



# THE STATE OF UTAH BROADBAND PROJECT

## Utah Broadband Advisory Council

Tuesday, July 19, 2011

8:00-10:00 a.m.

Utah State Capitol, Capitol Board Room

### Attendees:

Spencer Eccles, Governor's Office of Economic Development  
Tara Thue, Governor's Office of Economic Development  
Kelleigh Cole, Governor's Office of Economic Development  
Chris Conabee, Governor's Office of Economic Development  
Greg Slater, Governor's Office of Economic Development  
John Harvey, Public Service Commission  
Bert Granberg, Automated Geographic Reference Center  
Jessie Pechmann, Automated Geographic Reference Center  
Christy Heaton, Automated Geographic Reference Center  
Juliette Tennert, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget  
Jacob Belk, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget  
Rep. Ryan Wilcox, Utah State Legislature  
Stephen Fletcher, Department of Technology Services  
Lynn Yocom, Utah Department of Transportation  
Craig Nielson, Utah State Library

Shirlee Silversmith, Utah Division of Indian Affairs  
Deb LaMarche, Utah Telehealth  
Jim Stewart, Utah Education Network  
Jeff Egly, Utah Education Network  
Dennis Sampson, Utah Education Network  
Bill Harry, Valley Emergency Communications Center  
Lincoln Shurtz, Utah League of Cities and Towns  
Justin Stewart, Utah League of Cities and Towns  
Sharon Bertelsen, Ballard Spahr  
Jeff Edwards, EDCUtah  
Roger Tew, UTOPIA  
Alex Jensen, UTOPIA  
Jamie Brotherton, UTOPIA  
Gary Crane, Layton City  
Steve Corbato, University of Utah

### Summary:

The Council approved the revised goals and objectives discussed at the June 9 meeting. Steve Corbató reported on the June 17 fiber cut in Sardine Canyon and the need to improve redundancy in Cache Valley specifically, and across the entire state. Bill Harry discussed the need for transitioning the current voice-based emergency services system to an IP-based system. Jeff Edwards spoke to the Council about the link between broadband availability and economic development, particularly in recruiting businesses to the state. Additional issues addressed by Council members that were not mentioned in the first meeting and may be discussed in further detail are:

- The Council did not make a decision on possible updates to S.B. 29 but Tara Thue will take recommendations from Council members and the issue may be addressed at future meetings, as needed
- Making recommendations for transitioning the current voice-based 9-1-1 system to an IP-based system that is standardized so the various safety networks can communicate and coordinate (this will be an issue of both connectivity and standardizing software and will require sustainable funding)
- Deciding the Council's involvement in the debate over proposed restrictions on using municipal redevelopment funds for broadband deployment
- Making recommendations on how to more effectively provide broadband availability data for business services
- Deciding provider involvement in Advisory Council meetings based on findings from the upcoming Broadband Provider Roundtable
- Suggesting topics for the Broadband Provider Roundtable
- Deciding the Council's involvement in supporting proposed FCC recommendations