



Uintah City News

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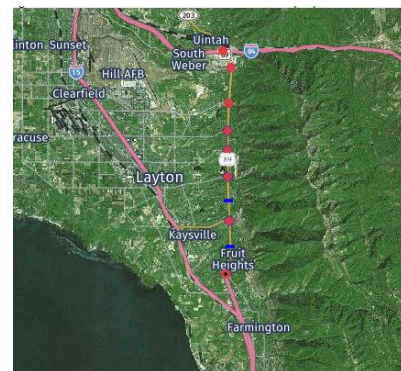
From the Mayor's Desk

The Utah Department of Transportation is proposing to convert U.S. 89 into a full freeway in Davis County to connect Interstates 15 and 84.

That preferred alternative in a new draft environmental study (<http://www.udot.utah.gov/us89/draft-study/>) recently released is designed to relieve severe and worsening congestion on the 10-mile corridor, as well as to improve safety and even speed up east-west traffic that crosses it.

Mike Romero, project director for UDOT, UDOT is proposing to convert U.S. 89 into a freeway between Shepard Lane in Farmington and I-84 in South Weber. He notes U.S. 89 already essentially is a freeway between Shepard Lane and I-15.

U.S. 89 would be widened from a four-lane arterial highway into a six-lane freeway. All traffic-signal intersections would be converted into either freeway interchanges, or grade-separated crossings. The \$275 million project is penciled in to begin in the spring of 2019 and finish in the fall of 2021.



Romero stresses that no decisions have been finalized, and the proposal is the preferred alternative in an environmental study released recently. As you may have already seen in the mail, UDOT is accepting public comment through Sept. 25 at utdot.utah.gov/us89, by email at us89@utah.gov or by phoning 888-752-US89. The agency also scheduled a public hearing on Sept. 7 from 4:30 to 7 p.m. at the Davis Conference Center, 800 Heritage Park Boulevard in Layton.

Lawrence Flitton



Please Welcome Kristi

As the newest member of your city council, I would like to take a moment to introduce myself. My name is Kristi Bell. I was born and raised in the town of Fairview, Utah and have deeply ingrained small-town values. I graduated from North Sanpete High School and Utah State University receiving bachelor's degrees in Political Science and Sociology.

After college, I met my husband Matt and settled into the amazing city of Uintah, which he has called home for most of his life. Matt and I are the parents to two children. We are glad to be able to raise them in a strong community with the same small-town values I enjoyed as a child. We love living in Utah and regularly enjoy being in the outdoors.

I worked for the Division of Child and Family Services as a social worker where I gained valuable insight into available community resources and the struggles families deal with. As a strong advocate for mental health awareness, community values, and access to resources, I hope to benefit the city of Uintah.

I appreciate your vote of confidence and trust you have placed in me. I am so grateful for my family, friends, citizens of Uintah and for your support and faith. I'm honored to have this opportunity to work for you and help your voices be heard.

- Kristi Bell

From the Desk of Chief Pope



Winter is in the air, and although it has been a mild one so far, there are still a couple items of information we would like to share; CO detectors, and safe winter driving. With the colder temps, we use our heaters and space heaters. Both of which, can be a CO (Carbon Monoxide) danger. Please make sure all of your equipment is checked and you have a working CO detector in your house as well. Also, although there has not been a lot of snow, when there has been some it seems some of the basic rules of the road concerning winter driving are forgotten. Most importantly is

slow down. The two minutes you think you may save, may cost you more than just time. Just stay safe and leave a little early in bad weather.

As always, December was another high time for home fires, and as a reminder, the department is still partnering with the American Red Cross in providing **FREE** Smoke Detectors (up to three) with installation to all Uintah residents. This campaign serves as a reminder that each home should have the proper amount of smoke detectors to keep your home safe. This would include outside bedrooms and in the kitchen.



December brought the California Wildfires! Some of our own firefighters were deployed down to the Thomas Fire, California's biggest fire in history. They spent two weeks in California doing 24-hour shifts. (24 on and 24 off) They witnessed so much devastation and were there when the California firefighter lost his life. Thankfully they made it home safely just a couple of days prior to Christmas to be with their families.

As in every year the Uintah City Department assisted two families in need this Christmas. Each year, the firefighters pool their own money together in order to help a family who was less fortunate. Their generosity, along with Smith's on 42nd Street, who donated an entire Christmas dinner to each family, we were able to assist two families this year. Once again, Santa was able to take time out of his busy schedule to help us spread some Christmas cheer.

There is still time to help!!! In conjunction with the program Operation Cover-Up, Uintah City Fire Station is a drop off point for gently used cold weather items you do not need any longer. You can drop off any items to the station (Monday –Friday 6pm-9pm and Saturday and Sunday from 9am – 9pm) and they will be donated to the homeless population in our community. Items needed are; blankets, coats, hats and gloves. Any gently used items will be appreciated. Contact PIO Kirsten Stuart 775-741-7906 if you need further information.

As another year winds down, all of us at the fire department would like to thank all of you for your support! Happy New Year to all of you and here is to a safe and prosperous New Year.



Do you have any comments, questions, concerns or information you would like to share? Feel free to contact Chief William Pope at (801) 644-2508 or via email wpope@uintahfd.org. If you just want to stop by to meet our firefighters, we welcome our Uintah Residents. Don't forget to follow us on social media On Facebook (facebook.com/Uintah.Fire.Dept), our website (www.uintahfd.org) and on Twitter at @UFD91

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