

Federal Highway Administration
Every Day Counts
Innovation Initiative



Utah State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) Charter

The Utah State Department of Transportation (UDOT), Local Public Agencies, and Navajo Department of Transportation own the Utah highway transportation system. These transportation officials make key decisions on how to best deliver projects, as well as which techniques and technologies are needed to improve highway operations and safety. The Utah State Transportation Innovation Council (STIC) will bring together the decision makers and industry leaders that comprise the market forces and lead innovation in the Utah state transportation program.

Purpose

This Charter establishes the Utah STIC and defines its mission, vision, scope and responsibility, membership, and administration.

Vision

The Utah STIC will foster a collaborative culture for rapid implementation of meaningful innovations to efficiently deliver to the public a modern, high quality highway system.

Mission

Facilitate the rapid deployment of technology, tactics, and techniques among transportation program delivery professionals to ensure smart and efficient investments in the Utah State highway infrastructure.

Scope and Responsibility

The Utah STIC will identify and recommend new technologies, innovations, and strategies that respond to key issues and challenges that impact the state highway program. The Utah STIC will serve as a catalyst for the deployment of market ready technologies that have demonstrated their performance and effectiveness in real world applications.

- The Utah STIC will provide a forum for discussing and proposing solutions to transportation-related problems.
- The UTAH STIC will advise the State CEO on emerging technologies and innovations that will address these transportation-related problems.
- The UTAH STIC will ensure regular dialogue between FHWA, UDOT, Navajo DOT, Utah LTAP, USU, and private industry to discuss these issues.
- The UTAH STIC shall provide leadership to promote and support rapid deployment of selected technologies, tactics and techniques.

- The UTAH STIC will advise the State CEO on the implementation of the *Every Day Counts* Initiatives and related matters.
- The UTAH STIC will act as a liaison among the organizations represented by the membership, and provide a forum to discuss current and emerging issues in the transportation sector.
- The UTAH STIC will identify and mobilize champions within the State of Utah who are committed to the deployment of the chosen technologies, tactics, and techniques.
- The UTAH STIC will monitor the performance of the selected initiatives to ensure they become standard practice.
- The UTAH STIC will share information on these priority initiatives with key state stakeholders through meetings, workshops, and conferences.

Membership

The Utah STIC membership will be represented by the following organizations:

- John Njord, P.E., UDOT Executive Director
- Carlos Braceros, P.E., UDOT Deputy Director
- Randy Park, P.E., UDOT Project Development Director
- James Christian, P.E., FHWA Utah Division Administrator
- John Haynes, FHWA Research and Innovation Program Manager
- Paulson Chaco, Navajo DOT Division Director
- Nick Jones, Utah LTAP Director
- Mike Gladbach, P.E., Sandy City Engineer
- Tod Wadsworth, Vice President, Ralph L. Wadsworth Construction Co
- Engineering Consultant **[TBD]**
- Paul Barr, Ph.D., Utah Transportation Center Director

In addition, subject matter experts (SMEs) and other advisory members may be invited to attend STIC meetings as non-voting members with the concurrence of the State CEO and FHWA Division Administrator.

The Utah STIC will be co-chaired by the UDOT Executive Director and the FHWA Utah Division Administrator and composed of not more than twenty members. All members who are neither State or Federal employees will serve as Representatives and be appointed for a 2-year term, with each member eligible to be reappointed for a successive 2-year term.

Meetings

The UTAH STIC will meet regularly at a time and place set by the Co-Chairs. In addition, the Utah STIC may convene in an emergency session to address time-critical topics as deemed necessary by the Co-Chairs. It is currently expected that the UTAH STIC will meet quarterly.

Items presented for UTAH STIC review will be circulated electronically for members' review far enough in advance of the meeting to allow members time to review the documents in a meaningful way.

Subcommittees

The STIC may establish subordinate committees as it considers necessary for the implementation of the Every Day Counts initiatives.