

# Heber Valley Corridor



# ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

Wasatch County Council

November 13, 2024

# Travel Demand Model

- Traffic forecast based on local government-approved development
- 30% more traffic on North US-40 and 10% more on Main Street than previously assumed
- Old model did not include all approved development east of North US-40

# Purpose & Need

- ✓ The purpose of the Heber Valley Corridor Project is to improve regional and local mobility on US-40 from SR-32 to US-189 and provide opportunity for non-motorized transportation while allowing Heber City to meet their vision for the historical town center.

# Screening Process and Criteria

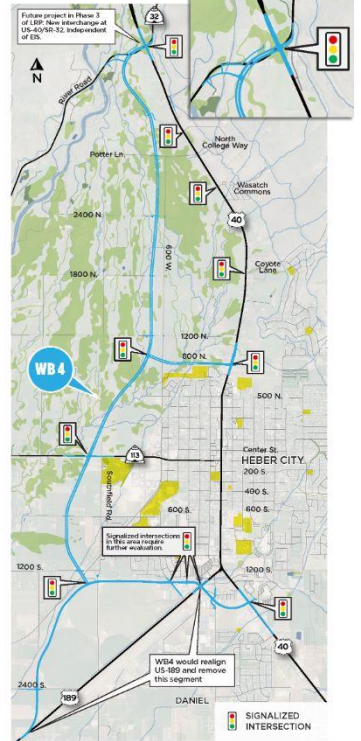
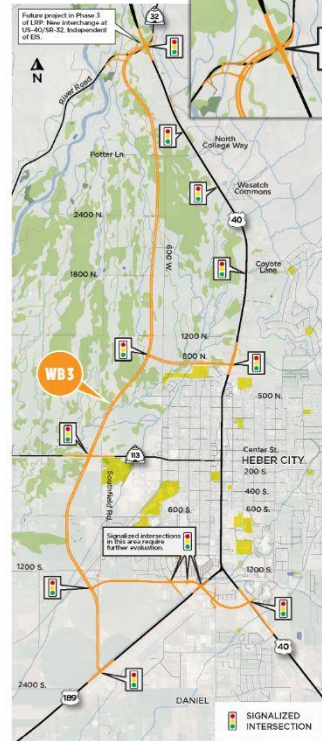
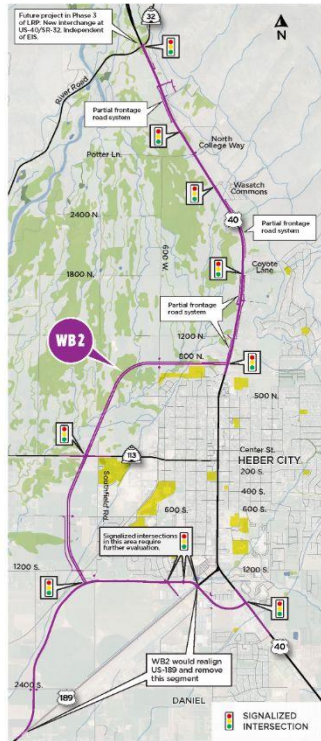
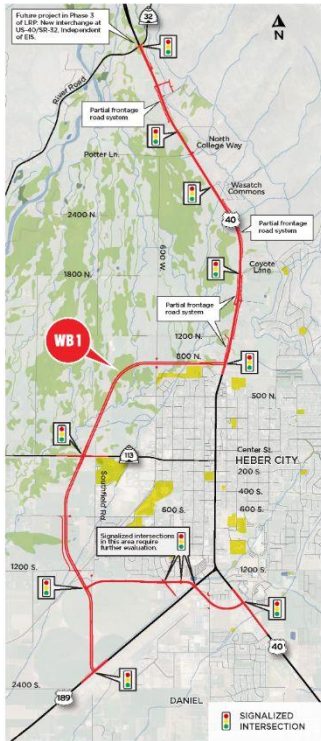
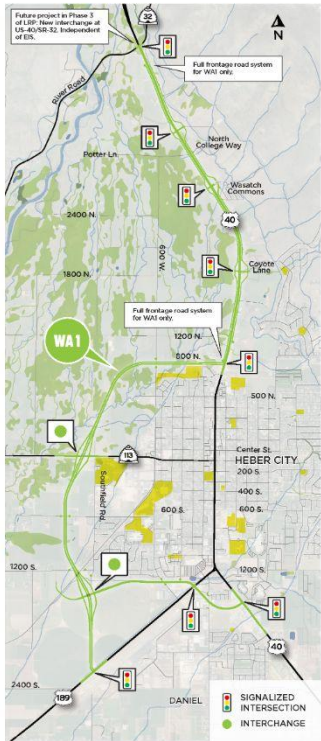
## Level 1 Screening Criteria - Purpose and Need

- Improve regional and local mobility on US-40 through 2050
- Provide opportunities for non-motorized transportation
- Allow Heber City to meet their vision for the historic town center

## Level 2 Screening Criteria - Impacts

- Waters of the U.S.
- Section 4(f) Resources
- Sewer Farm
- Right-of-way
- Cost

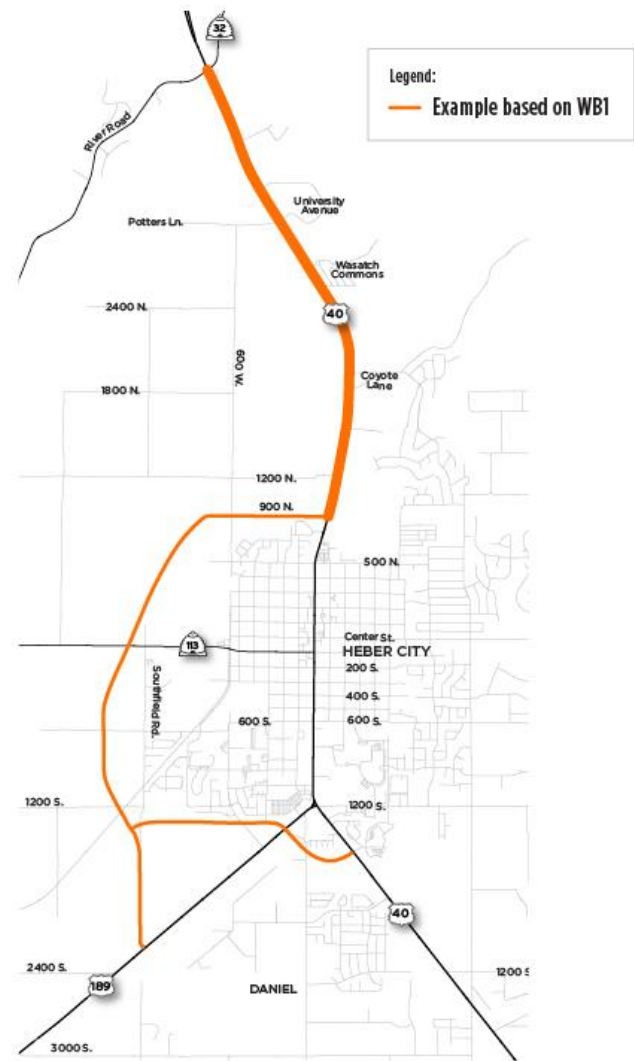
# Alternative Summary



## Alternative Refinements

**Determining what upgrades are necessary to meet 2050 traffic needs based on new model:**

- Evaluating widening North US-40 from 900 N to SR-32 to three lanes in each direction, adding turn lanes at intersections





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- Evaluating free-flow movements

*Free-flow means traffic does not need to stop. Instead of traffic signals, there would be a bridge or interchange allowing vehicles to cross without stopping.*

## Next Steps

- Refining alternatives to accommodate additional traffic
- Alternative screening
- Updating impact analysis in Draft EIS
- Ongoing coordination with NRCS and other stakeholders



# Process & Timeline



## ONGOING STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Virtual public meeting</li><li>• 30-day comment period</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• File Notice of Intent to begin NEPA process</li><li>• 45-day comment period</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Development alternative concepts</li><li>• 30-day comment period (concepts)</li><li>• 45-day comment period (screening)</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Revise and screen alternatives</li><li>• Publish revised screening report with refined alternatives</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Public hearing</li><li>• 45-day comment period</li></ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Respond to comments</li><li>• Revise EIS</li><li>• Publish decision</li><li>• Public engagement</li></ul> |
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MONTHLY COORDINATION WITH LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND REGULAR STAKEHOLDER WORKING GROUP MEETINGS



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*The environmental review, consultation, and other actions required by applicable Federal environmental laws for this project are being or have been carried-out by UDOT pursuant to 23 U.S.C. 327 and a Memorandum of Understanding dated May 26, 2022, and executed by FHWA and UDOT.*