

UTAH TRAIL NETWORK

Visionary TRAIL MAP



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Keeping Utah Moving



“Generations from now people will look back at this moment and realize how pivotal the Utah Trail Network was in changing the way we travel. These projects will connect communities in ways that provide transportation choices for everyone to commute, recreate and enjoy.”

UDOT Executive Director Carlos Braceras

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BACKGROUND and VISION

During the 2023 Utah legislative session, SB 185 was passed, allocating \$45 million in ongoing funding and \$45 million in one-time funding to the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT). This funding is dedicated to the creation and operation of the Utah Trail Network, a paved regional trail system throughout the state of Utah. To manage this initiative, UDOT established a new Trails Division to oversee the funding and implement the program.

The vision for the Utah Trail Network is to create a statewide network of paved trails focused on providing active transportation travel options for everyone. The network aims to connect Utahns to essential destinations such as jobs, schools, and other daily activities, offering a comfortable and reliable option for walking, biking, and scooting. The completed network will form a regional trail spine, or backbone, with local active transportation facilities connecting in, allowing for easy travel and use over various distances.

Beyond its primary function, the Utah Trail Network will be a vibrant public space where people can gather, socialize, and engage in outdoor activities together. It aims to enhance community well-being by promoting a sense of shared community spirit through outdoor experiences.



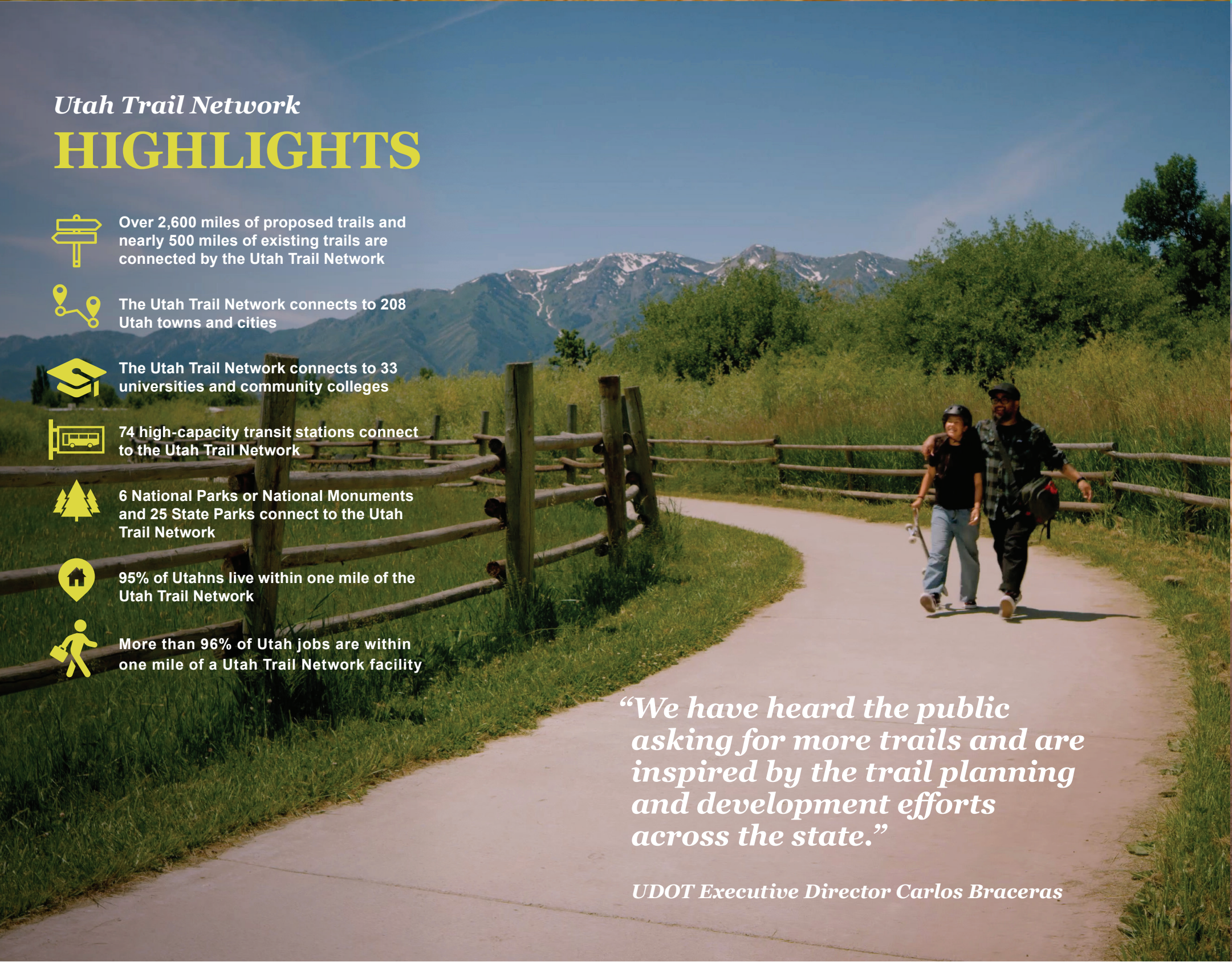
WELCOME!

UDOT has a vision to build a network of paved trails throughout the state that connects Utahns of all ages and abilities to their destinations and communities. It's called the Utah Trail Network!

Imagine the freedom of walking to the store without traffic, biking to school on a scenic route, or rolling to a doctor's appointment with ease. These trails are designed to make daily travel more convenient and enjoyable. This is a vision focused on enhancing the lives of all Utahns from eight to eighty years old, connecting us more fully to the people and communities that make our state a place we love.

Utah Trail Network HIGHLIGHTS

-  Over 2,600 miles of proposed trails and nearly 500 miles of existing trails are connected by the Utah Trail Network
-  The Utah Trail Network connects to 208 Utah towns and cities
-  The Utah Trail Network connects to 33 universities and community colleges
-  74 high-capacity transit stations connect to the Utah Trail Network
-  6 National Parks or National Monuments and 25 State Parks connect to the Utah Trail Network
-  96% of Utahns live within one mile of the Utah Trail Network
-  More than 96% of Utah jobs are within one mile of a Utah Trail Network facility



“We have heard the public asking for more trails and are inspired by the trail planning and development efforts across the state.”

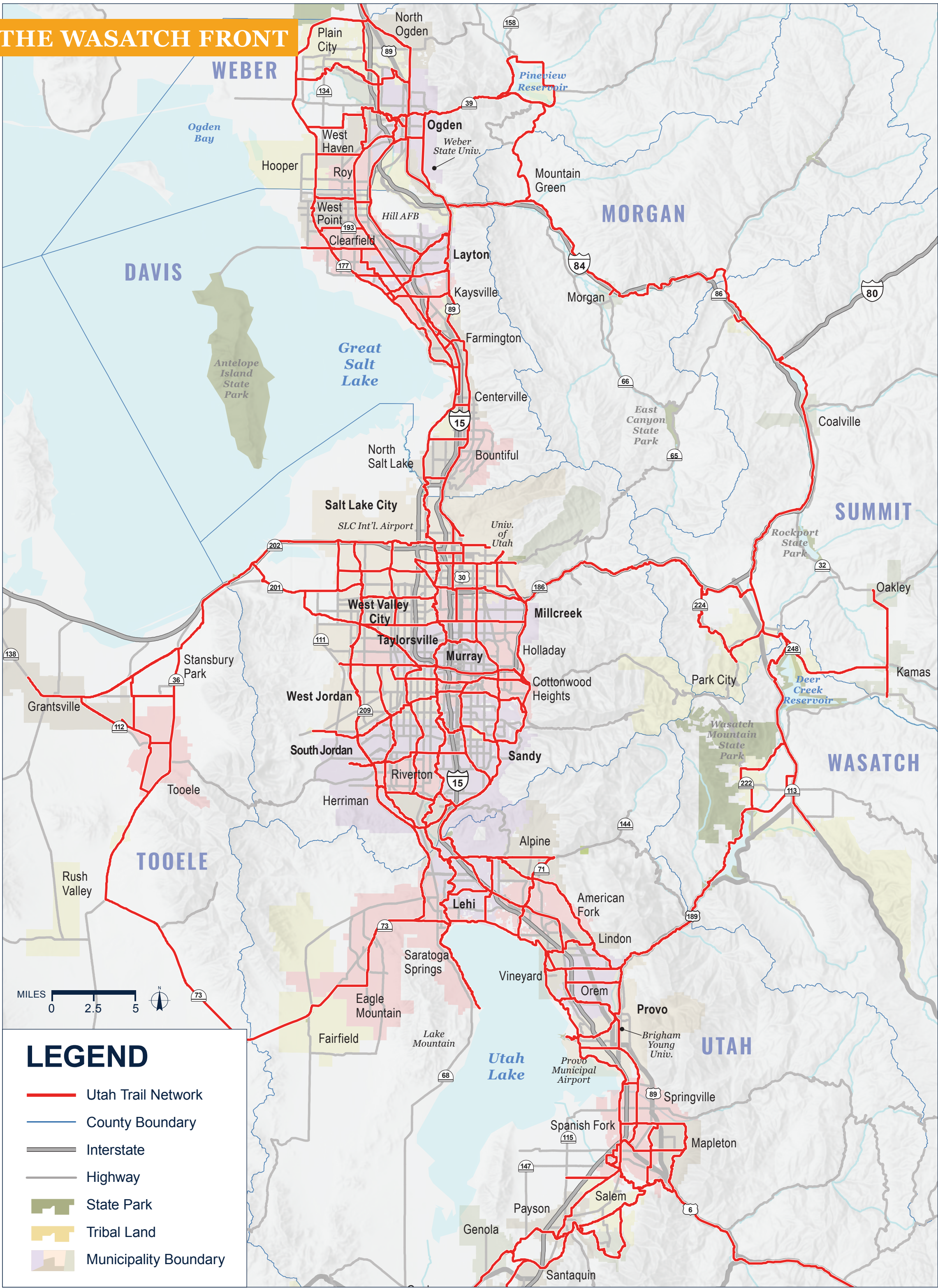
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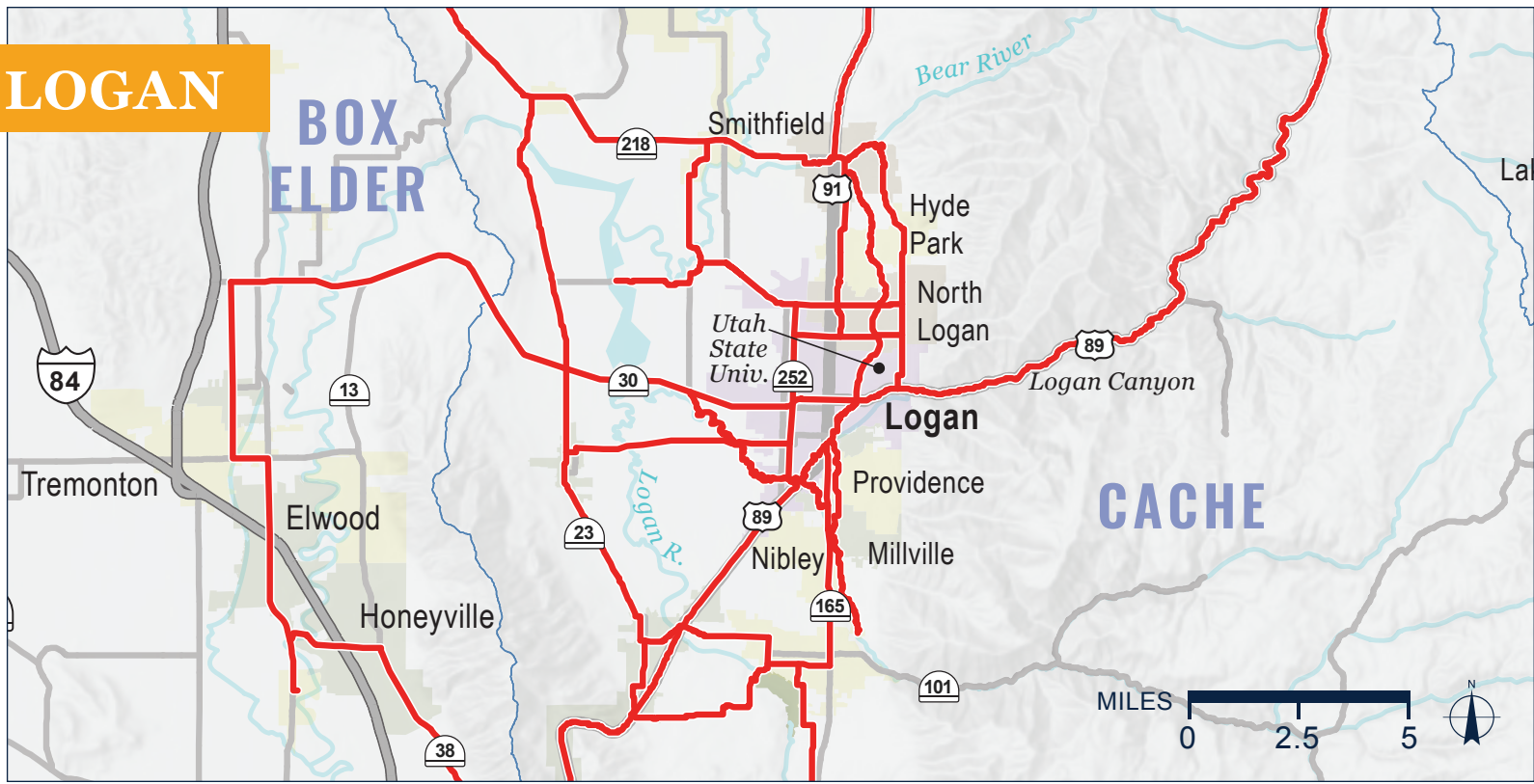
COMMUNITY BENEFITS with PAVED TRAILS:

- Better health and wellness
- Enhanced travel options
- Increased access to natural space
- Neighborhood connections to local businesses

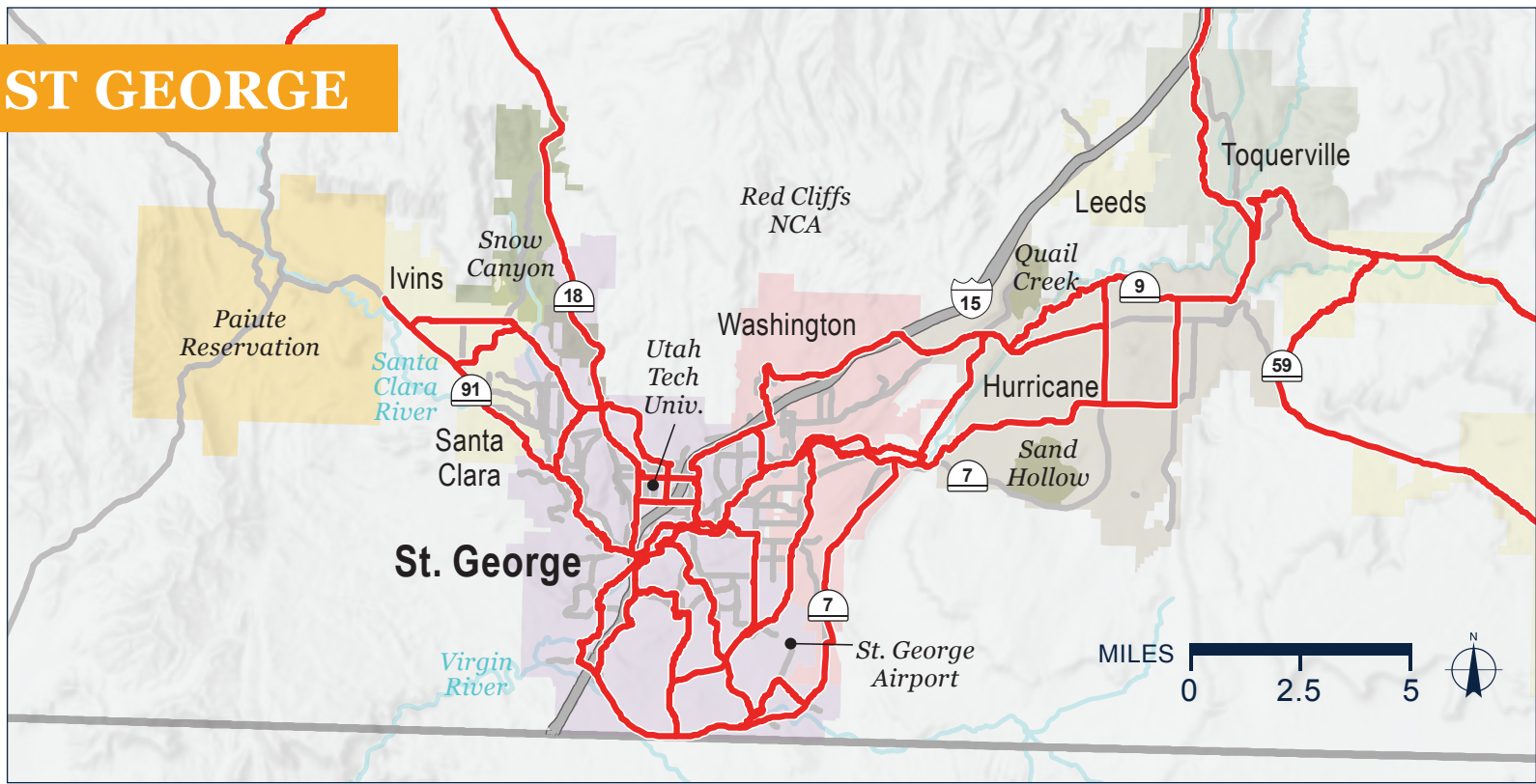
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THE UTAH TRAIL NETWORK and UDOT'S QUALITY OF LIFE FRAMEWORK

Known as the Quality of Life Framework, the four areas are Good Health, Strong Economy, Better Mobility and Connected Communities. These initiatives function across modes and are scalable to local, regional and statewide transportation decisions. The vision and Quality of Life Framework are intended to guide policy decisions and state investments in transportation.

The Utah Trail Network supports all four areas of the Quality of Life Framework and aims to create transportation choices for all Utahns.



Good Health

Encompasses the health of individuals and communities, recognizing the role of active transportation in mental and physical health as well as environmental conditions contributing to health such as air quality and water quality.



Strong Economy

Recognizes the vital role of transportation in business and commerce at state, regional, and local levels. Convenient and comfortable active transportation connections will support strong economies at each of these scales.



Better Mobility

Considers both the traditional transportation objective of reducing travel delay while also encouraging reduced reliance on single-occupancy vehicles and mitigating traffic congestion. It represents a shift in thinking, prioritizing the movement of people over just the movement of cars. The goal is to establish public transit, walking, and biking as viable and attractive transportation options for a greater number of Utahns.



Connected Communities

Points to the intersection of transportation and land use as well as the need for intermodal connections between walking, biking, transit and vehicle travel.

ABOUT THIS MAP

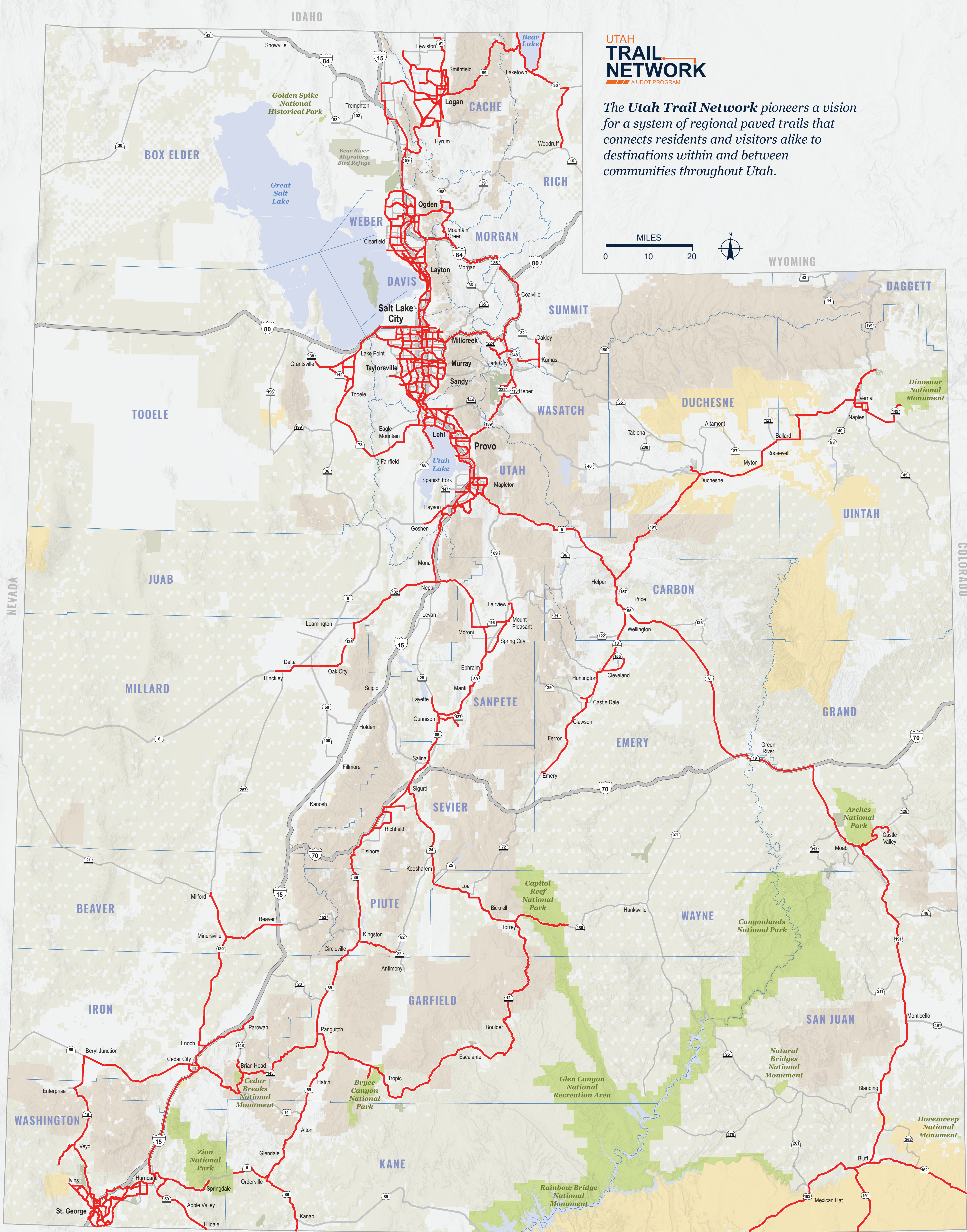
This Utah Trail Network Visionary Trail Map shows aspirational routes. All linework is subject to change as planning progresses and more data becomes available. This depiction is a foundational framework, expected to evolve throughout project lifecycles.



LEGEND

- Utah Trail Network
- County Boundary
- Interstate
- Highway
- Bureau of Land Management
- National Forest
- National Park/Monument/ Recreation Area
- State Park
- Tribal Land

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The Utah Trail Network pioneers a vision for a system of regional paved trails that connects residents and visitors alike to destinations within and between communities throughout Utah.

