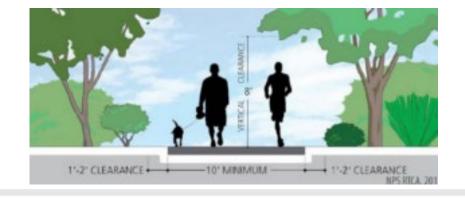
R2025-11-03 - Resolution Authorizing Execution of an Interlocal Agreement with Box Elder County and Willard City Corporation for the Historic Orchard Pathway Corridor



Historic Orchard Pathway Overview

- Passing through the iconic orchards and farmlands of southeastern Box Elder County, the Historic Orchard Pathway, or HOP, follows the former Utah Idaho Central Railway north from Weber County, linking South Willard, Willard, Perry and Brigham City.
 - This is a phase 1 project in Wasatch Front Regional Council's 2023 Regional Transportation Plan and is included in the Southeastern Box Elder County 2017 Active Transportation Plan.
- The Bear River Association of Governments (BRAG) obtained an Active Transportation Project Grant from the Utah Department of Transportation to fund the design and construction on a portion of this trail.





Utah Idaho Central Railroad Corridor

- The Utah Idaho Central (UIC) Railroad corridor is an abandoned right of way that formerly provided train service between Ogden and Idaho.
- The UIC runs directly adjacent to Union Pacific's main line for about 2.75 miles (north of the Box Elder County line).
- UTA purchased this portion of the UIC from UDOT as part of corridor preservation efforts for a future transit line.
 - The UIC is 66 feet wide.
 - The eastern 16 feet of the corridor will be licensed for the Historic Orchard Pathway.



Other Proposed and Existing

Historic Orchard Pathway Interlocal Agreement

- An Active Transportation Project Grant has been secured by BRAG in the amount of \$6,000,000 through UDOT.
 - UTA will license, by separate license agreement, the eastern sixteen feet of UTA Property for the in-kind matching portion of this grant, and Willard City will contribute an easement upon City Property for the in-kind matching portion of this grant.
- Willard City and Box Elder County are the principal contracting entities for the design & construction.
 - UTA shall be consulted on trail designs relating to that portion to be built upon the UTA Licensed Area, which designs shall be subject to UTA review and approval.



Historic Orchard Pathway Interlocal Agreement

- The City and County agree to maintain all trail improvements within each of their respective jurisdictions in a good and workmanlike manner.
- The City and County will also be responsible for performing enforcement and policing duties.

