



3.0 MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

The Management Committee was formed to guide the direction of the study, to direct other committees in their work, and to give final approval of Phase II decisions. This committee was made up of senior leadership at the Utah Department of Transportation and Weber County, with assistance from the project consultant, Horrocks Engineers.

The members of the Management Committee were:

- Matthew Bell, Weber County Commissioner
- Holin Wilbanks, Weber County Public Affairs Director
- Rex Harris, UDOT Project Manager
- Kris Peterson, UDOT Region One Director

Advisors to the Management Committee were:

- Jim Horrocks, Horrocks Engineers Project Manager
- Tracy Conti, Horrocks Engineers Project Lead
- April Gordon, Horrocks Engineers Public Involvement Coordinator

The Management Committee met two times to discuss the project.

3.1 First Meeting - September 28, 2015

The first meeting of the Management Committee consisted of a brief review of the Phase I findings and a discussion of the purpose of Phase II. In Phase I, public opinion favored making minimal changes to the canyon. It is probable that any necessary capacity increasing improvements will need to be made through Trappers Loop and not SR-39. However, there is a desire to look at spot improvements to SR-39 for safety reasons. During Phase II, these spot improvements will be studied in more detail and cost estimates will be prepared.

Weber County officials agreed that the County does not want SR-39 to be four lanes in Ogden Canyon, but some passing lanes and other improvements would be desirable. The County desires more active transportation in Ogden Canyon with more provisions for people who want to walk and bike in the canyon.

The Management Committee set the following goals for Phase II:

- Increase safety in the canyon for all users
- Increase mobility for all user types in the canyon
 - Accommodate all modes of transportation
 - Study appropriate transit for the canyon
- Increase access for recreation users

3.2 Second Meeting - January 14, 2016

At this meeting, the committee was able to review the work of the three focus groups (Active/Transit, Roadway, and Environmental). They reviewed the recommendations of the Active/Transit and Roadway Focus Groups and provided comments. Some of the direction given by the Management Committee at this meeting included:

- Discussed impacts to the river vs. impacts to the mountain.
 - We need to define which of these impacts are worse and what the potential costs could be.
- Commissioner Bell doesn't think bikes should be on the roadway through the narrows.
- Need to work with the Army Corps of Engineers regarding any impacts to the river.
- Kris wanted to make sure emphasis is that this is a planning study and all actual improvements will be contingent on a future environmental study.
- The Public Open House should be held at the library in Huntsville or ATK so people can drive the Canyon.
- It is a priority to get the trail constructed down the canyon. Bikes on the road are important, but the trail will be more heavily used.
- UDOT will install minimum 2 foot shoulders wherever possible. The study does not need to ask whether people would like them or not.