



WASATCH FRONT REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES WFRC || Transportation Coordinating Committee April 30, 2026

WFRC Transportation Coordinating Committee Meeting was held at WFRC Office, 41 N Rio Grande Street, Salt Lake City and via Zoom.

1. Welcome & Consent Agenda [00:00:05]

Commissioner Jim Harvey, Vice Chair, called the meeting to order at 1:32pm and excused Chair Mayor Mark Shepherd. After welcoming committee members and guests, introductions were made around the table for those attending in person, and the names of those attending online were read.

a. ACTION: Minutes of the Trans Com Meeting held February 19, 2026 [00:05:05]

A motion was made by Mayor Dirk Burton and seconded by Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, that the minutes of the meeting be approved as presented. The affirmative motion was carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report [00:06:02]

Commissioner Harvey turned the time to Wayne Bennion, Short Range Planning Director, for updates. Mr. Bennion briefly discussed two of the primary products of WFRC, which are the Regional Transportation Plan (RTP), and the Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). He stated that the projects that are included in the RTP's first phase or first 10 years of the plan, are then included in the TIP. He encouraged the group to participate in the RTP's public comment period which runs through May 13. Mr. Bennion then reminded the group of the Safe Streets 4 All (SS4A) funding opportunity as well as the Comprehensive Safety Action Plan, which identifies transportation safety needs in their communities. Mr. Bennion also reported that the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has made a preliminary determination that any ozone causing pollutants that are blown in from outside of Utah will no longer be counted towards Utah's attainment conformity levels. More information as well as any pertinent links will be provided in the Trans Com follow up email that will be sent.

3. Public Comment [00:21:05]

Commissioner Harvey opened the meeting for public comments. There were none.

4. Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) [00:21:30]

a. Report on Board Modifications to the 2026-2031 TIP

Commissioner Harvey introduced Ben Wuthrich, WFRC Transportation Improvement Program Coordinator, who reported that since the last meeting of Trans Com, WFRC received requests to modify the current 2026-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). This modification was approved by the Regional Council at their March 26, 2026 meeting but did not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. Mr. Wuthrich referred Committee members to the meeting materials for information regarding these modifications.

b. ACTION: Board Modifications to the 2026-2031 TIP [00:24:25]

Mr. Wuthrich continued his report, stating that there were new requests to modify the 2026-2031 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP). These modifications require action from Trans Com and the State Transportation Commission but do not require a new air quality conformity analysis or a 30-day public comment period. Mr. Wuthrich briefly discussed each project.

[00:26:42] ACTION: Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, made a motion to approve the resolution to modify the 2026-2031 TIP as requested, seconded by Councilmember Dan Dugan. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

c. ACTION: Recommend 2027-2032 Congestion Mitigation/Air Quality (CMAQ) Program and

d. ACTION: Recommend 2028 Carbon Reduction Program (CRP) [00:27:14]

Mr. Wuthrich then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the CMAQ and CRP programs and the funding amounts available. He stated that the new projects were recommended in consultation with the Trans Com Technical Advisory Committees (TACs). **[01:12:34] ACTION:** Mayor Dirk Burton made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the projects that have been discussed and reviewed for funding through the 2027-2032 Congestion Mitigation / Air Quality Program and the 2028 Carbon Reduction Program. Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, seconded the motion and the

affirmative vote was unanimous.

e. ACTION: Recommend 2028 Transportation Alternatives Program (TAP) [01:13:20]

Mr. Wuthrich then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the TAP and the funding amounts available. He discussed the new TAP projects recommended in consultation with the TACs. [01:17:09]

ACTION: Carlton Christensen, UTA Trustee, made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the 2028 Transportation Alternatives Program as requested, which was seconded by Councilmember Dan Dugan. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

f. ACTION: Recommend 2027-2032 Surface Transportation Program (STP) [01:17:50]

Mr. Wuthrich continued his report by reviewing the process for developing project recommendations and illustrated the value of both the approved technical criteria and other relevant professional considerations in the project evaluation process. He then reviewed the anticipated annual apportionments for the STP and the funding amounts available. Mr. Wuthrich discussed the new STP projects recommended in consultation with the TACs. [01:29:00]

ACTION: Councilmember Brooke D'Sousa made a motion to recommend that the Regional Council approve the projects that were discussed and reviewed for funding through the 2027-2032 Surface Transportation Program. Utah Air Quality Board representative, Michelle Bujdoso, seconded the motion. The affirmative vote was unanimous.

5. Other Business and Adjournment [01:30:28]

Commissioner Jim Harvey reminded the group that the next Trans Com meeting will be held on Thursday, June 18, 2026. He entertained a motion to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Cheri Jackson made the motion, which was seconded by Councilmember Laurie Stringham. The meeting adjourned at 3:03pm.

A recording of this meeting, as well as meeting packet materials, may be found on the WFRC website at www.wfrc.utah.gov.

Transportation Coordinating Committee (Trans Com)

2026 TRANS COM MEMBERS			Present	Others in attendance
BOX ELDER COUNTY				
Member -	Kevin Jeppsen, Mayor	Perry City	No	Holly Pearson, SL County
Alternate -	Tyler Vincent, Commissioner	Box Elder County	No	Adam Olsen, Midvale City
DAVIS COUNTY				Brooke Stewart, Weber Co.
Member -	Mark Shepherd, Mayor (Chair)	Clearfield	No	Chandler Beutler, UTA
Alternate -	Scott Wiggill, Mayor	Sunset	No	Jed Bell
Member -	John Crofts, Commissioner	Davis County	No	
Alternate -	Brian Vincent, Mayor	West Point	No	
MORGAN COUNTY				
Member-	Steve Gale, Mayor	Morgan City	Yes	
Alternate -	Raelene Blocker, Commissioner	Morgan County	Yes	

SALT LAKE COUNTY				
Member -	Dirk Burton, Mayor	West Jordan	Yes	
Alternate -	Lorin Palmer, Mayor	Herriman	Yes	
Member -	Laurie Stringham, Councilmember	Salt Lake County	Yes	
Member -	Dan Dugan, Councilmember	Salt Lake City	Yes	
Member -	Brooke D'Sousa, Councilmember	Sandy City	Yes	
Alternate -	Cheri Jackson, Mayor	Millcreek	Yes	
Alternate -	Paul Fotheringham, Mayor	Holladay	Yes	
Alternate -	David Brems, Mayor	Emigration Canyon	Yes	
TOOELE COUNTY				
Member -	Erik Stromberg, Councilmember	Tooele County	Yes	
Alternate -	Sheldon Birch, Councilmember	Erda City	No	
WEBER COUNTY				
Member -	Jim Harvey, Commissioner (Vice Chair)	Weber County	Yes	WFRC Staff:
Alternate -	Richard Hyer, Councilmember	Ogden City	No	Andrew Gruber
Member -	Sheri Bingham, Mayor	Hooper	No	Wayne Bennion
Alternate -	Braden Mitchell, Mayor	Riverdale	Yes	Ben Wuthrich
OTHER APPOINTMENTS				
Member -	Tom Jacobson, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Ted Knowlton
Member -	Natalie Gochmour, Commissioner	Utah Transportation Commission	No	Hugh Van Wagenen
Member -	Carlton Christensen, Trustee	UTA Board	No	Fariba Soltani
Member -	Beth Holbrook, Trustee	UTA Board	Yes	Johnnae Nardone
Member -	Beth Holbrook, Trustee	UTA Board	Yes	Sarah Lawless
Member -	Michelle Bujdoso	Utah Air Quality Board	Yes	Rosie Hernandez
NON-VOTING MEMBERS				
Member -	Ben Huot, Deputy Director	UDOT	No	Jordon Chandler
Member -	Ben Huot, Deputy Director	UDOT	No	Andrea Pearson
Alternate -	Tiffany Pocock, Program Dev. Dir.	UDOT	No	
Member -	Nichol Bourdeaux, Chief Planning & Engmt Ofc.	UTA	No	
Alternate -	Jaron Robertson, Planning Director	UTA	No	
Member	Bryce Bird, Director	Division of Air Quality	Yes	
Member	Ivan Marrero, Division Administrator	FHWA	No	
Member	Kelly Lund, Planner, Utah Division	FHWA	No	
Member	Chris Carn, Mayor, Saratoga Springs	MAG	Yes	