



July 9, 2024

Carlos Braceras, P.E, Executive Director  
Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT)  
P.O. Box 141265  
SLC, UT 84114-1265

Re: Letter of Support for UDOT's Environmental Impact Study (EIS) Process encompassing Heber Valley Corridor and Related Priority Outcomes

Dear Mr. Braceras:

On behalf of Wasatch County, Heber City, Midway City and Wasatch County School District, we write in support of UDOT's EIS process for the Heber Valley Corridor and the work UDOT is completing on our behalf to improve regional and local mobility on U.S. 40 from S.R. 32 to U.S. 189 through 2050 while allowing Heber to achieve its vision for the City's historic downtown center.

We are unified and committed to working with UDOT to achieve a functional corridor alignment while remaining focused on the following five (5) related priority outcomes:

- 1) The Heber Valley Corridor alignment should preserve open space in the North Fields, to the greatest extent possible, as a paramount priority for our community, and as a defining attribute of our Valley;
- 2) The Corridor alignment should maximize quality of life (i.e. preservation of the view shed over Heber Valley, reduction of commute times, and traffic congestion) and improve safety for our citizens;
- 3) The Corridor alignment should emphasize and maximize movement of traffic through the Valley by limiting access points;
- 4) The Corridor alignment should consider and seek to support and contribute to the vitality and success of Heber City's downtown and its Envision Central Heber goals of transitioning the downtown into an economically vibrant destination location for Wasatch County citizens and visitors; and
- 5) The Corridor design should maintain and contribute to the beauty of Heber Valley and minimize environmental impacts, by incorporating landscaping, trees, berms, and other proven means to screen traffic movements, reduce noise, preserve the area's water shed and Provo River water quality.

We look forward to working with you, and UDOT Region 3 representatives, as you bring forward the results of the EIS and make recommendations to finalize a Corridor alignment that achieves the five priority outcomes listed above.

Most sincerely,

Heber City  
Midway City  
Wasatch County  
Wasatch County School District

cc: Rob Clayton, Region 3 Director  
Craig Hancock, Region 3 Project Manager

Heber City

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