

# News Release

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## **PUBLIC INVITED TO OPEN HOUSE MAY 22, 2008 FOR PROVO WESTSIDE CONNECTOR**

PROVO, UTAH – Provo City officials invite their citizens to attend a Public Open House to learn about a potential new roadway between the Provo City Municipal Airport and I-15. Several initial alternatives have been developed for the public to review.

The Open House will be held Thursday, May 22, 2008, from 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. at Amelia Earhart Elementary (2585 West 200 South, Provo, Utah). Members of the public can come to the open house at any time during meeting hours to learn about the study, submit comments regarding the initial alternatives, identify issues or concerns for the project team to consider, and talk with Provo Westside Connector Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) project representatives.

Provo City recognized the need to address current and projected transportation and community needs between the Provo City Municipal Airport and I-15. Provo City is preparing an EIS to examine these issues, in cooperation with the Utah Department of Transportation (UDOT) and the Federal Highway Administration (FHWA). The EIS study will evaluate the need for a potential new roadway, develop and screen alternatives, and evaluate the environmental impacts.

Provo community representatives – in conjunction with the project team, federal and state agencies, and local government – developed more than 30 potential alternatives to address the transportation and community needs within the study area. The initial set of alternatives went through a “screening” process to narrow down the alternatives, based on the needs of the project area.

The narrowed down set of potential alternatives are available for public review at the Public Open House May 22. Issues and concerns identified by the community will be addressed in further screening performed by the project team. A refined set of alternatives will be carried forward for detailed study in the Draft EIS. The EIS project team will coordinate with the public, agencies, and other stakeholders as part of the environmental process.

For those who cannot attend the May 22 Public Open House, comments can be submitted at any time throughout the EIS process using any of the following methods:

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