

Economy System Group Meeting #7 Summary September 23, 2014

Other System Groups' Idealized System

Layne Jones reviewed the draft Idealized Systems from the other three groups. Group expressed concern about where proposed Wilderness is shown on private lands, and that Mountain Accord is a transportation process that hasn't talked about transportation.

Presentations/Discussions

- **Transportation Modes (Newell Jensen)** Transit modes 101, and associated costs, travel times of options in the project area and the transit and transportation options being considered
- **Idealized Economy System (Buck Swaney)** Presented a draft system consolidating all of the feedback from System Group members from the August System Meeting. Highlighted major themes, points of conflict, and common elements.
- **Comments on the Ideal System Map (Round-Robin: All System Group Members)**
 - 1) **General/Process Comments:** Need maps/metrics in advance to study before meetings. Rely on University for info/data.
 - 2) **Overall Recommendations:** Like current map and progress – keep focus on QofL (X2). Want a “Bi-Directional Transit Loop” – year round value (X7). Keep/remove development character zones on maps (both opinions expressed). Preserve backcountry – but careful about Wilderness designation. Focus development in valleys (X3). Need more rec stops in Wasatch Canyons. Resolve conflict between preservation/ski expansion areas. Explain or re-name “Investment/Commerce Corridor” between Alta/PC to clarify that we move people/money on the corridor, but it doesn't connote land development. Understand how this investment would change patterns in the SL valley, and what fiscal impacts/opportunities will be.
 - 3) **LCC/BCC:** Improve transp (employees/visitors) (X3). Improve Safety/Avalanche. Improve efficiency, link to valley. Create economic base at Town of Alta. Get people out of cars and solve parking (X4). Use Aerial Tram (not train) (X3).
 - 4) **Park City/Summit County Considerations:** Want a direct transit route from airport to Kimball Jct. (X3). Need an option to be the first stop and not the last. Use train to PC. Look at US40/I80 as a more intense use node. Opposition to Guardsman Road as a year-round transportation and commerce connection option.
 - 5) **One Wasatch:** Several indicate they like/want it – good for marketing and tourism growth (X5). Don't like or too vague and need a forum (X3)

Action Items/Wrap Up:

- Schedule an interim system group meeting