## **Utah Transit Authority**

# Providing the Right Service for Your Community

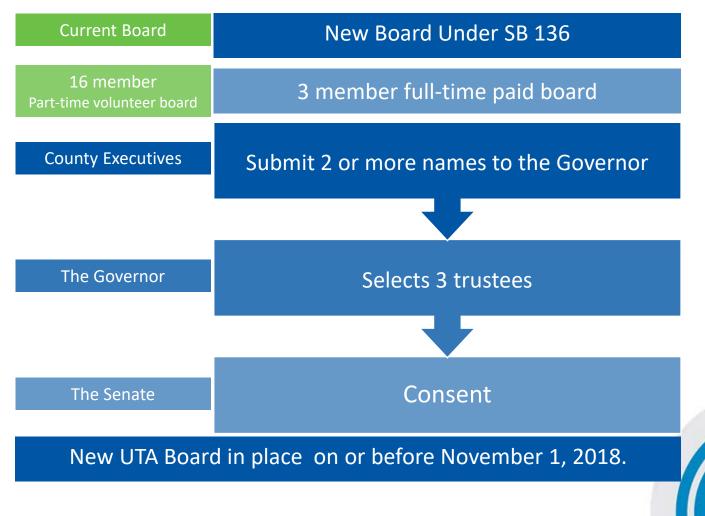
Salt Lake County Council September 18, 2018

Steve Meyer Laura Hanson



#### **Governance**

#### **Board of Trustees**





#### **Board Nominees Awaiting Senate Confirmation**



Carlton Christensen Salt Lake County



Beth Holbrook
Weber/Davis/Box Elder Counties

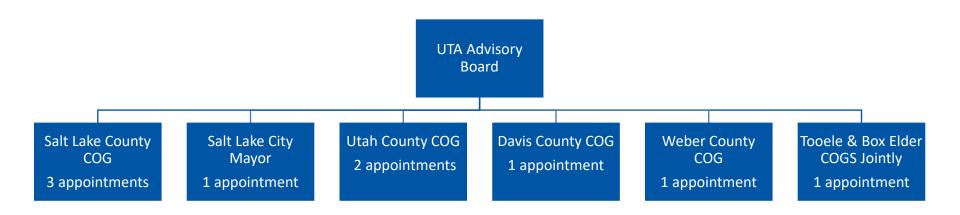


Appointment Pending Utah/Tootle Counties



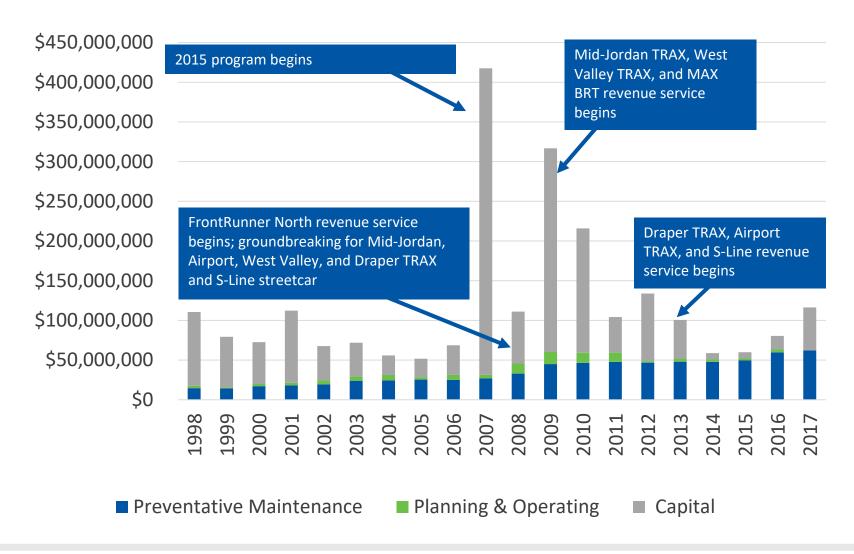
### Governance

#### **Nine-Person Local Advisory Board**



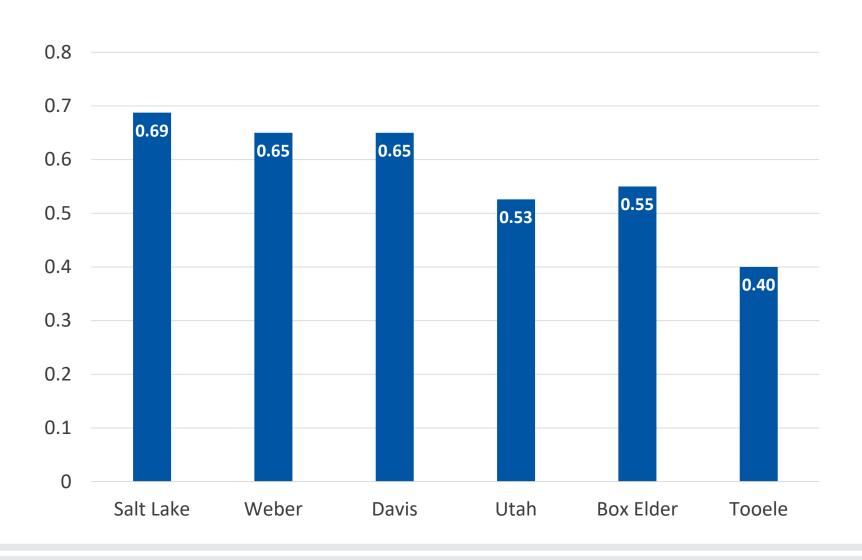


#### **Federal Funding Received by UTA**

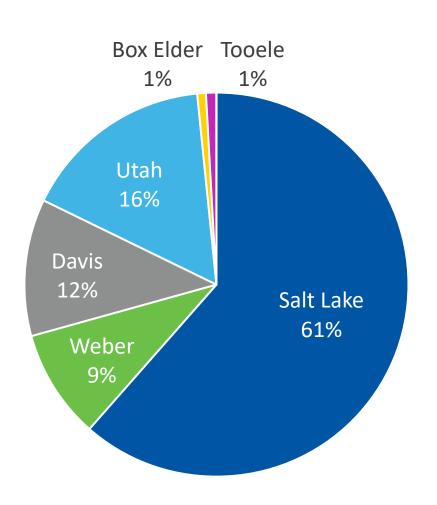


### **Sales Tax Rate Received by UTA**

(by county)



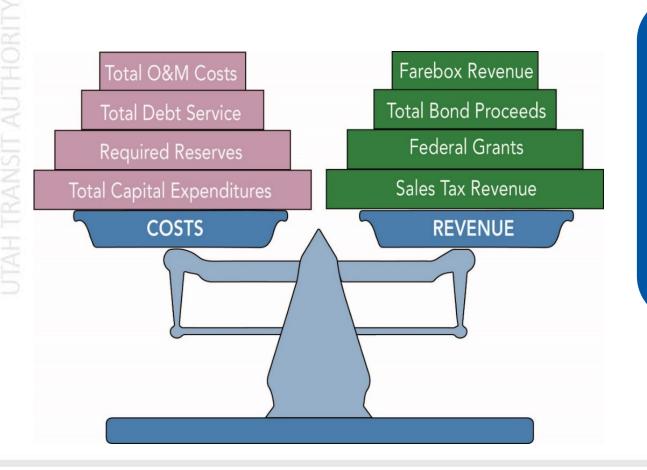
#### **2017 Transit Tax Distribution by County**





#### **Regional Transit Equity Analysis**

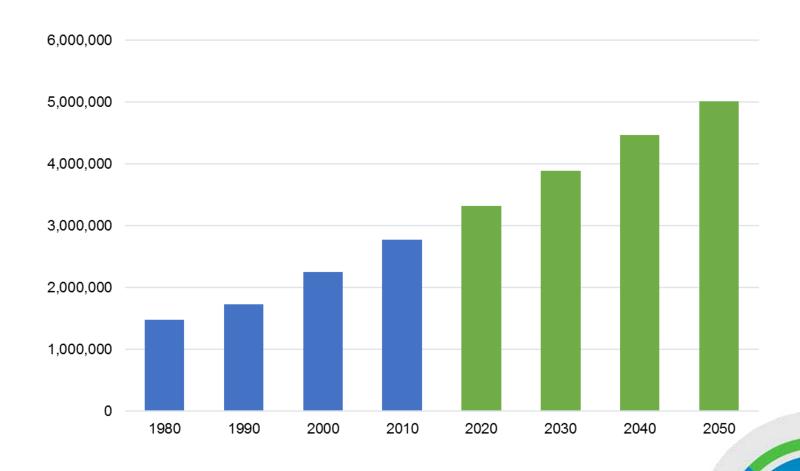
UTA's commitment is to provide balance between the revenues received from each county and the level of service and capital investment provided to each county.



- All transit modes are evaluated, including paratransit and vanpool services
- Analysis is independently verified by a third party accounting firm



#### **Utah's Population Growth**

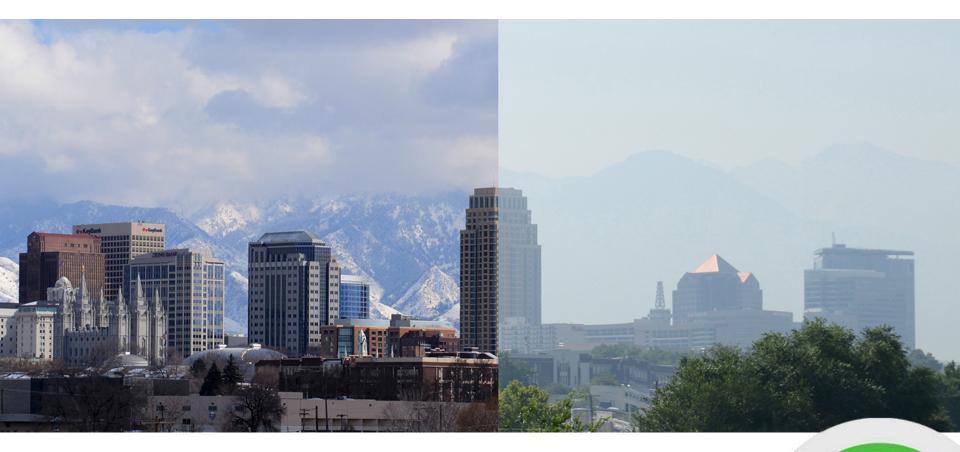




## **Another Bountiful Every Year!**



## **Challenges of Growth**





#### **Wasatch Choice 2050 Regional Vision**











and infrastructure







Sustainable environment, including water, agricultural, and other natural resources







#### **Access to Opportunity**

How many valuable destinations (jobs, education) can be reached in a reasonable period of time?



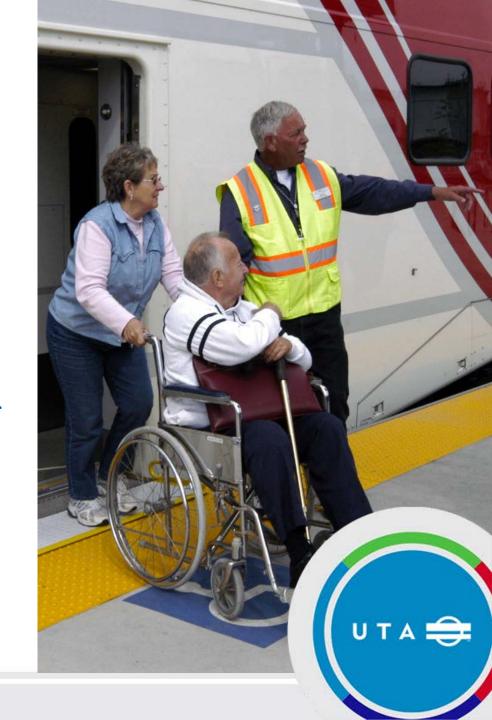
Freedom Analysis: 30 minute trip



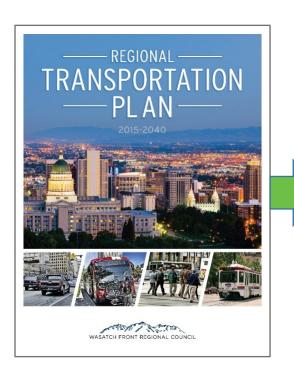
#### **The Role of Public Transit**

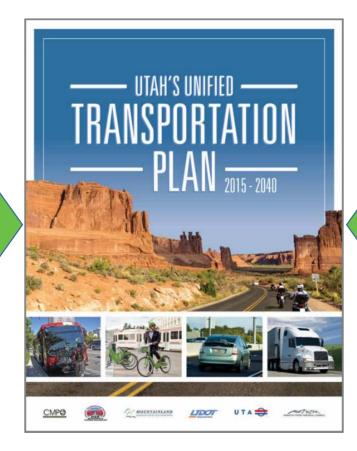
#### **Public Transit is a tool to:**

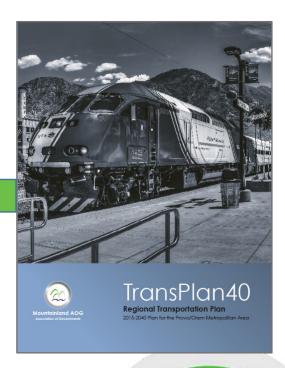
- Meet the challenges and demands of growth
- To help local governments achieve their unique goals
- Provide mobility choices for individuals
- Fill the gaps that private enterprise does not serve



#### **Collaborative Long-Range Planning**





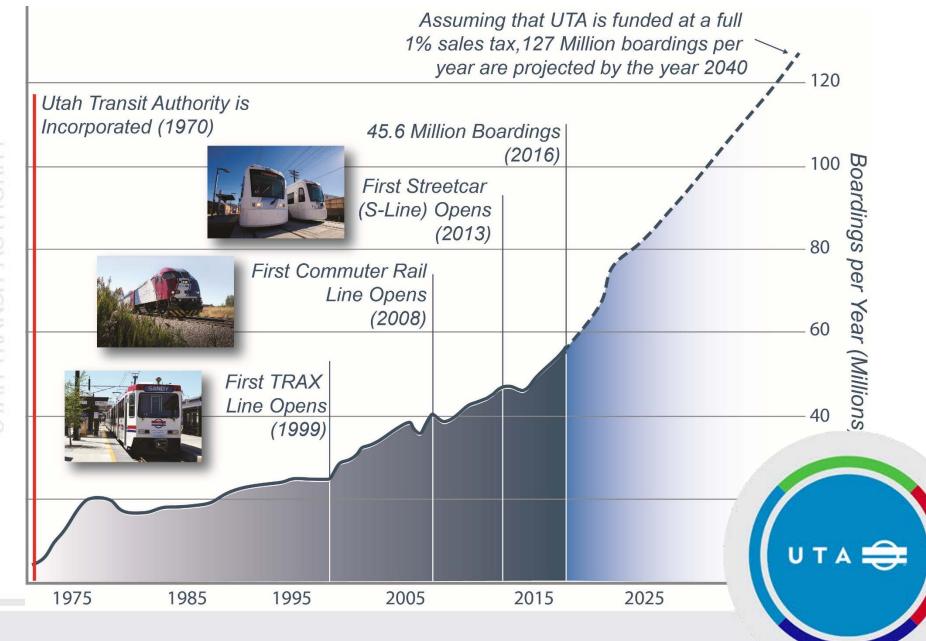




#### **UTA's Service Area**



### **UTA's Ridership Trends**



### **UTA's 2040 Strategic Plan**





## A Future of Integrated Mobility



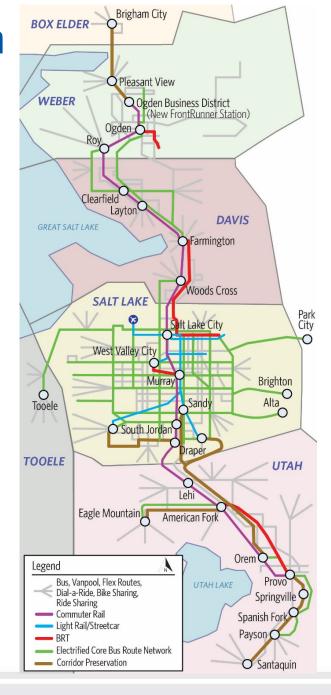
#### **UTA's Service Vision**



2018



#### **UTA's Service Vision**



2040

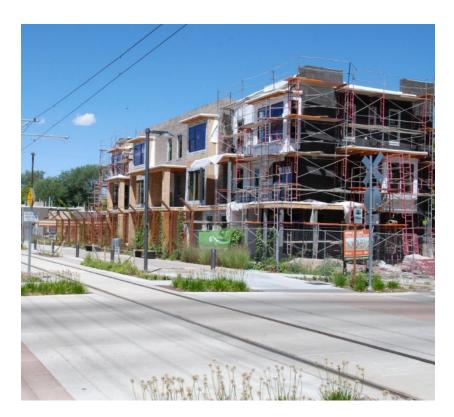






**Urban or Suburban?** 

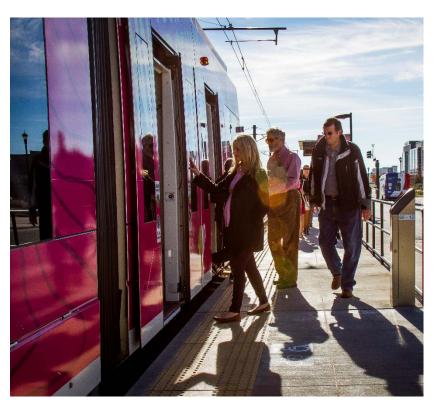






**Economic Development** or **Access to Opportunity?** 

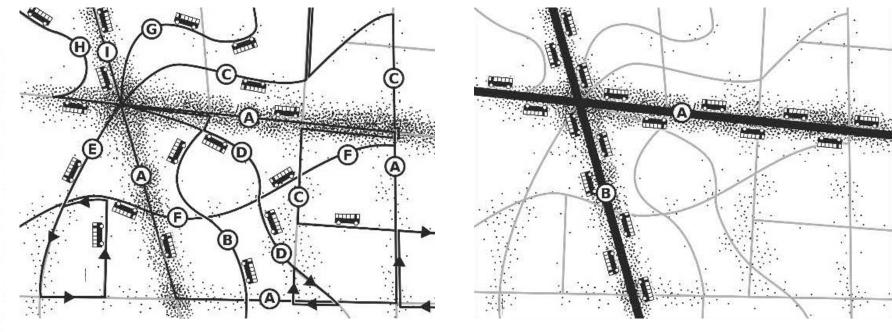






**Commuter Market or Local Circulation?** 





**Coverage or Frequency?** 



#### **Seven Demands of Effective Public Transit**

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"It takes me where I want to go."

"It takes me when I want to go."

"It's a good use of my time."

"It's a good use of my money."

"It respects me."

"I can trust it."

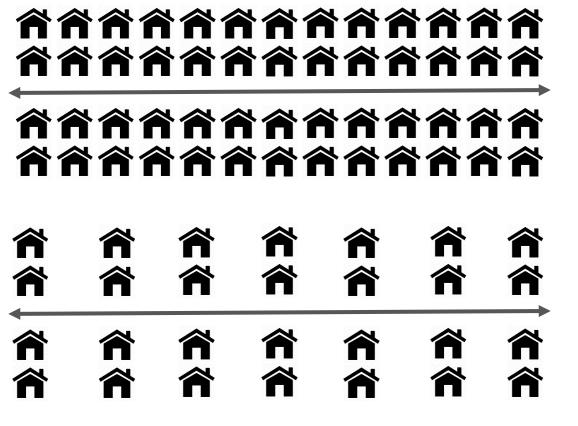
"It gives me freedom to change my plans."
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How many people are near transit?

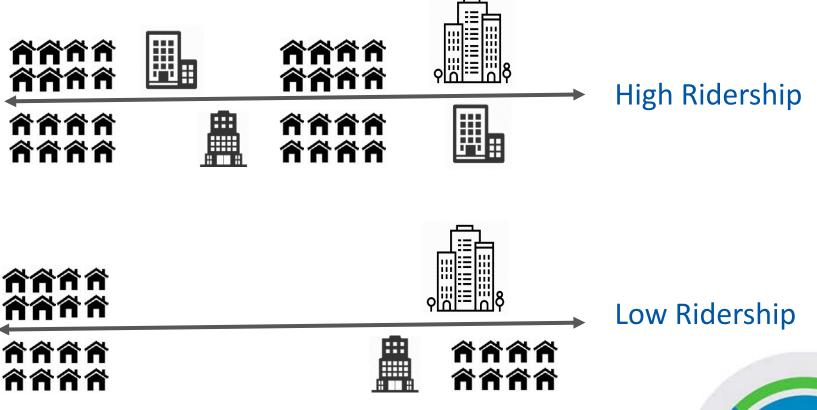


High Ridership

Low Ridership

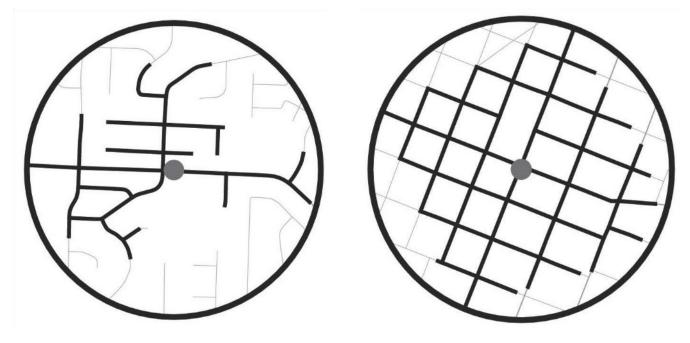


Are there long distances between destinations?





How easily can people get to transit stops?

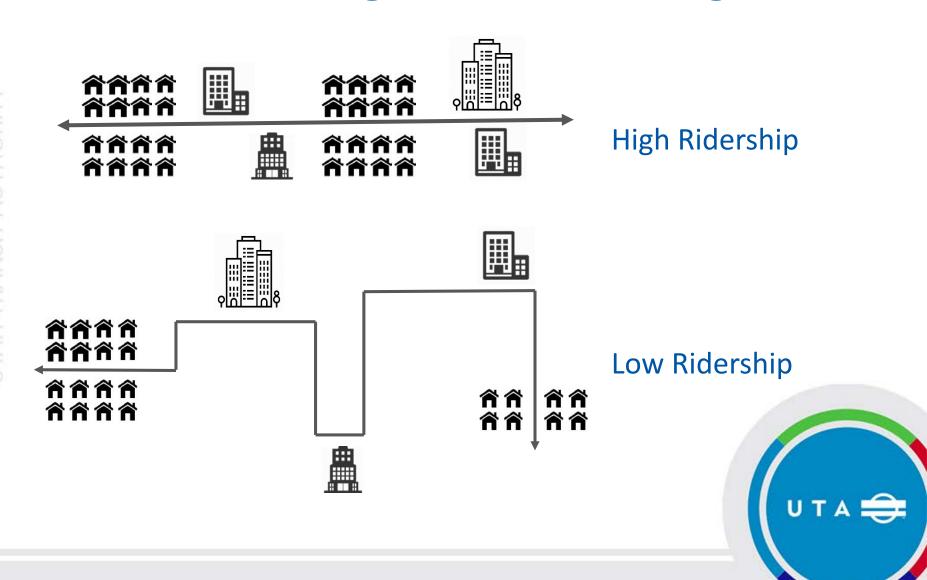


Low Ridership

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Can transit run in straight lines to attract through-riders?



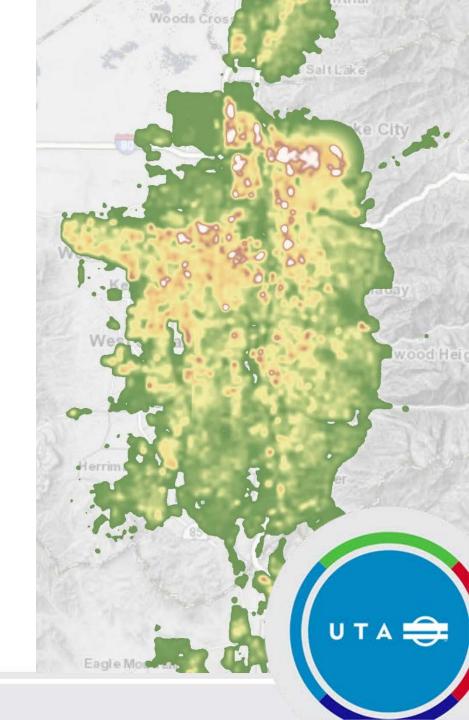
#### **Elements of a Successful Public Transit System**



#### **Five-Year Mobility Plan**

#### This rolling work plan will:

- Bridge the gap between RTP and annual service changes
- Apply innovative mobility solutions
- Respond to local goals and objectives
- Result in data-driven annual work plans



#### **Future of FrontRunner**

## This study recommends investments to:

- Increase frequency to 15minutes, double-track, and electrify
- Maximize operational efficiency and accommodate future growth
- Prioritize investments where they most beneficial
- Estimate costs of five investment scenarios



#### The Future of Rail

## The 2019 "Future of TRAX" will:

- Build on momentum of the 2017-2018 Future of FrontRunner study
- Help maximize operational efficiency and accommodate future growth
- Prioritize investments
- Plan for major regional changes,
   e.g. prison, Point of the Mountain



#### **Core Routes**

## This robust stakeholder engagement process will:

- Help communities articulate their goals for transit
- Distinguish between coverage and frequency services
- Guide future investments
- Result in right service for each community



## **Questions?**

