



**CENTRAL  
WASATCH  
COMMISSION**

Central Wasatch  
Commission  
Sandy City Council  
Presentation

March 2, 2021





# Member Jurisdictions

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### Ski Resorts

**Mike Maughan** – President and GM, Alta Ski Area

**Steve Issowits** -- Director of Resort Planning,  
Solitude Mountain Resort and Deer Valley

**Randy Doyle** – General Manager, Brighton Ski  
Resort

**Dave Fields** – President and GM, Snowbird Ski  
Resort

**Nathan Rafferty** – President & CEO, Ski Utah

### Conservation Interests

**Carl Fisher** – Executive Director, Save Our Canyons

**Pat Shea** -- Friends of Alta

**Megan Nelson** – External Affairs Associate, The  
Nature Conservancy

**Carolyn Wawra** – Executive Director, Recycle Utah

### Recreation Interests

**Nate Furman** – Salt Lake Climbers Alliance

**John Knoblock** – Mt Olympus Community Council  
Member, Chair, Trails Utah

**Sarah Bennett** – Executive Director, Trails Utah

**Tom Diegel** – Board Member, Wasatch Backcountry  
Alliance

### Community Councils and Homeowner Associations

**Kurt Hegmann** – Mill D Cabin Owners Association

**Barbara Cameron** – Chair, Big Cottonwood Community Council  
Chair, Brighton Resident

**Del Draper** – President, Cecret Lake Cabin Owners Association

**Michael Braun** – District 2 Representative, Granite Community  
Council

**Wayne Crawford** – President, Cardiff Canyon Owners Association

**Don Despain** – General Manager, Big Cottonwood Canyon  
Improvement District

**Kirk Nichols** – President, USFS Evergreen HOA, Professor of  
Outdoor Recreation, University of Utah

### Private Citizens

**Michael Marker** – Little Cottonwood Canyon Resident

**Paul Diegel** – Salt Lake City Resident

**Troy Morgan** – Brighton Resident

**Will McCarvill** – Salt Lake City Resident

**Brian Hutchinson** – Salt Lake City Resident

**Ed Marshall** – Log Haven Restaurant

**Jan Striefel** – Stakeholders Council Vice-Chair; League of Women  
Voter of Salt Lake

**Kelly Bricker** -- Stakeholders Council Chair; Parks, Recreation, &  
Tourism, University of Utah

**Annalee Munsey** – Assistant GM, Metropolitan Water District of  
Salt Lake and Sandy

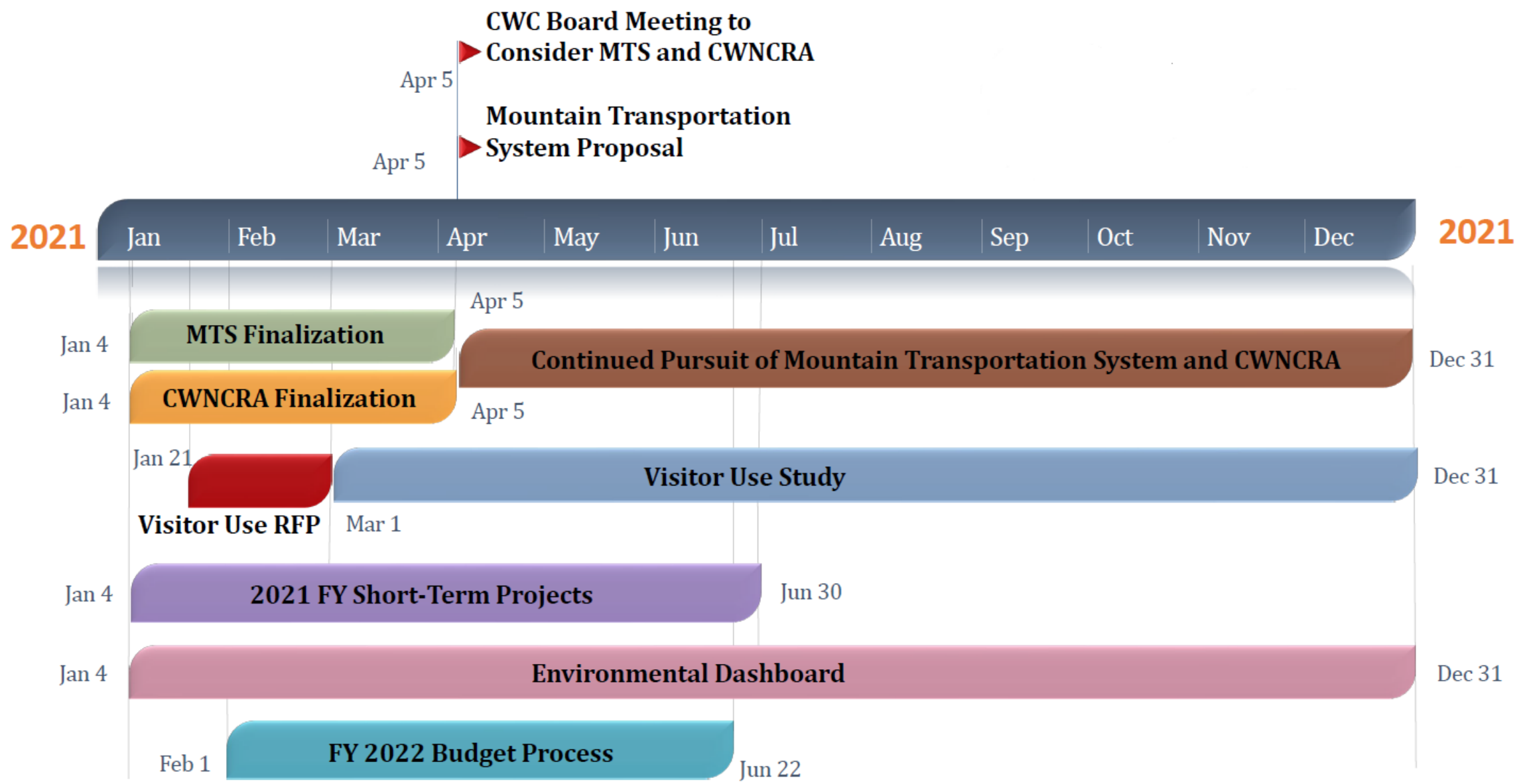
# CWC Stakeholders

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# Central Wasatch Commission Benefit to Sandy City

- Sandy City 2020/2021 FY contribution: \$90,000
- Sandy City 2019/2020 FY contribution: \$100,000
- Sandy City owns water and its water supply largely comes from the Central Wasatch Mountains. The Central Wasatch Commission offers a forum for bringing all the jurisdictions together to coordinate watershed for Sandy City.
- Sandy City is at the mouth of Little Cottonwood Canyon and receives all the benefits and impacts from that adjacent relationship. The many jurisdictions are coordinated through the forum of the Central Wasatch Commission.
- Several of the specific projects undertaken by the Central Wasatch Commission affect the Sandy City users in the Central Wasatch Mountains; e.g., trails and restroom improvements, bus service improvements, Mountain Transportation System solutions, etc.
- Traffic congestion arising from Canyon transportation issues impacts Sandy residents as they travel about their cities, even for destinations unrelated to the resorts.
- Canyon transportation issues threaten to impact the economies of Sandy if people have trouble traveling to and from Sandy.



# Mountain Transportation

Over the course of 2020 and the first half of 2021, the Central Wasatch Commission aims to arrive at a proposed comprehensive year-round transportation system that includes the Salt Lake Valley, Big and Little Cottonwood Canyons, Parleys Canyon, and connections to the Wasatch Back.

Stakeholders and the public have been and are invited to engage at every juncture during this process.





photo by Andy Hyer

### WINTER 2020

Initial Scoping Process & Public Comment Period



### SPRING 2020

Comment Report Approved



### SUMMER 2020

Alternative Plans & Finalize Reports



### FALL 2020

Release MTS Alternatives & Public Comment Period Begins



photo by Jake Nackos



photo by Faith Colonna

### SEPTEMBER 18, 2020

MTS Expert Panel



### NOVEMBER 13, 14, 2020

MTS Summit



### JAN-APR 2021

CWC Board will consider and recommend an MTS



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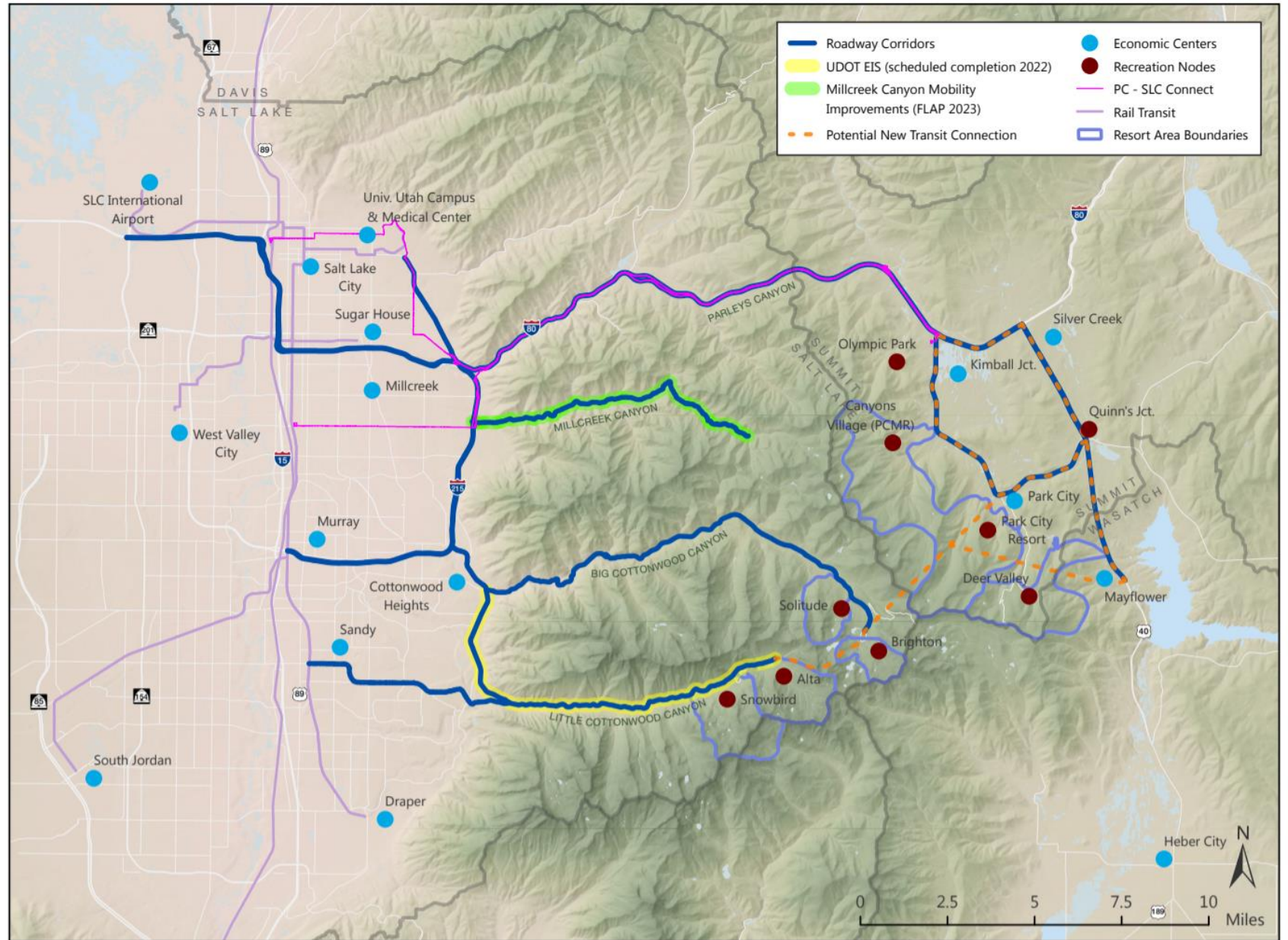
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# Mountain Transportation System Project Timeline



# Central Wasatch Mountain Transportation System Initiative (Updated 3/26/2020)

## CWC Mountain Transportation System Initiative Map



- Following its December 2020 meeting, the Central Wasatch Commission decided to build upon the recommendations provided by CWC staff and delve more finely into each of the MTS alternatives.
- That looked like “Learning Sessions,” during which Commissioners met publicly to deliberate over bus, rail, and aerial transportation modes for the project area.
- The goal is to arrive at a consensus recommendation for a regional MTS at the April 5, 2021 board meeting.

## MTS Next Steps

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# Thank you. Questions?

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