

# MP 11 Environmental Study

July 11, 2017

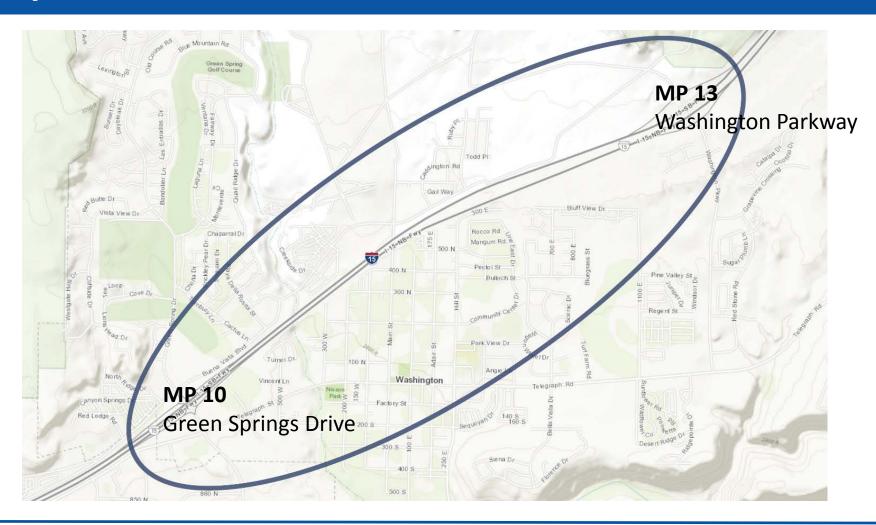


# History/Background

- I-15 Corridor Study MP 0-42 (2008)
- MP 0-16 Environmental Assessment (2013)
- Telegraph Road & Green Springs Drive Intersection Study (2014)
- MP 11 Interchange Concept Study (2015)
- Dixie MPO Long Range Transportation Plan (2015-2040)



# Study Area





Jun 2017 – Sept 2017

#### **Purpose & Need**

Aug 2017 – Oct 2017

### Alternatives Development & Screening

Oct 2017 - Feb 2018

#### Environmental Resource Analyses

Feb 2018 – May 2018

### Prepare Environmental Study

May 2018 – Jun 2018

#### Public Hearing & 30-Day Comment Period

Jun 2018 – Aug 2018

### Finalize Environmental Study

Aug 2018 – Oct 2018

#### **Decision**

Winter 2018

# **Environmental Study Process**

### **Environmental Study**

- Decision-making tool
- Identifies potential solutions to improve traffic
- Process driven, not schedule driven
  - Approximately 18 months



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## Scoping (Jun – Sep 2017)

- Gather data and input (transportation needs and social, economic, and environmental issues)
  - Agencies
  - General public
  - Key stakeholders
- Hold Public Open House (Scoping) on August 29, 2017
- Use feedback to shape Environmental Study





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## Purpose and Need (Aug – Oct 2017)

- Define transportation needs in the study area
  - Public/Agency input from scoping
  - Current and projected traffic data
  - Population projections
  - Land use changes
  - Planned economic development



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## Alternatives (Oct 2017 – Feb 2018)

- Consider and evaluate a wide range of alternatives
  - Build Alternatives
  - No-action Alternative
- Hold Public Open House (Alternatives)
- Screen Alternatives
  - Purpose and Need
  - Impacts to natural and human environment
- Select alternatives to be evaluated in detail





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# Environmental Resource Analyses

(Feb – May 2018)

- Evaluate the potential social, economic, and environmental impacts for each alternative selected for detailed study
  - Land Use
  - Farmland
  - Social Environment
  - Economic Conditions
  - Right-of-Way and Relocations
  - Environmental Justice Populations (low-income and minority populations)
  - Pedestrian and Bicycle Issues
  - Air Quality
  - Noise
  - Cultural (Archaeological and Architectural Resources)

- Paleontological Resources
- Section 4(f) and Section 6(f) Resources
- Wetlands
- Water Quality
- Floodplains
- Threatened & Endangered Species
- Wildlife
- Hazardous Materials
- Soils and Geology
- Visual and Aesthetic Resources
- Construction Impacts



Purpose & Need **Alternatives Environmental Resource Analyses Prepare Environmental** Study **30-Day Comment** Period **Finalize Environmental** Study Decision

# Prepare Environmental Study (May – Jun 2018)

- Compile Environmental Study
  - Summarize Purpose and Need
  - Present alternatives development and screening process
  - Describe the potential impacts for each alternative selected for detailed study



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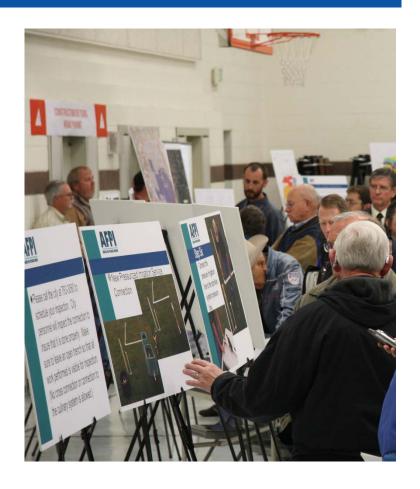
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# Public Hearing and 30-Day Comment Period (Jun – Aug 2018)

- Initiate formal 30-day comment period
- Hold Public Hearing
- Gather comments on
  - Environmental Study
  - Alternatives development and screening
  - Environmental Analyses
  - Preferred Alternative





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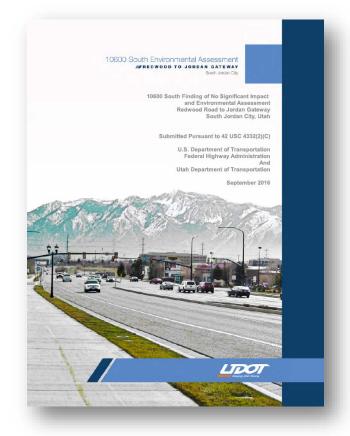
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# Finalize Environmental Study (Aug – Oct 2018)

- Formally respond to comments in document
- Finalize Environmental Study





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## Decision (Winter 2018)

• Issue Decision Document

## Public Involvement

- Community Coordination Team (CCT)
- Public Launch
- Public meetings and comment periods
  - Scoping (Summer 2017)
  - Alternatives (Early 2018)
  - Public Hearing (Fall 2018)
- Website, hotline, and email