 Steering Committee Meetings																			
1.2 MPO-Level Meetings																			
1.3 Internal Team Meetings																			
Task 2 - Regional Grid Network Development																			
2.1 Project Guidebook																			
2.2 Stakeholder Outreach																			
2.3 Layered Network + Gap Analysis																			
2.4 Typologies and Project Identification																			
2.5 Prioritized Project List																			
Task 3 - Jurisdictional Ownership																			
3.1 JT Database and Interviews																			
3.2 Optimal Ownership Criteria																			
3.3 Code and Rules Recommendations																			
3.4 Funding Recommendations																			
Task 4 - Final Report																			
4.1 Storymap																			
4.2 Legislative Whitepapers																		_	
4.3 JT Summary Document																·	·		











